

Dear Parents & Carers

Thank you to parents who were able to attend the coffee mornings held at both bases this week. If you didn't get the chance to come along, I will be running another in term two – dates available soon.

Our Key Stage One children enjoyed their first swimming session this week. I was pleased to hear of the progress already being made in the water!

We are looking forward to our upcoming book week which aims to further develop a love of reading in our pupils. There are plenty of inspiring activities planned to engage our children in each day. I am sure your children will share some of these experiences with you along the way!

Kind regards
Mr Futcher

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Thursday 6 October
3:00 – 7:00pm (MF) & 3:15 – 7:00pm (Atworth)

Tuesday 11 October
3:00 – 6:00pm (MF)
3:15 – 6:00pm (Atworth)

This is an opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher, find out how they are settling in to the new academic year and, for new pupils, the school, and to ask questions.

How do I book an appointment?

Sign-up sheets will be available in school next week – simply book a time.

As always, any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Monday 26 September

Tempest Photographers are coming into school on Monday. They will be at Atworth in the morning before heading over to Monkton Farleigh.

Copies of the photos and order forms will be sent home in book bags.

Any questions, please contact the school office.

CHURCHFIELDS OPEN DAYS

We will be holding open days for prospective parents on the following dates:

Atworth – Wednesday 5 October, 10am – 2pm
Monkton Farleigh – Friday 7 October, 10am – 2pm

WOW! DAY



Reception & KS1 children worked together to make healthy fruit kebabs.



KS2 children cooking bread over the fire.

BIKEABILITY

Thursday 10th & Thursday 17th
November

This course is designed to ensure that children are safe riding their bikes out on the road and replaces cycling proficiency training.

It is open to all children who are 10 or over.

Children must have their own roadworthy bicycle in order to participate.

We have to have 12 participants in order for the course to go ahead, so if you would like your child to take part please let the office know.



PTA SHOUT OUT

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Welcome Picnic on Friday – whether you baked cakes, made sandwiches, helped organise or simply came along to enjoy the event, THANK YOU.

The PTA is looking for volunteers to help co-ordinate its Christmas Silent Auction.

This is one of the biggest fundraisers in our calendar, last year raising in excess of £1,800!

Full details are attached and if you think you can help we would love to hear from you.



TIME FOR NEW SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Children from Yrs 1 to 6 are invited to put their names forward for the School Council elections.

School Council members need to attend meetings and occasionally stay after school to help with fundraising or other events and activities. They need to be role models to the other children in the school and set an example of good behaviour and manners and help keep the school tidy inside and outside.

The School Council is occasionally asked to make posters for events, help make decisions within school and carry out class surveys.

Each class elects a School Council representative for each year group in their class (e.g. Falcon Class has representatives for Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6; Woodpeckers, Yrs 1 & 2).

If your child is interested in being on the School Council, they need to inform their class teacher by Wednesday 28 September.

They also need to think about:

- Why they would like to be on the School Council.
- How they could help the School Council.
- What ideas they have to improve the school

They might like to write down their thoughts and ideas to share with their class.

The election results will be announced on **Friday 30 September**.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you and good luck!

BREAKFAST CLUB (Atworth)

We have had a few enquiries about our new Breakfast Club, which runs on a Wednesday morning, with parents asking if their children can join on an ad hoc basis.

In2Sport have confirmed that they can accommodate children on an ad hoc basis.

TAG RUGBY CLUB (Atworth)

Information Leaflet



If your child is doing Tag Rugby on Wednesday afternoons, please make sure you pick up the information leaflet that has been produced for parents.

If you have not received one please let the school office know and we will make sure you are sent a copy.

LOST PROPERTY

The Lost Property box at Atworth is over-flowing.

Many items were left over the summer break – they must belong to somebody.

Please take the time to come and look through and retrieve your childrens' items.



ABSENCES

If your child is unwell and will be absent from school please notify the school office first thing in the morning.

If you ring our main number (01225 703026) there is an Absence Line so you can leave a message.

Alternatively email us at:

- awreception@churchfields.wilts.sch.uk – Atworth
- mfreception@churchfields.wilts.sch.uk – MF

Please remember if your child has been ill with a stomach bug and vomiting and/or diarrhoea, please keep them at home for 48 hours.

If your child is taken unwell at school, we will contact you so that you can collect them and take them home.

As always, if you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to contact us.

ST PETER'S CHURCH HARVEST LUNCH

Hot & Homemade Food
Sunday 25 September, from
12pm

Monkton Farleigh
Village Hall

Ticket Price:
£7 adults
£3.50 child (5 – 11 yrs)



Tickets available from Carolyn Walker - T: 01225 85955

DIARY DATES TERMS 1 & 2

DATE	EVENT
Thursday 22 September	NSPCC Child Protection Talk with Yrs 5 & 6 – MF
	Melksham Oak Open Evening, 6:00 – 8:00pm
Friday 23 September	Hayesfield School Open Morning, 9:00am – Midday
Sunday 25 September	Harvest Lunch St Peter's Church, Monkton Farleigh 12 noon onwards
Monday 26 September	SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
	Deadline for nominations for School Council elections
Wednesday 28 September	KS1 Swimming – Melksham Blue Pool
	Beechen Cliff School Open Morning, 9:00am – Midday
	St Laurence Open Evening
Monday 3 – Friday 7 October	BOOK WEEK
Wednesday 5 October	OPEN DAY – ATWORTH 10:00am – 2:00pm
	KS1 Swimming – Melksham Blue Pool
Thursday 6 October	PARENTS' EVENING 3:00 – 7:00pm (MF) 3:15 – 7:00pm (Atworth)
Friday 7 October	OPEN DAY – MF 10:00am – 2:00pm
	Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment Year 5 & 6 – Wiltshire Music Centre
Tuesday 11 October	PARENTS' EVENING 3:00 – 6:00pm (MF) 3:15 – 7:00pm (Atworth)
Wednesday 12 October	KS1 Swimming – Melksham Blue Pool
	Experience Church Event at Winsley Primary School for MF pupils 1:00 – 2:30pm
Thursday 13 October	Hayesfield School Open Afternoon, 1:30 – 4:15pm
Monday 17 October	Harvest Festival Service St Michael's Church, Atworth at 1:15pm
Wednesday 19 October	KS1 Swimming – Melksham Blue Pool
Friday 21 October	END OF TERM 1
Monday 31 October	TERM 2 SCHOOL CLUBS BEGIN
	Deadline for Yr 6 applications for secondary school places

DATE	EVENT
Wednesday 9 November	PTA AGM & meeting (venue t.b.c.)
Thursday 10 November	BIKEABILITY 10+
Thursday 17 November	BIKEABILITY 10+
Friday 18 November	Children in Need (details t.b.c.)
Wednesday 23 November	WOW! DAY (children will transfer between sites)
Saturday 26 November	PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR Monkton Farleigh (morning) Atworth (afternoon)
Sunday 27 November	Christingle Church Service St Peter's Church, Monkton Farleigh 5:0 – 6:00pm
Monday 5 – Friday 9 December – NO AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK	
Monday 5 December	KS1 CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION St Michael's Church Hall, Atworth 1:30pm – Dress Rehearsal Performances at 4:00pm & 6:00pm
Wednesday 7 December	KS2 CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION Venue t.b.c. 1:30pm Dress Rehearsal Performances at 4:30pm and 6:30pm
LAST WEEK OF TERM – NO SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK	
Monday 12 December	Christmas Service St Michael's Church, Atworth at 1:15pm
Wednesday 14 December	Christmas Dinner Day
Friday 16 December	END OF TERM 2

>>> Silent Auction 2016: Coordinator Needed <<<



Dining out, rail-travel tickets, driving a sports car, beauty vouchers: these are just a very small selection of items auctioned in the past year – all obtained by hardworking volunteer coordinators. And that's what this year's silent auction needs! A Volunteer Coordinator!

For the last two years, the fundraising efforts of the PTA have been brilliantly complimented by the very successful Christmas Silent Auction, raising in excess of £1800. It has been the diligent efforts of just a few volunteers working hard to bring this opportunity not just to the school, but also to the wider community; now, these wonderful volunteers are ready to give the reins over to a new coordinator (or team).

The 2016 Silent Auction Coordinator will have the opportunity to help raise money at one of the PTA's biggest fundraisers of the year. The primary role of the coordinator is to solicit and collect auction items prior to the date of the auction; additional duties include the responsibility of the creation, distribution, and final collation of the auction bid sheet detailing the items on offer.

This particular opportunity would suit a person (or team!) who:

- is detailed oriented,
- works great with others,
- is comfortable with making solicitations of gifts and other items for the silent auction,
- has strong communication, both verbally and via email, and
- is persistent and enjoys a good challenge

There are template documents and contact leads ready to be handed over to the new coordinator, so the skeleton of the silent auction is in place.

Sadly, if a new coordinator is not in place by the end of September/early October, it is not likely that there will be a silent auction fundraiser for Christmas 2016 as this particular fundraiser does takes time to assemble.

If you're interested in taking the reins, please contact any of the following:

Kirsty Cortilla - m. 07746 323 400 - e. info@whitehartatworth.co.uk

Fe Frayling - m. 07825 229 184 - e. frfrayling@hotmail.com

Hilary McBryde - m. 07540 538 003 - e. hilarymcbryde@hotmail.com

Alternatively, if you have any additional contacts or items to be donated for auction, but cannot commit to obtaining an entire auction's worth of items, please contact any of the above-named persons. Working together, we can have yet another successful auction. Quality goods at auctioned prices, raising funds for amazing students. Our children - they're worth it!



Bradford-on-Avon Lions Club
supporting the Air Ambulance
are proud to announce



Wiltshire
Air Ambulance
Provided by you. Saving lives.

NEW Family friendly off road races!
Sunday 25th September

1 Mile

Run, Walk, Toddle
or Push!

10am

£4 or £5
on the day

5K Run

11am

£7 or £9
on the day



- Medals, trophies and prizes!
- Live music from *The Packhorse Band*
- Goody bags
- Refreshments

Starting at Culver Close playing field
(by the Tithe Barn)

For full details and to book, visit our website
www.entrycentral.com/Bradford-on-Avon-Lions-Fun-Runs