

Churchfields' Weekly Newsletter

Friday 16 December 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Despite the plunging temperatures, Christmas celebrations have continued this week with our carol service, carol singing and disco. We are certainly now in the festive mood and delighted the whole school community has been able to share in some of this magic. The PTA have worked incredibly hard this season and I would like to express my gratitude to them for the tangible difference they make to our pupils by raising much needed funds. A massive thank you also to staff who have given their time freely to support these events.

The temperatures are set to rise again over the next few days which is a blessing, particularly in light of rising energy costs. This should make it safer for those travelling over the start of the Christmas period at least. Whatever it is you are doing over the Christmas and New Year period, I hope it brings you joy. We look forward to children returning to us on Wednesday 4th January.

Merry Christmas!

Simon Fletcher.

Open the book Monkton Farleigh

The children at Monkton Farleigh visited St Peter's Church on a cold and frosty Thursday morning. We had our Open the book story based on the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. The children then placed their Christmas decorations they had made from natural resources onto the Nativity Tree. All children were lucky to receive a knitted decoration in return. What a lovely way to celebrate the festive season in church.



Wild about Reading Competition!

Thank you to all the children who took part in our recent 'Wild about Reading' competition. It was overwhelmingly clear from the sheer quantity of entries that children at Churchfields love to read and are wonderfully inventive with the places that they take their favourite books!

Congratulations to Alexis G! Her winning entry was of her wrapped up warm in a peaceful woodland – it was simply magical. Thank you to Mr B's Emporium in Bath who have kindly sponsored our competition with a £10 book voucher for our winner to spend on a new book of her choice!

It was incredibly hard to judge the competition, so in Term 3, a display of all the creative and nature-inspired entries will be springing up at each base, celebrating the love of books we all share. Well done everyone!

We look forward to the 6th March when we will be celebrating World Book Day. Pop the date in your calendars and look out for more news soon about our plans for this special day!



Mathletics

Congratulations to Sammy who has earned a gold certificate this week. Excellent work, and another mathlete at the top of the podium for Team Woodpeckers!

GOLD: Sammy B

SILVER: Sammy B, Oliver CJ, Hattie, Coralie, Livinia

BRONZE : Sammy B, Oliver CJ, Hattie, Teddy E, Josiah, Alexis, Maddox, Hector G, Coralie, Rufus, Oliver H, Leighton, Livinia, Ted L, Vinnie, Morgan, Harry, George R, Scarlett



TERM DATES FOR 2022 – 2023

<p>Term 1: Thursday 1 September – Wed 19 October</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 01 September – children back to school Wednesday 19 October – INSET DAY (school closed) 	<p>Term 4: Monday 20 February – Friday 31 March</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 20 February – children back to school Friday 31 March – INSET DAY (school closed)
<p>Term 2: Monday 31 October – Friday 16 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 31 October – children back to school 	<p>Term 5: Monday 17 April – Friday 26 May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 17 April – children back to school Monday 1 May – Bank holiday (school closed) Monday 08 May – Bank holiday (school closed)
<p>Term 3 Tuesday 03 January – Friday 10 February</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday 03 January – INSET DAY (school closed) Wednesday 04 January – children back to school 	<p>Term 6: Monday 5 June – Tuesday 25 July</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 05 June – children back to school Monday 24 July – INSET DAY (school closed) Tuesday 25 July – INSET DAY (school closed)

Diary Dates Term 3

DATE	EVENT
Tuesday 02 January 2023 INSET DAY School closed to pupils	
Wednesday 03 January	Term 3 Begins
No GEM Learner Friday 06 January	
Tuesday 10 January	WOW DAY
Thursday 12 January	Falcon Class Swimming AM
Thursday 19 January	Falcon Class Swimming AM
Thursday 26 January	Falcon Class Swimming AM
Thursday 02 February	Falcon Class Swimming AM
Monday 06 February – Friday 10 February E-Safety Week	
Tuesday 07 February	West Wilts Dance Festival at the Forum Bath
Thursday 09 February	Falcon Class Swimming
Friday 10 February	End of Term 3



St Peter's Church Christmas Eve

At 3.45pm on Christmas Eve a lantern procession led by Hector, the Shetland pony, will start from Monkton Farleigh Village Hall and process to St Peter's church, Monkton Farleigh.

The crib service will follow at 4.00pm at the church.

All angels, shepherds, kings etc. are welcome and forget your lanterns and torches.