

Dear Parent/Carer,

It was wonderful to see how children's imagination took on the challenge of dressing as an example of onomatopoeia for World Book Day yesterday! Seeing so many visual examples of descriptive words that sound like what they describe will undoubtedly support children's future writing. The children were thrilled to watch a performance of 'Paddington' by [Music for Miniatures](#). Authored by Michael Bond, this family favourite book series led to tremendously successful television series and films, and was a wonderful choice to celebrate World Book Day to further provoke children's love of reading. Thanks to Mrs Nikita Reid for organising such an inspiring, educationally rich day for our pupils.

We look forward to welcoming parents/carers into school on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March for our spring term parent-teacher meetings. These will be the final parents' evening of the academic year as parents will instead receive an end of year report in the summer term. We encourage all parents to take advantage of these meetings as they are an opportunity to receive an update on how your child has progressed in all areas of school life and how we can work together to support them further. I will be based at Monkton Farleigh on the Tuesday, and Atworth on the Thursday for any parents that would like to speak with me during their visit. Sign-up sheets will be available from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

Finally, please can we request that children do not bring their water bottles to school in their book bags as they can have a tendency to leak. Two of our brand new books have been rendered virtually unusable this way just this week. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Kind regards,

Simon Futcher.

## Mathletics

Wow! Yet another mathlete who has achieved his gold certificate - well done to Leighton. I know you work hard every week to keep up your maths. Lots of silver

certificates this week for Puffins, proving the youngest children in the school are also keen mathematicians.

**GOLD:** Leighton

**SILVER:** Bodhi C, Josiah, Oliver H, Leighton, Christina, Joseph, Maggie

**BRONZE :** Bodhi B, Sam B, Theo, Oscar BH, Bodhi C, Ezra, Josiah, Alexis G, Maddox, Oliver H, William J, Leighton, Livinia, Vinnie, Quita, Morgan, Harry, Alexis M, Christina, Joseph, George R, Isabella R, Harley, Alex S, Kaan, Harrison, Iris, Maggie, Branwen,

## Year Six Parents/Carers:

As you are aware, your child will be taking their SATs in May. We will be holding an information session on **Monday 13th March**. This will be a chance to go through the events in SATs week, the papers taken and what the week will look like for the children.

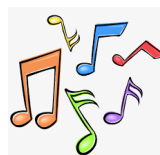
There will be a presentation that can be available after the session. We would like to encourage parents to come along as questions other parents have maybe ones you yourselves have.

The details are as follows for Monday 13th March:

**-Monkton Farleigh at 3pm** with Mrs Croker

**-Atworth at 3:15pm** with Miss Ottner

The session will last no more than 45 minutes.



## Easter Concert

We will be holding our annual concert on Friday 24th March at 2.30pm at the Atworth base. This is an opportunity for those children

who have instrumental and vocal lessons to hone their performance skills (and for the rest of us to enjoy them!). If you have lessons in school, your teacher will talk to you if they think you have some suitable pieces. Children who have lessons outside of school are very welcome to perform as well. Please could you let Miss Ottner know by the end of next week (Friday 10th March) if you would like to take part.

## Missing property

A pair of black and purple sketchers (size 13) have been missing since last Wednesday. Could everyone please check at home or in PE bags to see if they have picked them up by mistake, thank you

## The case of the missing Ruby Earrings!



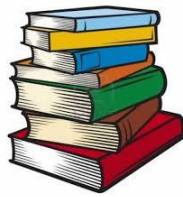
On Tuesday, students Tegan, Sam, Francis, India and Daisy went to St Laurence to solve the case of the missing Ruby Earrings with many other Year 5s from different schools. First of all we went to see the CCTV and watched it carefully for clues. We then had to study all of the suspects' movements, before going to the crime scene and doing a fingerprint analysis. Then we got to interrogate the suspects - Francis was especially good at this. Finally we gave a PowerPoint presentation to over 60 people to explain our theories. The day was really enjoyable and we wish we could do it again.

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## World book day

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March it was World Book Day; we all had to dress up as an onomatopoeia word. In the morning we watched Paddington. Two women came in and performed Paddington bear. The show was about Paddington going to the concert with Mr Gruber; Paddington managed to conduct a piece which many people loved. He left knowing what he wanted to be - a conductor. It was a terrific and awesome show which everyone loved (even the teachers). The music was fantastic and magnificent; it was like a rainbow filling the sky. Everyone thought it was an incredible performance. \*\*\*\*\* 5 stars.



By Edie, Livinia, Marley and Tegan.

(Check out the lovely picture at the bottom of the newsletter!)

**spurgeons**  
children's charity

**Make and Create!**

Join us for a **FREE** fun craft session with **Wiltshire Scrapstore** and take home a **FREE** book!

**For families of children aged 0-5 yrs**

**Book your space now!**

**Warminster Library, Three Horseshoes Walk, Warminster, BA12 9BT**  
Wednesday 8th March  
10.30-11.30am

**Marlborough Library, 91 High St, Marlborough, SN8 1HD**  
Thursday 16th March  
10.30-11.30am

**Tisbury Library, Nadder Centre, Weaveland Rd, Tisbury, Salisbury, SP3 6HJ**  
Wednesday 22nd March  
10.30-11.30am

**Mere Library, Barton Lane, Mere, BA12 6JA**  
Wednesday 29th March  
10.30-11.30am

**For more information or to book a space contact the children's centre central line on: 0800 970 4669**  
[www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk](http://www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk)

Booking for Scrapstore events will close one week before the scheduled event date

**boomkids**

**Meet the Experts is back with a brand new series and looking for expert children to take part!**

Does your child have an interesting hobby that they are extremely passionate about?

Would they like to showcase their talent and expertise on Channel 5's Milkshake?

We want to hear from entertaining and outgoing children between 7-8yrs old, of all different backgrounds and abilities.

For more information please email: [MTE@boomcymru.co.uk](mailto:MTE@boomcymru.co.uk) or call: 07436 097767

Calls to this number may incur charges. Please contact your provider for more details. We welcome applications from all sections of the community including from ethnically diverse groups. The closing date for applications is 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023. Boom will process your information in accordance with the privacy policy of the company (available on our website). Due to the high volume of responses, we cannot reply to everyone.

**MEET THE EXPERTS**

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**milkshake!**

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## TERM DATES FOR 2022 – 2023

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

DATE	EVENT
Thursday 09 March	Swimming Nightingale Class
<b>Monday 13 March – Friday 17 March STEM Week</b>	
Monday 13 March	SATS information for parents/Carers – Monkton Farleigh 3pm & Atworth 3:15pm
Tuesday 14 March	Science Day whole school Atworth Base
Thursday 16 March	Swimming Nightingale Class
Friday 17 March	Catherine Barr Scientist author visit both Bases
Friday 17 March	No GEM Learner Monkton Farleigh
Friday 17 March	Red Nose Day
<b>Monday 20 March – Friday 24 March No teacher led clubs this week</b>	
Tuesday 21 March	Parent's evening until 7:30pm
Thursday 23 March	Swimming Nightingale Class
Thursday 23 March	Parent's evening until 6pm
Friday 24 March	Easter concert 2:30 -3:30 Atworth school hall
Monday 27 March	Indoor Cricket Melksham Community Campus KS2
Tuesday 28 March	Easter Service Atworth Church 1:15pm all welcome
Thursday 30 March	Swimming Nightingale Class
Friday 31 March	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
Friday 31 March	End of term 4





World book day continued...

Wow Churchfields! You really did us proud yesterday. We celebrated the wonderful world of books and stories with a performance of *Paddington's First Concert* from Music for Miniatures. In Key Stage 1 children made Paddington biscuits and marmalade sandwiches and lots of children across the school took part in a Vocabulary parade in the afternoon. The children and teachers all really brought reading to life by dressing as their favourite onomatopoeia. Arriving at school yesterday we had meowing cats, crackling fireworks and plenty of roaring dinosaurs! Thank you to the whole school community for their time and effort in creating a really memorable day for the children.

