

## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are looking forward to meeting with parents next week at one of our scheduled parents' evenings. We do encourage all parents to attend so we can discuss the progress your child is making and explore how we can jointly support them further to achieve their best in all areas of school life. If you have yet to sign up, please use the sheets provided in school or contact the school office who will be pleased to book you an available slot.

I would like to thank all members of the school community for supporting Zoe and Charli in their skydive recently! A massive thank you to them for risking life and limb to ensure our pool at Atworth can be continued to be used in the summer months. This is an amazing additional asset for our pupils and relies solely on money raised in this way so all contributions make a difference.

Do keep your eye open for the events our PTA are running over the next few weeks and months in support of the school. Miss Ottner has offered her quizmaster expertise to prepare the challenges for Saturday evening. Please sign up for the quiz if you haven't already. Parents from both bases are most welcome as always.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.



### Can you help?

*Our plant pots at the front of both bases are looking rather sad at the moment, following a very warm couple of summers, and they are in need of some TLC. Are you able to help in any way to restore these and help make the entrances to our bases more inviting and attractive? The pots could do with fresh compost and many of the shrubs need replacing. If you have any spare compost, or you are digging out plants from your own gardens, that you think could do well in a pot, then we would gratefully receive them. Also, if you are able to spare some time every now and then to help keep them presentable (weeding, watering etc.) that would also be very welcome.*

### School Activities at a glance

**Monday 07 October – Friday 11 October**

**Reminder: No teacher led clubs this week**

Monday 07 October	Parents' Evening until 6:00pm
Tuesday 08 October	Parents' evening until 7:30pm
Wednesday 09 October	
Thursday 10 October	
Friday 11 October	

## HARVEST FESTIVAL

St Michael's Church, Atworth

Tuesday 15 October, 1:15pm

Our Harvest Festival is on Tuesday 15 October and children are invited to bring donations of dried and tinned goods, which will be used to support the Bradford on Avon Foodbank whose support extends to Atworth and Monkton Farleigh communities.

A coach is booked after morning break to bring Robin & Falcon classes over Atworth base and back again to Monkton Farleigh for pick up at the end of the school day.

Parents/Carers of pupils from Monkton Farleigh who are in attendance for the service will be able to take their children straight afterwards if they so wish. Please ensure you inform your child's classteacher at the time so they can make a note.

Children from Monkton Farleigh who do not have parents/carers attending the service will have to return to the Monkton Farleigh base by coach and be released at the normal time for collection.

Pupils of the Atworth base will be taken back to school after the service and released at the normal time.

As always, parents & carers are most welcome to attend our church service and to stay afterwards for the refreshments being provided by the PTA in the school hall at our Atworth Base.

*We look forward to seeing lots of you there*



## Year 4 maths challenge at King Edward's School



Miss Connelly and Miss Smith were unbelievably impressed with the four Year 4s that took part in a maths challenge afternoon at King Edward's Junior School on Thursday this week. Jessie, Henry F, George and Reuben worked tirelessly all afternoon on some seriously difficult mental

maths, logic and shape puzzles alongside around 60 other children from local primary schools. Their positive attitude and teamwork shone throughout the whole afternoon and it was an absolute pleasure to have them represent Churchfields. Well done Jessie, Henry, George and Rueben!

Miss Connelly and Miss Smith

**KS2** have been focussing on topic this week, learning about many different aspects of the Second World War through literacy, art and PE. The children have brought in some great homework and asked some fantastic questions. We are very much looking forward to this afternoon's street party to celebrate VE day, but are hoping for some better weather!

**KESTRELS** have explained in their own words some of our activities:

On 30th September KS2 started their exciting topic week. To start with we had history and listened to Neville Chamberlain's declaration of war. Every 25 minutes we moved the month to the next one. We also read out cards to represent the events that happened every month. Throughout the week we learned about different events in the war.

### Dunkirk

The British, French and Belgians were trapped on the beach in Dunkirk. The Germans were dropping bombs onto the beaches. So the Prime Minister told everyone with a small boat to come and pick up the soldiers. Sadly not everyone made it because of bombs and torpedoes. The big ships couldn't get close enough so the small boats came.

The Battle of Britain

We read out statements about the Battle of Britain and decided whether they belonged to Germany or Britain, then we had to line up and step towards either country to make our own battleometer. We wrote an announcement for newsreel footage of the pilots.

### The Blitz

On Tuesday afternoon we learnt about the blitz and what happened during it. During the Blitz, the Nazis were bombing Great Britain and many families had to be evacuated to a different place. Some people were very unlucky because they did not have air raid shelters so they would have to use other people's shelters. If you were at school you would have to go to an air raid shelter in your school.

### Propaganda posters

On Wednesday, Mr Williams showed us how to make a catchy propaganda poster. The two things to look out for when making one was:

1. to contrast and make the poster colourful and
2. make the slogan catchy and bold

Most people used Churchill's famous quotes for slogans but some made up their own. We designed our very own cloud background and stuck WW2 pictures on top. To make it more effective we overlapped some of the pictures. It was great fun! Thank you Mr Williams!

### Army tests

To get into any army you have to train very hard. In PE this week we had a look at the fitness test that was expected in 1946. My least favourite was the push-ups, because I'm not very good at them and I find them hard. The activities were push ups, sit ups, burpies and we did just over half a mile. Thank you Mr Kiely.

I have enjoyed basically everything we've done. It is really important to learn about the war because we need to know that all of these people have sacrificed their lives so that we can have a nice future.

### This is Annabel's writing, based on the D-Day landings:

Everyone was silent. I could smell claggy sweat coming from the ocean of cam-green uniform that I was part of. The crowded metal boat groaned as it turned towards the Normandy beach, Utah, which was our landing base. I could feel my dirty, worn out hat clanking with the hundreds of other soldiers' as the boat screeched up on the sand of Utah beach.

No one flinched. Then abruptly the landing ramp fell and slammed the murky grey, wet sand. Everyone sprinted off the PA2 boat. There was minutes of quiet splashing through the puddles. I was one of the last and I was ready for anything. I scampered from shelter to shelter with deafening gun shots metres behind me.

## Crypto Challenge Day

Following our visit from Bletchley Park at the KS2 wow day in September, lots of children have been interested in trying out code creating and breaking challenges as part of their topic homework. The University of Bath is offering a crypto challenge day which looks really exciting. Unfortunately we are on holiday for the schools' day, but parents and families are welcome on the 25th and 26th October."



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## Crypto Maths Challenge 2019

**Crypto HQ** is in the Maths Dept.  
4 West  
10am to 3pm  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October

Try your hand at cracking our ciphers, and follow the clues on a hunt around campus.

<http://bit.ly/CryptoMathsBath2019>

## ALDI'S Kit for Schools stickers

We are collecting ALDI school stickers which is part of the 'Get Set to Eat Fresh' scheme.

If we collect 300 stickers we will receive sports kit and be entered into a draw where we could win one of twenty £20,000 prizes!

Please bring your stickers into reception.



## Churchfields Village School Presents:



# Saturday 5th October

**5.30pm for 6pm Start**

**Teams of 8**  
(4 adults tops per team)

**Adults £2**  
**Kids £1**

Selection of snacks and alcoholic and soft drinks available  
Due to limited space, we are offering pre booking at reception (payment required when booking)

Hosted By  




## PIANO LESSONS Y1-6



New slots available at Churchfields!

Would your child like to start piano lessons?

COST: £12.50 for a weekly 25 minute slot during school hours.

Zoe Manifold is an experienced piano teacher with a long-standing relationship with Churchfields School. She is a qualified primary school teacher and a grade 8 pianist with a love for playing a range of repertoire from musical theatre to jazz piano to classical and everything in between. Zoe believes in a child-led approach and works closely with the family to ensure the child is supported as they practice at home in between lessons.

Please email Zoe: [zomanifold@gmail.com](mailto:zomanifold@gmail.com) for further information

"My daughter has been having piano lessons with Zoe for almost 5 years and we have found her to be extremely flexible and pupil lead in her approach. Zoe approaches each lesson with great enthusiasm and freshness which increases my daughter's own enthusiasm for the piano - I cannot recommend her highly enough!"

Deborah Emberson  
Ukulele teacher and client





## SINGING LESSONS Y3-6



New slots available at Churchfields!

Would your child like to start singing lessons?

COST: Private £12.50 / Shared £7 / Group of three £5

Zoe Manifold is an experienced teacher with a long standing relationship with Churchfields School. She is a qualified primary school teacher and is an experienced performer and singer with a degree in music performance. Zoe has taken roles in musicals on Bath Theatre Royal stage as well as other venues across Bath and the South West, Cheltenham, Oxford and London.

Pupils can expect to gain confidence in singing and acting through song as well as receiving help with singing technique. Zoe believes in a child-led approach and encourages student choices of songs. She brings with her a wide range of repertoire for the students to choose from and encourages laughter and fun at the centre of her lessons.

Please email Zoe: [zomanifold@gmail.com](mailto:zomanifold@gmail.com) for further information

"As a highly skilled teacher, and performer in her own right, Zoe gets the very best from children by building their confidence, spotting talent, enabling all children to shine, setting high expectations and always giving 100% commitment to every new challenge."  
Carolyn Tommey - Headteacher, Rode and Norton Federation

**OCTOBER SOCCER SCHOOLS**

**WHEN**  
October Half Term  
8.30am – 3.00pm

**WHERE**  
**John of Gaunt School**  
Trowbridge, BA14 9EH

**Ages 5-14 Years**

**BOOK ONLINE AT:**  
[HTTP://ACTIVETROWBRIDGE.CO.UK/](http://ACTIVETROWBRIDGE.CO.UK/)

**MY PLAYER MONDAY**

**TRANSFER TUESDAY**

**WORLD CUP WEDNESDAY**

**THEME THURSDAY**

**TOURNAMENT FRIDAY**

## DIARY DATES TERM 1 & 2:

<b>TERM 1</b>	
Monday 07 – Friday 11 October	<b>No teacher led clubs</b>
Monday 07 October	Parents' Evening until 6:00pm
Tuesday 08 October	Parents' evening until 7:30pm
Tuesday 15 October	Harvest Festival Atworth Church (1:15pm)
Thursday 17 October	YR6 Bikeability Bike Checks
Friday 18 October	Autumn Concert Monkton Farleigh
Friday 18 October	PTA School movie night
Tuesday 22 October	Autumn Concert Atworth
Wednesday 23 October	<b>INSET Day School closed to Pupils</b> End of term 1
<b>Term 2</b>	
Monday 4 November	Term 2 Begins
Monday 04 November – Wednesday 06 November	YR6 Bikeability
Monday 11 – Friday 15 November	E- Safety Week (Anti-Bullying Week)
Friday 15 November	Children In Need
Wednesday 20 November	<b>WOW Day</b>
Sunday 01 December	PTA Christmas Fayre
Friday 06 December	Flu Nasal Spray vaccination Year R-6
Tuesday 10 December	KS2 Production

Term 2 Cont'd	
Wednesday 11 December	Fdn/KS1 Production
Friday 13 December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 18 December	Carol Service Atworth Church 1:15pm
Thursday 19 December	Monkton Farleigh Carols on the Amphitheatre 3pm – 4pm
Thursday 19 December	PTA Christmas disco
Friday 20 December	End of Term 2

Future INSET days for Academic Year 2019/2020:

Thursday 30 January 2020

Friday 31 January 2020

Monday 01 June 2020

Wednesday 22 July 2020

### Term Dates 2019-2020

Term 1: 02 September 2019 – 23 October 2019

Term 2: 04 November 2019 – 20 December 2019

Term 3: 06 January 2020 – 14 February 2020

Term 4: 24 February 2020 – 03 April 2020

Term 5: 20 April 2020 – 22 May 2020\*

Term 6: 01 June 2020 – 22 July 2020

\*Early May Bank Holiday is Friday 08 May 2020