

Churchfields' Weekly Newsletter

Friday 28 February 2020



World Book Day 2020

Dear parents and carers,

We have asked everyone to come into school on World

Book Day this year thinking about their favourite phrase, line or even a paragraph quoted from their favourite book and wear this on display for others to read and enjoy. We hope this will be a brilliant way to encourage children to think about the meaning of the words on the page, and how quotations can make you smile, laugh, reflect on your own experiences, question your thinking and hopefully encourage others to read on!

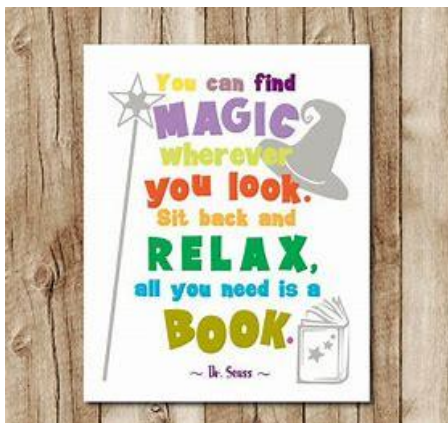
There will be a whole host of activities going on throughout the day using the children's favourite quotations to encourage and support children to think about why their book is special to them and what makes them come back to this book, or this part of the book, again and again.

We hope this will be a great opportunity for you to spend time with your child beforehand thinking about the books you have read together and share parts that stand out for any reason. There will be a competition running for the best decorated quotation so get creative and encourage your child to think about a design to wear that will really stand out in a crowd! How your child decides to wear their quotation is up to them.

Following the events of the day, there will be a competition to take part in inspired by the school's favourite quotes. More information to follow!

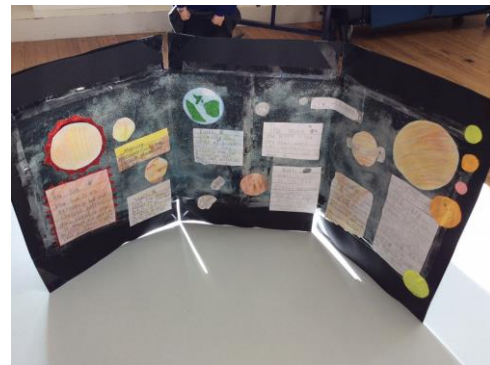
We thank you for your continued support and we look forward to another enjoyable World Book Day. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to speak to me.

Miss Connelly
English subject leader



School Activities at a glance	
Term 4 begins Monday 24 February	
Monday 02 March	No PAC afterschool club
Thursday 05 March	World Book Day

STEM reading challenge 2020!



Wow! We have been absolutely blown away this week with the enthusiasm and participation in the STEM reading challenge we set you over half term. Miss Connelly has been inundated with so many completed STEM bookmarks filled with a whole host of fascinating books you have been reading over your week off. What a fantastic way to start the new term leading up to STEM week.

On Wednesday, children at Atworth had an opportunity to share their follow up projects with the school. We had a human body filled with facts, a space mobile, dinosaur eggs, crystals, a bath bomb, an iPad game, coded projects ... to name a few! We loved finding out about the science that interested you at home and a big well done for taking part in this project.

Miss Connelly and Mrs Liddiard



Childcare – Monkton Farleigh

We are sorry to hear of the childcare situation that will be arising at Monkton Farleigh after Easter. Fortunately there is a solution on the horizon.

The Lookout Nursery will be taking up residence in our additional room, previously occupied by Woodland Adventurers. They will also be offering wrap around care to local families for a charge. The aim is to have this provision open after the Easter holiday. We have included information about upcoming open days at the nursery towards the end of this week's newsletter.

Enrichment courses at Braeside Education Centre in Devizes.

We have just received a brochure for the latest enrichment courses available at Braeside Education Centre in Devizes. These courses are designed for children in Y2 - 6 who show a particular talent in a subject and cover numeracy, literacy, outdoor education and science. Courses run during the day - some on weekdays, some at weekends. Courses cost £60. Children who have attended these courses before have really enjoyed them, and return to school buzzing, happy to share their new knowledge.

If you and your child would be interested in attending one of these courses, please talk to either your child's class teacher, or to Mrs Genner (More Able Lead) who will be happy to give further details.

Kestrel Class Bake Sale for Bath Cats & Dogs Home

Friday 14 February Atworth Base

On the Friday before half term we did a bake sale for Bath Cats & Dogs home. We want to thank all those people who took part and baked something! We raised an amazing £90 for the charity. Almost all of the cakes and bakes were gone! When we handed in the money to Bath Cats & Dogs home they were extremely grateful. This money is going towards feeding the animals, giving them medicine and health that they need, making sure they have a cosy bed at night and having toys to play with, so thank you so much everyone !! ☺ ☺

Annabel & Belle

The Hockey Tournament

On Wednesday 26th February some of Kestrel class represented our school at a hockey tournament at Stonar. Our team played in seven games; we drew in five and lost two. There was a lot of moving around throughout the two courts and we tried really hard in all our games. As it got closer to the end we were all getting very tired and it was raining, but we didn't give up. We managed to score a goal in our last game and were extremely happy to finally get one in. There were free cakes, drinks and biscuits that gave us a boost of energy before the last few games and then we all sat down for the award ceremony. Sadly we were placed 8 out of 8, but we all tried our best. Thank you to Mrs Pugh for organising our involvement.

The Kestrel Hockey Team!



Pen Recycling Collection.

In an effort to reduce, reuse and recycle we will have a pen recycling collection point at each base after half term. Any

plastic pens can be recycled and Mrs Liddiard will be coordinating delivery to a collection point. The pens are then up-cycled by Terracycle into plastic pellets which are then made into planters, picnic tables, benches, watering cans etc.

Look out for the collection boxes in the reception areas at each base after half term.

Accepted waste in this programme:

All writing instruments (except for wooden pencils and chalk) are accepted: Any brand of pen, felt tip, highlighter, marker, correction fluid pot, correction tape, mechanical pencil and eraser pen regardless of their composition.

Note that we **do not** accept glue sticks, erasers, rulers or other cutting objects that could disturb the recycling process. Please be careful not to include any of those items.



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Save the Dates!

Our wonderful PTA have some great activities planned during the remainder of the school year, please save these dates and look out for more information nearer the time.

Friday 03/04- Easter Bake Off

Thursday 30/04- Spring Disco

Friday 22/05- Rainbow non-uniform day

Saturday 20/06- MF Village Fair

Friday 03/07- Sports Day Summer Fun

Friday 17/07- Castle Combe Track Evening

Movie Night – Date to be confirmed



Wiltshire Scrapstore

in association with

Spurgeons Children's Centres

A creative and fun session run by Wiltshire Scrapstore!

Every child will receive a free book!

Limited spaces available!

When: Monday 16th March

Time: 10:30 -12:00

At: Melksham Library

Please call our central line on

01225 705225

for more information and to book your space!

www.spurgeons.org



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Time: 10:30 -11:30

At: Warminster Library

Please call our central line on

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The Lookout Day Nursery and Out of School Club is opening in Monkton Farleigh in April 2020! We will offer full day care for local families with 2-5 year olds, throughout the year. With offer wrap around care for school aged children, with Breakfast, Afterschool and Holiday Clubs. We will pick up and drop off at both the Monkton Farleigh and Atworth bases. Please see the attached flyers for more information and feel free to visit on of our open days or just give me a call to arrange a show around.

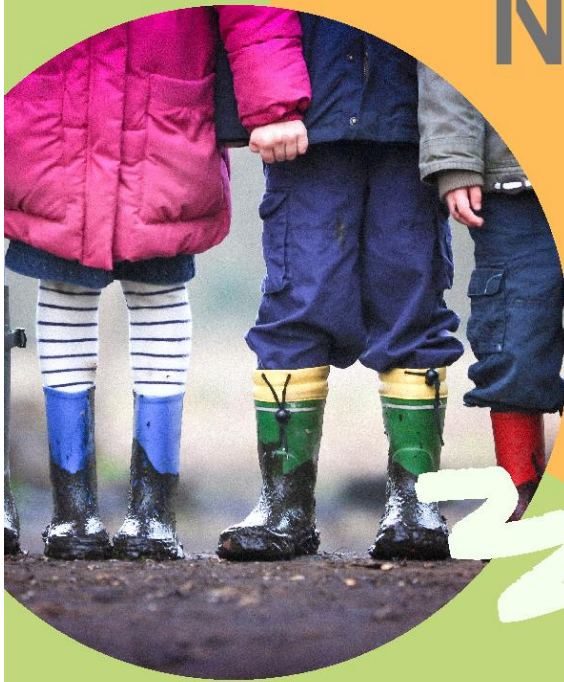
Looking forward to meeting you,

Charlotte



www.thelookoutdaynursery.co.uk

Brand New Nursery - Open days



A chance to visit a brand new nursery and out of school club opening Easter 2020!

Saturday 7th March
Saturday 21st March
9.30am - 12.30pm

Activities, childrens snacks, time to talk to staff and experience our ethos and setting



LITTLE REMINDERS OF HOW TO BE KIND ONLINE

THIS GUIDE WILL HELP YOU TO BE MORE CAREFUL ONLINE AND IS SUITABLE FOR ANY ENVIRONMENT I.E. GAMING, MESSAGING AND SOCIAL MEDIA. IT WILL HELP YOU TO UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF SHOWING KINDNESS AND HOW TO DEVELOP EMPATHY ONLINE.

#WAKEUPWEDNESDAY

IF WE IMAGINE OURSELVES IN THE SITUATION OF ANOTHER PERSON, WE TAKE ANOTHER STEP DOWN THE PATH OF EMPATHY. IT DOESN'T MEAN AGREEING WITH THE OTHER PERSON, BUT IT MEANS **UNDERSTANDING** HOW THEY FEEL. IF YOU FEEL YOURSELF BECOMING DETACHED AND UNHARING PERHAPS DEVELOP A MENTAL PICTURE OF THEM. SO YOU CAN IMAGINE THEM AS REAL PERSONS AND NOT JUST A BUNCH OF WORDS. IF YOU KNOW THE PERSON, CONSIDER A VIDEO CHAT OR VIDEO CALL.

★ ★ OFFER HELP ★ ★

ACCORDING TO DR DAN SIEGEL A CLINICAL PROFESSOR OF PSYCHIATRY, BEING KIND IS REALLY ABOUT RESPECTING EACH OTHER'S VULNERABILITY AND WANTING TO HELP. SO, WHEN SOMEONE IS SHARING THAT THEY ARE STRUGGLING OR FINDING LIFE HARD, OTHER HELP, EVEN IF THE HELP IS A LISTENING EAR OR SAYING, "I CAN UNDERSTAND YOU WOULD FEEL THAT WAY, I'M HERE FOR YOU".

BE RESPONSIBLE

THINK TWICE BEFORE YOU ACT. CONSIDER, ARE YOU
ACTING ON ANGER, FRUSTRATION OR IN A MOMENT OF
JUDGING A SITUATION WITHOUT KNOWING THE TRUTH?
ONLINE, IT IS EASY NOT TO HAVE ALL THE FACTS AND
REACT TO A SITUATION WHICH IS BEING PORTRAYED.

UNDERSTAND THE IMPACT OF YOUR WORDS

COMMENTING ONLINE SOMETIMES MEANS THAT WE DON'T ACTUALLY "SEE" THE IMPACT OF OUR COMMENTS AND WORDS. THIS MEANS IT CAN BE EASIER TO DETACH FROM THE CONSEQUENCES OF OUR ACTIONS. UNLIKE COMMENTS DO HAVE CONSEQUENCES AND CAN ADD TO SOMEONE'S DISTRESS AND FEELING ABOUT THEMSELVES.

DISASSOCIATE FROM PACK MENTALITY

ONLINE, IT IS EASY TO GET CAUGHT UP WITH POSTING **NEGATIVE** COMMENTS BECAUSE EVERYONE ELSE SEEMS TO BE GET COMFORTABLE WITH STANDING OUT, AND NOT GETTING CAUGHT UP POSTING NEGATIVELY BECAUSE EVERYONE ELSE IS. EVEN IF THIS MEANS STANDING ALONE AND REMINDING OTHER PEOPLE THAT THEIR BEHAVIOUR IS UNKIND, YOUR COURAGE COULD SAVE A LIFE.

#BEKIND



**National
Online
Safety®**

#WAKEUPWEDNESDAY

MEET OUR EXPERT

THIS GUIDE HAS BEEN WRITTEN BY ANNA BATESMAN. ANNA IS PASSIONATE ABOUT PLACING PREVENTION AT THE HEART OF EVERY SCHOOL, INTEGRATING MENTAL WELLBEING WITHIN THE CURRICULUM, SCHOOL CULTURE AND SYSTEMS. SHE IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY GROUP FOR THE DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION, ADVISING THEM ON THEIR MENTAL HEALTH GREEN PAPER.



For further info, check out these online resources too

<https://www.themix.org.uk/>

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

<https://www.mind.org.uk/>

www.nationalonlinesafety.com Twitter - @natonlinesafety Facebook - /NationalOnlineSafety Instagram - @nationalonlinesafety

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DIARY DATES TERM 4:

Term 4	
Monday 02 March	No PAC afterschool club
Thursday 05 March	World Book Day
Monday 09 March – Friday 13 March	STEM Week (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths)
Friday 13 March	Year 5 & 6 visit to Bath Sports Village
Monday 16 March – Friday 20 March	No teacher led after school clubs this week
Tuesday 17 March	Parents' evening until 7:30pm
Wednesday 25 March	Parents' evening until 6:00pm
Wednesday 25 March	WOW Day
Wednesday 01 April	Easter Service Atworth Church 1:15pm
Wednesday 01 April	Easter Concert Atworth Hall 3:30-5pm
Friday 03 April	Nightingale Class and Years 3 & 4 Falcon class Swimming Melksham Blue Pool
Friday 03 April	Churchfields PTA Easter Bake Off
Friday 03 April	End of Term 4

Future INSET days for Academic Year 2019/2020: Monday 01 June 2020 Wednesday 22 July 2020

Term Dates 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