

## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

I trust you remain safe and well, and your children have enjoyed their time in school or at home this week.

As promised, we are pleased to be able to share the 'School Holiday Activity Provision Directory' from Wiltshire Council with you today. This is a comprehensive directory of summer activities taking place county-wide that parents/carers can tap in to over the summer break. I hope you find this useful and supportive.

As you are aware, Churchfields' staff and governors are fully engaged in planning for the autumn term. This process is nearly completed and I will be able to share full details with you early next week. We appreciate parents/carers are eager to know the details of these plans. It is essential the plans are thorough and fit for purpose so I thank you for your continued patience whilst they are being finalised. I can confirm at this time that all pupils going into years 1 to 6 at Churchfields at both Atworth and Monkton Farleigh will be welcomed back to school full-time from Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September and that the staggering of start/end times will be minimised to avoid inconvenience to you whilst keeping everyone safe.

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend. The weather is set to change for the better which always lifts spirits!

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.

## Crazy Hair Day Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July

By special request from our leavers, we will be holding a crazy hair day on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July - the last day of term. We're hoping for colourful and creative hair or headgear. We'd love to see your photos if you're joining in from home on that day!



You can have crazy hair, a hat, a headdress or maybe some ribbons and bows; really anything goes!! All we ask is that you get creative !

## News Roundup

### Nightingales

Another fantastic two sessions this week with Year 3 and 4. After reading about Perseus and the deadly sea serpent, we created our own sea monsters using tin foil and clay. We can't wait to paint them next week!  
Miss Connelly

### Robins

Robins have been having a blast this week learning about the water cycle. They've learnt the key vocabulary to explain how water on our planet moves around and designed art work to showcase this. We even created our own water cycle experiment which showed water evaporating from a bowl and condensing onto cling film, and then finally falling as rain! Another great week of learning. Well done Robins!  
Miss Connelly

### Kingfisher Class



What a fantastic week! Kingfishers have very much enjoyed learning all about rivers and oceans. They have explored the use of collage to create river pictures, used paint to recreate images of storms at sea inspired by the BBC ten pieces and made their own boats to sail on a river. As you can imagine we had some success but where our mission failed we didn't give up and tried and tried again.

The children have also used what we can see and find in nature to create their own mini projects. This independence and creativity has blown me away. I have loved observing the children go back to this each break time and every day in order to add to and improve on their master pieces. What a superb week Kingfisher class x x x

### Falcon Class



As a class, we have been reflecting on the year to tie into what should be the Year Six leaver's service at Salisbury Cathedral. We have thought about what we have improved at for a skill, what we have achieved and who has

helped us. We also wrote prayers of thanks and hopes for the future. We are all thankful for so much.

## Kestrel Class

It was brilliant to see most of the Year 5s back in school last week, and we loved their shark artwork. They've been busy this week following a river from its source, using an atlas to mark rivers on a map and creating some great artwork inspired by Kandinsky and the colour wheel as well as all the regular maths, spellings and English activities. In class in addition to famous artists, we have been focusing on UK geography. Unfortunately the rain washed away our big chalk map of the UK in the playground, but hopefully the knowledge will remain....



This week Kestrels have been on a whistlestop tour of art history, experiencing different media, using different techniques and finding out about some famous artists. We started with cave paintings, making oil pastel rubbings on hessian for the cave and drawing with charcoal.



We then skipped quite a few centuries to Monet and looked at how the impressionists created their pictures with visible brushstrokes. We mixed different greens for the background of our poppy field and printed on the red poppies.



Van Gogh was next and we looked at his famous picture *Starry Night* before recreating it using crayons.



We really enjoyed looking at Matisse's art, particularly his large scale paper collages and his famous picture "The Snail". We discussed how art doesn't need to be realistic to make you feel something. In her version, Madelyn was inspired by a safari, but put the different parts of the animals at strange angles to make it more abstract. Can you spot the flamingo flying in the middle?



Chronologically speaking Picasso was our next artist. Famous for his strange and abstract faces we played "Roll a Picasso" where the shapes of the different parts of the face (eyes, nose, mouth, ears) are dictated by the roll of a dice. This was lots of fun!



We then found out about the life of eccentric artist Salvador Dali and the surrealist movement. Our portraits of the artist have moveable pipecleaner moustaches and rotating eyes! Dali was also famous for pictures of elephants with long legs which inspired us to create these long-legged birds using crayon and watercolours



Finally we explored the story of Mexican artist Frida Kahlo, who was famous for her self-portraits. This version was created with oil pastels

We've enjoyed exploring art and trying lots of different techniques and just wish there was some more time in the week so we could discover even more artists!

## Wiltshire Council

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### Your views sought on plans to reopen library services safely

We are seeking your views to help with our planning for reopening library services safely in the county during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The library service in Wiltshire was temporarily closed, due to the COVID-19 pandemic on 20 March. The existing eBooks, eMagazines and eAudio service continues providing access to reading material, and on 27 March a new service launched via Facebook offering rhyme times, tea and chat, bedtime stories and online book groups. At the start of June, the Home Library service was relaunched, serving library members shielding and without digital access to download books; this service is currently used by approximately 100 people. The online library content produced since lockdown has so far generated more than 83,000 views and we appreciate everyone's support.

To make sure the library services the council provides meets your safely and are as innovative in their delivery as possible, we would like to hear your ideas and feedback on how to reopen the services, so we can shape a service that suits you during this time.

During this challenging time the council has to manage its resources carefully and has put forward three possible options for how the service might operate during the COVID-19 pandemic. You are also encouraged to provide your own ideas to help the council deliver the most appropriate service in the circumstances and within the council's current financial resources.

The possible options take into account COVID-19 guidelines and social distancing measures, resources available and the council's current financial pressures – meaning that there will be a partial and phased reopening of library services.

The possible options being considered include:

#### Option 1

An order and collect service  
This involves customers contacting the library service by email/phone to request books or other materials that they wish

to borrow. This might include specific authors or topics such as crime or autobiographies. These would then be collected in person from a library.

This would operate from 10 August at some main library hubs in Wiltshire, and in each of the 18 community areas across the county by the end of September. This means that 20 libraries could potentially be open by the end of September, subject to staff and finances being available.

#### Option 2

An order and collect service with bookable computer access  
The order and collect service as detailed above and the ability to pre-book a computer session for those without access to the internet.

This would operate from 10 August at some main library hubs in Wiltshire and in each community area across the county by the end of September.

#### Option 3

A socially distanced service offering the public some access to browse stock and use computers. This would operate in up to six libraries from the end of August and a maximum of a further four, subject to staff capacity and social distancing requirements.

A four-week public consultation got underway from 29 June 2020. Hard copies will be made available at County Hall, Trowbridge; Monkton Park, Chippenham; and Bourne Hill, Salisbury. The consultation closes on 26 July 2020.

- [Take part in the consultation.](#)

Following analysis of the feedback received, the favoured option will likely be introduced initially for a six-month period from 10 August. Monthly reviews will also be carried out to assess how the impact of COVID-19 is changing, the financial impact of operating, lessons learnt and the opportunities for change.

In the meantime, we have a range of [online resources](#) to keep you busy.

