### Churchfields' Weekly Newsletter

Friday 06 January 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope the weather of the last few days has not negatively impacted you too much. It is a welcome relief to see a break in the rain, at least at the time of writing!

Thank you for all the positive comments we have received about last week's first Curriculum Enrichment afternoon. I visited every group across both bases and was impressed to see the enthralling activities the teachers had planned for them, ably supported by teaching assistants where necessary. Every child was fully engaged in their learning and thrilled to be working with children they might not usually have the chance to. Woodpecker class demonstrated admirable maturity in dealing with the planned changes, and thoroughly enjoyed their learning time with Mrs Genner and Mrs Evans over last and this week. Several children have made a point of speaking to me about how much they are enjoying the new feel to their week which was delightful to hear. I would like to thank all our pupils for taking these changes in their stride and making the most of all the new opportunities. My heartfelt thanks also to staff for their committed approach to planning and teaching in these novel ways to secure these enriching educational experiences for our children.

Please do take the time to read the governors' newsletter which contains important information about the recent school vision work. Thank you to all members of the community who have taken the time to feed into this work which is most appreciated.

Kind regards,

Simon Futcher.



An unusual week with no gold certificates, but still plenty of children working really hard on

their maths. Congratulations to all of you. It really does make a difference!

SILVER: Bodhi B, Bodhi C, Rufus, Harry, Kaan

**BRONZE :** Bodhi B, Bodhi C, Oliver CJ, Tegan, Teddy E, Alexis G, Maddox, Rufus, Oliver H, Maddy J, Emily J, William, Leighton, Livinia, Ted L, Vinnie, Morgan, Harry, Alexis M, Christina, Anna, George P, Alex S, Kaan, Isabella

#### Message from David Pritchard School Governor

Hi Everyone,

Happy New Year and welcome to 2023.

Further to my message sent to you all before Christmas, I would like to thank all those who responded to our questionnaire. We canvassed all those who are key to Churchfields for their opinions and we received a good number of responses. The school took time to ask their pupils for their opinion about the Vision of the school. The children engaged with the process and it was excellent to get their views and insights. The results of the poll were that the current vision was seen as the most appropriate as it epitomised what all the stakeholders would like to the school to aspire and continue to be.

Please find the results in order of the percentage of the vote.

- Churchfields, the Village School's is a Church of England school at the heart of two communities, inspiring learners to become Reflective – Resourceful – Resilient - 26%
- Through creative teaching and an inspirational curriculum in a nurturing environment, children at Churchfields will develop the confidence, understanding and ability to shape a bright future for themselves and the world. – 19%
- Our vision is to create a safe and inclusive learning community where all children will be motivated to achieve their potential – 18%
- To be kind to ourselves, each other and our world 15%
- To provide a safe and nurturing environment where every child can reach their full potential through a love of learning – 11%
- Every child has a safe, happy and inspiring learning journey – 11%
- Churchfields aims to provide a nurturing and creative learning environment that enhances children's social, physical and academic development in preparation for their future lives. We value our individual pupils, staff and the wider school community for the breadth and variety of their talents and aim to encourage the growth and development of each pupil – 0%

We will continue to use the current vision but we will also look to incorporate some of the ideas from the other proposed visions within our Aims.

Thank you again for your participation.

David Pritchard





#### TERM DATES FOR 2022 - 2023

<ul> <li>Term 1: Thursday 1 September – Wed 19 October</li> <li>Thursday 01 September – children back to school</li> <li>Wednesday 19 October – INSET DAY (school closed)</li> </ul>	<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
Wednesday 18 January	Woodpecker Class Indoor Cricket 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





## MY SCIENCE FAIR SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2023

### CALLING ALL YOUNG SCIENTISTS!

Join us for a free, fun-packed day of workshops and activities exploring the worlds of music and science at Wiltshire Music Centre!



#### TAKE PART IN THE MSF23 PROJECT COMPETITION!

- **DESIGN** your very own investigation about ocean sounds, planets, atoms or light!
- GET ADVICE from real scientists from the University of Bath
- PRESENT your findings at MY SCIENCE FAIR 2023

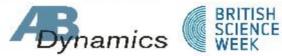


Sign up by MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 2023 — PLACES ARE LIMITED

You do not need to know your project before you sign up! Our team of scientists can help you design and create your investigations at our Drop-in sessions

Learn more at: www.wiltshiremusic.org.uk/msf









## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

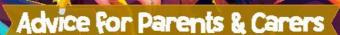
WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

#### ALWAYS ONLINE

#### REGULAR EXPANSIONS

#### **VOICE AND TEXT CHAT**

#### SIMULATED VIOLENCE



#### MANAGE PLAYTIME

### IAKE IT A REWARD

#### SIGN UP FOR THE FREE TRIAL

#### REMEMBER THE AGE RATING

#### ADVENTURE TOGETHER

### Meet Our Expert









National Online Safety









## St Laurence School Presents

Mental
Health
and
Wellbeing
Fair

# Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

3.15pm-4.30pm

in our School Hall

Attend our community event to meet the local people who can support your mental health and wellbeing



For full details of the event visit

www.st-laurence.com/newsandevents