# Churchfields' Weekly Newsletter

Friday 06 January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school! I hope you had a lovely Christmas however it was spent.

Children have come back to school with such enthusiasm about the year ahead! We look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure they continue to have the best school experience possible despite much of the turmoil happening in the world around us.

I am saddened to announce that Mrs Hilary Morgan from the office will be leaving Churchfields at the end of January to take up a new job outside of school-based settings. She has been an administration officer at the school since 2017, and involved in the school for some time before that. Mrs Morgan will be sorely missed and I would like to thank her for all her hard work during her time with us. I am sure you would wish to join me in wishing Mrs Morgan every success in her new job.

Kind regards,

Simon Futcher.

#### **WorkWiltshire Website**

WorkWiltshire is a Wiltshire Council website covering access to information, courses and support in a variety of areas including family and community learning, support into employment and support for those with barriers to work. They offer a range of courses to help parents and carers to support their child's mental health and wellbeing. Parent/carer support course topics include phonics games and help, coping with anxiety and worry, building resilience, and preparing for changes and transitions to primary school and to secondary school. To find out more and explore this website click here.

Courses are funded by the Education and Skills Funding Agency. Courses are no cost to you if you:

Are 19+ <u>and</u> have been a resident in UK/EU for 3+years (refugees\* / asylum seekers / have right to remain status are exempt from the 3-year residency requirement)

<u>And</u> you either have less than 5 GCSEs grades A-C, are in receipt of benefits, a military family or you may have other issues that joining a course could help you with.

You might be stuck in a rut or going through a difficult time? The family and community learning team want to hear from people who are unsure about if they can join, and they are always happy to talk things through.

To get in touch either email

<u>familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk</u> or call the team on 01225 770478, leave a voicemail and they will call you back to have a chat.



The holiday season has not prevented some keen mathletes from keeping up their favourite online learning and we even

have yet another gold certificate! Well done Josiah - you've worked really hard to achieve this over a long period of time. Super work mathletes!

GOLD: Josiah

SILVER: Josiah, Morgan, Alexis, Maddox

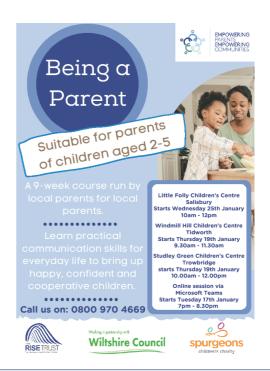
**BRONZE:** Oliver CJ, Tegan, Ava, Josiah, Alexis, Maddox, Hector G, Oliver H, William, Leighton, Livinia, Morgan, Kaan, Martha Sm, Clara, Benjamin, Oliver CJ, Alexis, Maddox, Emily J, Oliver CJ, Alexis, Maddox, William J

#### School term dates consultation

Term dates for Community and Voluntary Controlled schools are set by the Local Authority in consultation with neighbouring Authorities, schools, groups representing school staff and parents/carers.

Previous consultations have indicated an overwhelming wish for schools to retain a calendar of 195 days and to permit the setting of five staff development days within term time dates. There have also been discussions with other Local Authorities in the Southwest Region in order to align as far as possible, common proposed dates. It has been agreed by Schools Joint Consultative Committee to consult on two options for 2024/2025.

The Local Authority welcome your views as parents/carers on the calendar being proposed for Wiltshire's Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools for 2024/2025. Please click <a href="https://www.nee.gov.ne







### <u>TERM DATES FOR 2022 – 2023</u>

Term 1: Thursday 1 September – Wed 19 October  Thursday 01 September – children back to school Wednesday 19 October – INSET DAY (school closed)	<ul> <li>Term 4: Monday 20 February – Friday 31 March</li> <li>Monday 20 February – children back to school</li> <li>Friday 31 March – INSET DAY (school closed)</li> </ul>
Term 2: Monday 31 October – Friday 16 December  • Monday 31 October – children back to school	Term 5: Monday 17 April – Friday 26 May  Monday 17 April – Children back to school  Monday 1 May – Bank holiday (school closed)  Monday 08 May – Bank holiday (school closed)
Term 3 Tuesday 03 January – Friday 10 February  Tuesday 03 January – INSET DAY (school closed)  Wednesday 04 January – children back to school	Term 6: Monday 5 June – Tuesday 25 July  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 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
Tuesday 31 January	Spirituality Day
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