

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

The children have enjoyed a wonderful science week! I would like to thank children, parents and staff for supporting Wednesday's 'Dress as a Bug' day. It was lovely to see all the different places children's imaginations had taken them to when deciding what to wear! They particularly enjoyed our visiting Beekeeper on Tuesday which sparked their interest greatly. I would like to thank Mrs Liddiard for planning such an exciting week for the children.

It is with sadness that I must announce that our Finance Officer, Mrs Juanita Morgan, will be leaving Churchfields at the end of this school year. After four years with us, she has been successful at gaining promotion at another school as School Business Manager. I am sure you would like to join me in thanking Mrs Morgan for her hard work and support throughout her time as part of our school family, and wish her every success for the future in her new role.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.

Mathletics

WOW! We have never in this history of the school had such a golden day! Five -

yes five! - Gold certificates! What an amazing achievement, mathletes! You've all been working away so hard and should be very proud of these!

GOLD: Oliver C.J, Samuel H, Rufus, Oliver H, Leighton

SILVER: Oliver C.J, Alexis, Samuel H, Rufus, Oliver H, Tomas, Leighton, Emma

BRONZE : Sam B, Theo, Alex C, Oliver C.J, Alexis, Maddox, Ethan, Josiah, Oliver H, Rufus, Lillie, Lauren, Emily J, William J, Leighton, Livinia, Ted L, Vinnie, Violet, Eleanor, Emily M, George P, Alex S, Imogen W

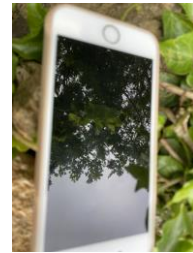


Can you help? Kestrels are working on a play of Midsummer Night's Dream, however we are unable to perform this to parents due to Covid restrictions. Is there anyone with the necessary expertise and equipment who would be able to help us record this for parents?

Many thanks

Photography Competition

Last week's winners on the theme of reflections are Arthur and Jessie. Congratulations, what super photos!



Ground level



Have a play around to see how things look different from ground level.

- ☒ You may have to lie down on the grass or sand - if it's wet, lie on a raincoat.
- ☒ Imagine what the world looks like from a centipede's point of view
- ☒ Move your camera around to see what looks good



This week's competition is all about how things look different at ground level.

All you need to do once you have your chosen picture upload it to your class's Google Classroom by Wednesday.

Have fun and enjoy being creative!

Florence made £117 on Bramble's Biscuit sale for the PTA. I think Bramble our Chief Taster was a little confused that all her biscuits seemed to be disappearing! However we explained it was for a good cause!



Science week 2021! BEES and BUGS!

Both bases at Churchfields have been hives of activity this week. The classes have been buzzing with excitement, as the children have engaged in a whole host of learning activities about our busy friends - BEES.

We welcomed Jane, 'The Bee Lady' into school on Tuesday morning, when she gave a fascinating presentation to each of our three 'bubbles' about bees and bee keeping. Children have been researching bees, learning about their life cycles, making bee and bug hotels and designing bee friendly gardens, writing persuasive posters and filming promotional videos, as well as creating 'waggle dances' and wonderful art and crafts around a busy bee theme. On Wednesday the children all looked terrific in their colourful outfits and bug themed clothes - well done everyone for your efforts and inventiveness. What a bright and happy bunch you all looked! A few photos are posted here but do take a look on the School Facebook page for more. It was also great to hear that some children have been inspired to continue their learning at home too. For instance, George and Anna made a bug pond after school! The week has certainly highlighted how vital bees and other pollinators are to our welfare and very existence!

Huge thanks to all the teachers for planning and delivering such a great week and to the children for their enthusiasm and interest.

Mrs Liddiard (Science Lead)



Falcons have also concentrated their observation skills on creating detail in their art work of bees. The children used images to recreate work, which will form a honeycomb display.



Thanks to Jane the children found out lots about bees and their hives. Did you know there could be up to 60,000 bees in one hive alone! The children asked lots of questions, I think we may have a few budding bee keepers when they are older!



Summer Reading Challenge



As you may recall last summer the Summer Reading Challenge (SRC) was entirely online. This year it is back in the library albeit in a slightly different way!

Aimed at 4-11 year olds the Summer Reading Challenge is FREE to join, the only requirement is to be a library member. Joining the library is also FREE. If children are not already members, parents or carers can join them up to the library easily – all they will need is a proof of their local address.

This year the challenge (which is absolutely free) will run from Saturday 10th July until Saturday 4th September. We will be running it slightly differently to previous years, giving out complete packs of materials to take away (rather than children visiting regularly to collect items), please see our [website](#) for more details about how to get hold of a pack.

If they prefer, children will be able to take part in the challenge online at: summerreadingchallenge.org.uk. Here, they will also find games, competitions, book recommendations and much more to inspire them.

The theme of the challenge this year is Wild World Heroes - The Reading Agency has teamed up with WWF to encourage children across the country to engage in fun reading activity focused on environmental issues. In addition libraries will also be running a 'Climate action' fun activity, with prizes for some lucky participants!

Children will need a library card to borrow books (and eBooks), for more information on joining the library and all Wiltshire library services visit: wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries or email: libraryenquiries@wiltshire.gov.uk



Sunday 04 July 10am - 2pm

Table top sale with many toys, games, books and 'preloved' school uniform.

Ice lollies available as refreshment

Location Churchfields Atworth Base



active trowbridge



Active Kids Camp

26th July 2021 - 27th August 2021

John of Gaunt

STANDARD DAY
9AM - 3:15PM £17 PER DAY

EXTENDED DAY
8AM - 4PM £20.60 PER DAY



SCAN ME



Eat Well For Less? are currently casting for their 8th series and are looking for families / households who would like to eat well and save some money on their weekly shop. They would love to hear from you if you think you would like to take part. Here is the message they sent us.

"The show is on a mission to prove that it is possible for families and households to **save money** on their food budget **without scrimping on taste and nutrition**. We hope that by analysing the shopping habits of UK families, we can help to show where they can source the best and cheapest quality food."

The 'Eat Well For Less?' Casting Team

Get in touch to apply or find out more!

Call: 0117 970 7632

or **e-mail:** eatwell@rdfttelevision.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/EatWellForLess

Twitter: @EatWellForLess

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Churchfields School Needs You!!

Churchfields Primary School is currently looking for local people to fill a number of vacancies on its governing body. We are an aspirational school that is keen to capitalise on recent successful inspections and provide the best possible education for the children in our community.

School governors work with the school's senior leadership team to set strategic direction, monitor school performance and ensure the school's budget is well spent. The governing body ensures that our school provides the best possible education for our pupils. You don't have to be a parent to apply, and schools are looking for skilled volunteers from all backgrounds.

We are particularly interested in applications from people with experience in governance, HR, education, finance, or business management, and who can occasionally visit the school during the day.

You can make a positive contribution to your community, by becoming a school governor!



If you are interested or know of somebody else who would be then please contact the school office for an application form on **01225 703026** or via email at admin@churchfields.wilts.co.uk

For more information on the role, please contact:
Ed Latimer-Sayer : chair@churchfields.wilts.co.uk
(Chair of Governors)
Simon Fitcher : head@churchfields.wilts.co.uk
(Head teacher)

Churchfields School is in Atworth and Monkton Farleigh.



At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one app of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.



TikTok is a video-sharing social media app which lets people create, view and download looping 15-second clips. Typically, these are videos of users lip-syncing and dancing to popular songs or soundbites (often for comic purposes), enhanced with filters, effects and text. Designed with young people in mind, TikTok skyrocketed in popularity in 2019 and has featured near the top of download charts ever since. It now has around 800 million active users worldwide.

AGE RESTRICTION
12+
If under 18, supervision of a parent or legal guardian required.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know About



TIKTOK



AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Most videos appearing on a child's feed are light-hearted and amusing. However, some clips have been reported for featuring drug and alcohol abuse, themes of suicide and self-harm, or young teens acting in a sexually suggestive way. The sheer volume of uploads is impossible to moderate entirely – so it is possible for a child to be exposed to explicit and age-inappropriate content.

EXPLICIT SONGS

TikTok primarily revolves around videos of users lip-syncing and dancing to music. Inevitably, some featured songs will contain explicit or suggestive lyrics. Given the app's young user-base, there is a risk that children may view older users' videos and want to imitate any explicit language or suggestive actions.

TIKTOK FAME

The app has created its own celebrities: Charli D'Amelio and Lil Nas X, for example, were catapulted to fame by exposure on TikTok – leading to many more teens attempting to go viral and become "TikTok famous". While most aspiring stars hoping to be "the next big thing" will find it difficult, setbacks may in turn prompt them to go to even more drastic lengths to get noticed.

HAZARDOUS VISIBILITY

Connecting with others is simple on TikTok – including commenting on and reacting to users' videos, following their profile and downloading their content. The majority of these interactions are harmless, but – because of its abundance of teen users – TikTok has experienced problems with predators contacting young people.

ADDICTIVE NATURE

Like all social media, TikTok is designed to be addictive. It can be hugely entertaining – but that also makes it hard to put down. As well as the punchy nature of the short video format, the app's ability to keep you intrigued about what's coming next mean it's easy for a 5-minute visit to turn into a 45-minute stay.

IN-APP PURCHASES

There's an in-app option to purchase 'TikTok coins', which are then converted into digital rewards for sending to content creators that a user likes. Prices range from 98p to an eye-watering £99 bundle. Buying coins is now restricted to over-18s – but TikTok doesn't require users to verify their age on sign up, so a young person could easily access this feature if they were determined to.



Advice for Parents & Carers

TALK ABOUT ONLINE CONTENT

Assuming your child is above TikTok's age limit, talk to them about what they've viewed on the app. Ask their opinion on what's appropriate and what isn't. Explain why they shouldn't give out personal details or upload videos which reveal information like their school or home address. In the long run, teaching them to think critically about what they see on TikTok could help them to become social-media savvy.

MAINTAIN PRIVACY SETTINGS

In early 2021, TikTok changed the default setting for all under 18s accounts to 'private'. Keeping it that way is the safest solution: it means only users who your child approves can watch their videos. The 'Stitch' (which lets users splice clips from other people's videos into their own) and 'Duet' (where you build on another user's content by recording your own video alongside their original) features are now only available to over 18s. This might clash with your child's ambitions of social media stardom, but it will fortify their account against predators.

LEARN ABOUT REPORTING AND BLOCKING

With the correct privacy settings applied, TikTok is a relatively safe space. However, in case something does slip through, make sure your child knows how to recognise and report inappropriate content and get them to come to you about anything upsetting that they've seen. TikTok allows users to report anyone breaching its guidelines, while you can also block individual users through their profile.

ENABLE FAMILY SAFETY MODE

'Family Safety Mode' lets parents and carers link their own TikTok account to their child's. Through your mobile, you can control your child's safety settings remotely – including limiting screen time, managing their ability to exchange messages (and with whom) and blocking a lot of age-inappropriate content. TikTok refreshed its Safety Centre in May 2021, providing new resources for parents and carers to support online safety among families. These resources can be found on their website.

USE RESTRICTED MODE

In the app's 'Digital Wellbeing' section, you can filter out inappropriate content (specific content creators or hashtags, for instance) using 'Restricted Mode'. This can then be locked with a PIN. You should note, though, that the algorithm moderating content isn't totally dependable – so it's wise to stay aware of what your child is watching.

MODERATE SCREEN TIME

As entertaining as TikTok is, you can help your child to manage their time on it in the 'Digital Wellbeing' section. Under 'Screen Time Management', you can limit the daily permitted time on the app (in increments ranging from 40 minutes to two hours). This preference can also be locked behind a PIN. That way, your child can get their regular dose of TikTok without wasting the whole day.

Meet our expert



Parveen Kaur is a social media expert and digital media consultant who is passionate about improving digital literacy for parents and children. She has extensive experience in the social media arena and is the founder of Kids N Clicks: a web resource that helps parents and children thrive in a digital world.

SOURCES: www.tiktok.com


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Term 6	
Sunday 04 Jul	PTA Table Top Sale 10am – 2pm Atworth base
Tuesday 06 July	R21 induction afternoon
Thursday 08 July	Year 6 pupils Induction at St Laurence whole day
Friday 09 July	Sports afternoon 1pm -3:15pm
Tuesday 13 July	R21 induction afternoon & Teddy Bear's picnic
Tuesday 13 July	Yr. 6 Transition Day Melksham Oak
Thursday 15 July	Year 5 taster Day St Laurence School whole day
Friday 16 July	Provisional Sports Day
Friday 16 July	Pupil Reports go home
Monday 19 July to Wednesday 21 July	Sports Week
Monday 19 July	Y6 Leavers' celebration
Wednesday 21 July	Last Day Term 6
Thursday 22 July	INSET DAY
Friday 23 July	INSET DAY

INSET DAYS 2021/2022

Wednesday 01 September

Tuesday 04 January

Friday 08 April

Monday 06 June

Monday 25 July

