

## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

The teaching staff are very much looking forward to sharing how your children are progressing this academic year on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October. Now COVID-19 restrictions have eased, we are pleased to be able to offer these in school again.

We will be using the same online booking system as last year to avoid parents needing to congregate around a sign-up sheet. Please see the accompanying **Parents' Evening Guidance** for further information.

At present, it is our policy that adult visitors to our school wear a mask when moving around the school although you may remove it once seating in your meeting which will be socially distanced. Parents who would prefer not to meet in person or do not wish to wear a mask in school, may sign up for a video call. These have been designated as the final hour for each evening.

Thank you for your continued support which is very much appreciated.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.

## Ask...and The Big Answer

Earlier this year, The Children's Commissioner asked all children in England to complete a survey, to show the true voice of this generation. The results are in and The Children's Commissioner would like to say thank you. Over half a million children responded, the largest survey of its kind in history, and at a landmark moment for young people growing up in this country.

At a critical time, as we emerge from the pandemic, children have told us how the past year has affected them and what needs to happen now to put them at the heart of the recovery. Despite the sacrifices they have made, the majority of children say they are happy.

Children were united – they told us they want to get back to school, to get on, and do well. To have fulfilling lives. Children cared deeply about their family, their communities, and their wellbeing and are an ambitious, excited generation. They want to make a contribution to a better world, a greener world, rooted in fairness of opportunity for everyone. The Children's Commissioner is now making sure children are being heard.

You can read the full report [here](#).

## Mathletics

35 certificates this week - well done everyone. And a gold for Theo! Super effort -

we know how much hard work that represents.

**GOLD:** Theo

**SILVER:** Theo, Oliver CJ, Maddox, Livinia, Violet

**BRONZE :** Theo, Ezra, Benjamin, Oliver CJ, Olivia, Florence, Ethan, Josiah, Alexis, Maddox, Hector G, Henry H, Oliver H, Isla, Emily J, William J, Leighton, Livinia, Ted L, Vinnie, Violet, Joseph, Rupert, George R, Isabella R, Imogen W, Heidi, Alice, Wilfred



Book Week 27th - 1st October 2021

## Book Week Competition

We have an exciting reading competition running throughout Book Week next week. As our theme for the week is 'Around the World in 80 Books', all classes will be reading stories from other cultures and countries and we are encouraging children at home to do the same. Your child will have received a bookmark with space to record four different books they have read over the week at home, asking them to write down the country the story is set in. For every book they read, they will get a sticker from their teacher to stick on their bookmark. All completed bookmarks will be entered into a prize draw at the end of the week with a chance to win a brand-new book! There will be a prize for EYFS and KS1 and one for KS2.

Happy reading!

## Second-hand book swap

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September

We will be holding a Book Swap on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at both bases, so if you are able to bring in a well-loved book that can be enjoyed by someone else that would be wonderful. In return, all children will be able to choose a new book to take home and enjoy.

Contact details:  
E: [admin@churchfields.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@churchfields.wilts.sch.uk)  
T: 01225 703026  
[www.churchfields.wilts.sch.uk](http://www.churchfields.wilts.sch.uk)



**Churchfields**  
The Village School  
Atworth ☞ Monkton Farleigh

## Parents' Evening Guidance

- Whether you wish to meet in person or by video, please book an appointment to see your child's classteacher at <https://parents-booking.co.uk/churchfieldsvillage> you do not need a password, simply use your child's name and date of birth to sign in. Contact the school office on [admin@churchfields.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@churchfields.wilts.sch.uk) or 01225 703026 if you encounter any problems.
- All meetings will be carried out in person with parents wearing masks when moving around the school, and social distancing when sat in the meeting.
- If you do not wish to wear a mask in school or would like to meet by video link, we have designated the final hour for each evening for this.

If you are meeting in person:

- Arrive no more than 10 minutes before your appointment.
- Wear a mask and socially distance from other parents where possible.
- You may remove your mask once you are seated in your meeting as you will be socially distanced from one another.
- Put your mask back on after your meeting ends until you leave the school.

If you are meeting by video link:

- Before your meeting is due to start, log on to your account to check everything is ready to go. We have found that it is best to use Google Chrome web browser for this if using your PC/laptop. Internet Explorer does not always work.
- Ensure your webcam and speaker/microphone (or headset) is set up and you have given your web browser access permission if required (often found under 'privacy' settings).
- Several minutes before your meeting, a blue 'JOIN VIDEO APPOINTMENT' button will appear in your parents' booking account. Click this then wait for the teacher to finish their previous meeting. You will then be connected automatically.
- If you are unable to connect with your child's classteacher during the time of your appointment due to technical issues, this will be logged by them and you will be contacted by the school office the following day to rebook. Please do not telephone the school at the time.
- Appointments are ten minutes in length. In order to prevent you from having to wait at your computer, etc. for your meeting to start, the system will start and end every appointment on time. A timer will be shown during your video call to inform you how much time you have left. All teachers are very willing to continue any important discussions if necessary outside of your

designated slot at another mutually convenient date and time.

### Booking Dates & Timings:

- The appointment evenings available for are Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October for all classes at both bases.
- Bookings can be made for these evenings using the online system from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October:

	In-Person	Video
Atworth	3:30pm – 6:10pm	6:30pm – 7:30pm
Monkton Farleigh	3:15pm – 5:55pm	6:15pm – 7:15pm

### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October:

	In-Person	Video
Atworth	3:30pm – 4:40pm	5pm – 6pm
Monkton Farleigh	3:15pm – 4:25pm	4:45pm – 5:45pm

## Nasal Flu Immunisation

We have been advised by the school age immunisation team that the nasal flu immunisations for our school will now not take place until **January 2022**. However, they are aware there are some children that, due to an underlying medical condition, are at increased risk from the flu virus – if you believe that your child is in the category and you would like the opportunity to book them into an early community clinic please contact their single point of access (SPA) on 0300 247 0082 or [vcl.immunisations@nhs.net](mailto:vcl.immunisations@nhs.net).

Please note this is an extremely busy time for the team phones and therefore if you are struggling to get through please don't hesitate to contact them via e-mail and someone will return your call.





## PTA Meeting Autumn/Winter Fundraising 2021

**Tuesday 28th September 7.30pm**

**The White Hart Pub, Atworth**

We would love to see as many volunteers as possible at our next PTA meeting. If you are new to Churchfields Atworth and Monkton Farleigh, perhaps you'd like to come along to see what ideas we have, maybe you have some to share. We welcome all for a relaxed evening, scheduled as above. Georgie, Emma and Churchfields PTA.

## Missing Book

This is a request to anyone with children in Key Stage 2 who came to a book worm's club session with Mrs Neal to please check and see if they have the "Enid Blyton Secret Seven Adventure" book. The book was borrowed from a public library and they are now asking for its return.

If found please could you return it to the school office so we can get it back to the public library as soon as possible.

**Save the date!**

**Tuesday 05 October is individual school photo day**

Tempest Photographers are coming into school on Tuesday 05 October. They will be at Atworth in the morning before heading over to Monkton Farleigh.



Hope debt advice service which supported people by phone and email has returned to meeting people at the Hub and appointments can be made. For more

information on The Hub services click [here](#).

The poster features a colorful background with a string of bunting at the top. On the right, the 'spurgeons children's charity' logo is displayed. Below the bunting, the text reads 'For families with children 0-5'. The main title 'Children's Oral Health' is written in large, bold letters, with a cartoon tooth character on the left and a toothbrush on the right. Below the title, it says 'We will share information and top tips about how to look after your little one's gums & teeth.' At the bottom, there is a section for an 'Online Session on 29th Sept 2021 at 10:00AM.' with contact information for Wiltshire Children's Centres. Illustrations of children brushing their teeth are shown at the bottom right.

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For more information and to book your space contact Wiltshire Children's Centres on 0800 970 4669

Online Session on 29th Sept 2021 at 10:00AM.



TERM 1 Key Dates	
Monday 27 September – Friday 01 October	Book Week
Tuesday 28 September	Book Swap
Wednesday 29 September	Bedtime Stories 6-7pm both bases
Thursday 30 September	Nightingale Class Swimming Blue pool
Friday 01 October	Book Character dress up day
Friday 01 October	Share a story Session Atworth from 2:30 Monkton Farleigh from 2:15
Tuesday 05 October	Tempest Photography Individual Photos
Thursday 07 October	Nightingale Class Swimming Blue pool
Friday 08 October	KS2 Bristol Trip
Monday 11 – Friday 15 October	<b>No teacher led clubs</b>
Tuesday 12 October	Parents' Evening until 7:30pm
Thursday 14 October	Atworth Open Day (10am – 2pm)
Thursday 14 October	Nightingale Class Swimming Blue pool
Thursday 14 October	Parents' evening until 6:00pm
Friday 15 October	Monkton Farleigh Open Day (10am – 2pm)
Tuesday 19 October	Harvest Festival Atworth Church (1:15pm)
<b>Wednesday 20 October</b>	<b>End of term 1</b>

**INSET DAYS 2021/2022**    **Tuesday 04 January**    **Friday 08 April**    **Monday 06 June**    **Friday 22 July**

