

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

There is no doubt that the children have had a full and enriching science week! From astronomy, engineering and forensics to name but a few, the children have worked collaboratively across the ages to explore this fascinating area of learning. We hope that this will encourage more budding scientists to flourish, and plant the seed of a science/engineering based career into some of our older pupils' developing minds. Well done to all our pupils for engaging so enthusiastically across the week, and staff and parents for their efforts in making the week so enjoyable. Special thanks to Mrs Liddiard for her meticulous planning to provide our pupils with such a well-rounded experience of what science has to offer.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.

School Activities at a glance 18 March to 22 March	
Monday 18 March – Friday 22 March No teacher led after school clubs this week	
Monday 18 March am	Kestrel Year 5 Forest School morning
Tuesday 19 March pm	Kingfisher Class Forest School afternoon
Tuesday 19 March	Parents' evening until 6pm
Thursday 21 st March	'Lots of Socks' World Down Syndrome Day

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STEM week.

What a fantastic Science week we have had. I do hope your children have come home talking all about the learning and activities that have taken place. Huge thanks to the PTA for funding our visitors this week. Paul Hill's incredible knowledge, presented in a really fun and engaging way, all about space travel, was a highlight for many of us. The teachers and teaching assistants have all flung themselves into the week with great enthusiasm too, making a memorable week. Your children are such great scientists - full of curiosity - it has been a delight to try and answer their questions and guide them in their challenges and investigations. I wonder what Science Week 2020 will bring? Planning starts on Monday!

Andrea Liddiard

Science Leader

P.S. Many, many thanks to all for sending in a £2 contribution to the week - it has allowed us to maintain quality, exciting workshops this year. If you would still like to make a contribution then please do send it into the office.

P.P.S. Take a look on the next page at some of the great things we did in our workshops.

Amazing Astronomy Tuesday 12 March

Today, our school had a visit from a space scientist called Paul. He showed us loads of weird but wonderful facts about space, astronauts and loads more. He did a variety of experiments with us, the first one showed us what happens when hydrogen and oxygen get trapped in a giant water bottle then when you set it alight (on fire) there is no extra air and there is a huge explosion - everyone screamed! Then he talked to us about how the astronauts get up to space, what they do when they're in space and how they get back to earth. Paul showed us an awesome experiment where there were 3 small canisters (all with different amounts of water) and we put a fizzy tablet in all 3, turned it upside down and it would explode. We found out that the one full with water had no room for any air so the lid just fell off. The half-filled one had half water, half air and created a big explosion. Finally the canister with only a tiny bit of water: after a tense wait a giant explosion meant water was all over the floor! Paul even brought in 2 space suits for 2 lucky volunteers to try on. We all had a really, really fun time and we would all definitely recommend it.

By James M





World Down Syndrome Day Thursday 21 March 2019

On the 21st March it is World Down Syndrome Day, the theme is 'lots of socks'. We are inviting all children to bring in a light coloured pair of plain socks (they don't have to be new) that will be decorated and made unique, highlighting the fact that a child with Down Syndrome is the same and just has an extra special chromosome.

Children in KS2 will be designing the socks as part of their fashion topic ensuring they highlight this extra chromosome.

Easter Concert Tuesday 02 April Atworth Base



Our Easter concert will take place after school at the Atworth base on Tuesday 02 April. We are looking forward to performances from our ukulele groups, performing arts club, guitar players, pianists and singers who have

lessons in school. We know that there are also many talented musicians who have lessons outside school. If you have a piece that will be ready to perform at the concert at the end of term, please let Miss Ottner know so that she can put the programme together.

Everyone is welcome to attend. As this is the same day as our Easter Service, children from Monkton Farleigh who would like to perform or to watch can remain at Atworth at the end of the day and parents will then need to collect them from our Atworth base at 4:30pm. Please let Mrs Croker or Miss Davis know if your child is going to stay for the concert.

Walking Bus Atworth Base

Back in November we asked for feedback from Parents/Carers about re-starting our walking bus. Before we finalise a decision we need to confirm the number of children that would take part.

If you would like your child to be part of the walking bus please email admin@churchfields.wilts.sch.uk with the subject heading 'Walking Bus Atworth'.

Responses need to be received by Friday 22nd March please.

Thank you

YEAR 5 & 6 RESIDENTIAL TRIP

PGL Liddington, Wiltshire

Mon 24 – Wed 26 June 2019

If you have opted to pay for the trip by instalments, a payment is now due for March 2019. The final balance for the trip is to be paid by Friday 29 April 2019.

Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us – and remember you can use Parent Pay to pay online.

What do you want to make today?

Easter Holiday Adventures

Monday 8th through Thursday 11th April
Monday 15th through Thursday 18th April
Adventures out exploring the countryside
Crafty cooky makey garden play days
4-14 yr olds
Details & online booking at:
www.swainwickexplorers.co.uk  

Easter Holiday Whole Day Adventures for 4*-14 yr olds

Swainwick Explorers, Bath BA1 8BU

A mix of adventurous days out exploring wild places in small groups and crafty makey 'At Home' days. £40 for the day, food provided. Details and booking online at: www.swainwickexplorers.co.uk or 07758 515092. For play and activity ideas see our instagram @swainwickstyle

4* If your child is 4 and still too young to be at school please contact us before you book to discuss whether they are developmentally mature enough to enjoy the day.

SWIMMING INCLUDED SWIMMING INCLUDED

We at Grassroots Sports Academy are happy to tell you that we are going to be running Multi-Sports Holiday clubs at Stonar School, Atworth, Melksham, SN12 8NU from **MONDAY 15th April – Thursday 18th April**

SPORT CLUB	CLUB OPEN TO	TIME	DATES	COST PER CHILD	DAY(S) ATTENDING (PLEASE CIRCLE)
MULTI-SPORTS This includes football, Athletics, Cricket, Hockey, Basketball, Badminton Volleyball Games & much more)	All children aged 4-12	9:00am-3:00pm	15th april To 18 th april	Early Bird Booking before 1st april WEEK- £52 Any individual days £16 After that date WEEK £65 Any Individual Days £18	ALL WEEK, OR MONDAY TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY,

To book your child/children onto the Holiday Club or if you have any enquires please contact:
Kevin Hughes 07876688636

Email grassrootsports@btinternet.com or visit our facebook page Grassroots sports academy

Please note: To Secure your Early Bird Booking a **%50 Deposit** is required by the **1st april** you can do this by either contacting Kevin Hughes or By Bank Transfer/ ACC No -06912497 Sort Code 09-01-29

. Please bring the form and remaining payment on the 1st day you attend

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Emergency no:		
Medical requirements:		
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*Payment enclosed:		
Parent/Guardian name:		
Signature:		Date:
*Make cheques payable to Grassroots Sports Academy /GSA		
Booking Form		

Diary Dates Term 4

Term 4	
Monday 18 March – Friday 22 March	No teacher led after school clubs this week
Monday 18 March am	Kestrel Year 5 Forest School morning
Tuesday 19 March pm	Kingfisher Class Forest School afternoon
Tuesday 19 March	Parents' evening until 6pm
Thursday 21 st March	'Lots of Socks' World Down Syndrome Day
Monday 25 March – Friday 29 March	No teacher led after school clubs this week
Monday 25 March am	Kestrel Year 6 Forest School Morning
Tuesday 26 March am	Falcon Class Forest School Morning
Tuesday 26 March pm	Robin Class Forest School afternoon
Wednesday 27 March	WOW Day
Thursday 28 March	Parents' evening until 7:30pm
Monday 01 April am	Nightingale Yr. 4 Forest School morning
Tuesday 02 April	Easter Service Atworth Church 1:15pm
Tuesday 02 April	Easter Concert Atworth Hall 2:30 – 4:30
Wednesday 03 April am	Nightingale Year 3 Forest School morning
Thursday 04 April pm	Woodpecker Forest School afternoon
Friday 05 April	INSET DAY
Friday 05 April	End of Term 4
Monday 22 April	Easter Monday Bank Holiday
Tuesday 23 April	Start of Term 5