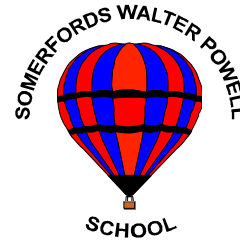


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### BIRTHDAYS



Mary, Max, Arwen



### RAINBOWS



Sonny, Jacob, Ruby H, Rebecca, Tanwen, Sam W  
Sienna, Bertie, Fin, Fred, Bobby, Laurie  
Hugo, Stanley, Ella B, Arwen, Maxwell  
Nola, Thomas, Reuben, Liam



### STAR OF THE WEEK

Isla



### WRITERS OF THE WEEK



Josh, Hugo, Emme

#### 1. WELCOME

This week we have welcomed Reuben (Year 6), Laurie (Year 3) and Sienna (Year 1) to Somersfords' Walter Powell. They have settled in very well and we look forward to getting to know them and their family.

#### 2. REMEMBRANCE DAY

This morning, we all walked to the War Memorial in Great Somerford for 11am.

It was great that a few parents and members of the community joined us in our act of remembrance.

Josh the eldest child in the school laid a poppy wreath on behalf of the school and the Key stage 1 children laid their handmade poppies in the memorial garden.

#### 3. RAGS 2 RICHES COLLECTION - THANK YOU

Thank you for all the many bags that were donated from both around the village and also yourselves. They weighed a total of 355.20kg that has resulted in £142.08 to be split equally between SHASA and Pre-school.



#### 4. OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - SHOEBOX APPEAL

We have arranged a collection of the Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes from school on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November. If you would like to support this appeal please contact the school office for the appropriate leaflet and shoebox labels. Operation Christmas Child sends shoe boxes filled with small gifts to children in parts of the world that are affected by war and famine. A few years ago, SHASA purchased some shoe boxes from OCC to save parents from raiding Clarks we still have a limited supply of these at school. If you would like one, please contact Miss Johns or Mrs Law in the school office.

**The deadline to bring in a filled shoebox is next Monday 14th November.**

For more information see <http://www.samartitans-purse.org.uk>.

We've always had an incredible response to this event, with the majority of children bringing in a box.



**CHILDREN IN NEED 2016**

The school council have been busy organising a fundraising day for Children in Need 2016.

Next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November we would like the children to come to school in something 'Spotty' for a 'Spotacular' Day! During the day the children will also take part in a 'Spotty' game with prizes for one person from each class.

We would suggest a £1.00 donation to the charity.

6. **ORIENTEERING FESTIVAL - YEARS 1 & 2**

On Tuesday afternoon our Year 1 and 2 children together with 3 children from Seagry took part in an Orienteering Festival in Sutton Benger.

The children worked well in their teams and encouraged each other during the afternoon, they all stayed focussed and displayed excellent manners and behaviour. It is a great opportunity for our children to use their problem solving skills while taking part in a physical activity.

We would like to thank all of the parents who assisted with the transport, without your support these events would be difficult to attend.



**FIZZ POP SCIENCE**

We welcomed a mad scientist from Fizz Pop Science into school this week who demonstrated various scientific experiments during assembly which was based on air power and friction! The children thought it was most entertaining when Miss Shibley was moved around the school hall on a hovercraft dressed in a union jack shower cap and goggles! It was a lot of fun and we are hoping to run a Fizz Pop Science Club after Christmas. It is open to all year groups and will be on a Tuesday after school. They will explore a range of scientific experiments and receive a special certificate at the final session. Full details are on the flyer in book bags today. If your child would like to join, please complete the form and return it to school by **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November**. Cheques need to be made payable to 'Fizz Pop Science' please not school. Please note we need 12 pupils to run this club.



**SHASA CHRISTMAS HAMPER**

As part of our ongoing fundraising SHASA - Somerfords' Home and School Association - is again this year holding a Christmas Hamper Draw.

We will be preparing a Seasonal Hamper with amazing goodies, which someone lucky will be able to take home for Christmas! Tickets for the draw will be sold as before at the Fourway Stores and at school events in December.

SHASA would like to ask for the support of parents in the form of donations for the Hamper; for example: *mince pies, crackers, puddings, seasonal napkins, chutneys, wrapping paper, chocolates, seasonal nibbles or tipples, candles, are just a few ideas...*

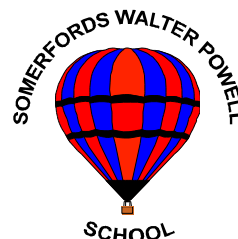
Please leave any donations for the hamper in the school office before the 30<sup>th</sup> November.

Your support is very much appreciated, and enables SHASA to continue providing the little extras and essentials like funding the cost of the coach to the Pantomime. Thank you.

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### 9. PANTOMIME / SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH

In book bags today you will find letters regarding the forth coming pantomime trip and school Christmas lunch, please return both reply slip and money (if applicable) to the school office before **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November**, although early replies would be much appreciated.

### 10. MALMESBURY SCHOOL CONSULTATION

Malmesbury School is currently consulting on its 2018/19 admissions arrangements. If any parent wishes to see or comment on the draft policy, please contact the school office for an emailed copy or a hard copy. Jo Cummings, Clerk to the Governors, can be contacted either by email

[admin@malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk)

Post: Malmesbury School, Corn Gastons, Malmesbury, SN16 9PE or by Telephone on 01666 829700.

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### SEAGRY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Seagry School are holding their Christmas Bazaar on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016 between 3.30-5.30pm. There will be lots of children's activities / games, crafts, stalls, Tombola and the Christmas Café.

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### THANK YOU

Thank you very much to Sam and Rebecca for taking good care of the School Giant African Snails, Jack & Ben over the half term holiday; they seem to have had another growth spurt!

### 13. YEARS 5/6 FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

We would like to wish our Years 5/6 federated football team all the best in their festival next Thursday afternoon. Match report to follow next week.

### 14. BREAKFAST CLUB - W/C Monday 14th November 2016

The booking forms for Breakfast Club can now be found on our school website for your convenience. Paper copies are available from the school office.

#### Based on replies received

**Breakfast Club will be available each morning w/c Monday 14th November 2016**

**FOR THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BOOKED ONLY**

Breakfast Club: - cash or cheques payable to Grassroots Sports Academy (Thursday FOC)

### 15. MRS ROWE

If you would like to contact Mrs Rowe please do so via her email address, or the school office:  
[head@walterpowell.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:head@walterpowell.wilts.sch.uk), Tel: 01249 720797

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - new entries for your diaries in bold** \* = more details to follow

**AUTUMN TERM - Term 2**

Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 5/6 Football Festival
<b>Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Wiltshire Library Bus 1.15 - 2.00pm</b>
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	BBC Children in Need 'Spotacular Day!'
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Years 5/6 Netball Festival
<b>Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Seagry School Christmas Bazaar 3.30pm - 5.30pm</b>
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Nativity 9.30am to 10.30am
Tue 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last Gymnastics Club - Term 2
Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Nativity 1.30pm to 2.30pm
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last Football Club - Term 2
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last Tag Rugby Club - Term 2
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	SHASA Christmas Cake Sale *
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last Multi Sports Club - Term 2
Weds 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Trip to pantomime*
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Lunch / Christmas Party*
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Jumper Day*
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Carol Service at Somerfords' Walter Powell School*
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of term

**2016/2017 TEACHER DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

~~Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016, Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016~~  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017

**2017/2018 TRAINING DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017

**ITEMS IN BOOK BAGS THIS WEEK**

- 1) Fizz pop Science booking forms
- 2) Football Festival final letter (Years 5/6 Football team only)
- 3) Netball Festival final letter (Years 5/6 Netball team only)
- 4) Pantomime Letter
- 5) Christmas Dinner Letter

**HOME CONTACT MESSAGES SENT THIS WEEK**

- 1) Torches - Key stage 2 only
- 2) Remembrance Day