

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have had an enjoyable week. We are all gearing up towards a very exciting coming week, with Key Stage Two pupils' trip today getting the ball rolling. I look forward to reporting back to you next Friday...

We are also looking forward to meeting parents/carers next week on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. If you have yet to sign up, it is not too late! We encourage all parents to take up this opportunity as they are an excellent way for us to work in partnership to support your children. I will be at the Monkton Farleigh base on Tuesday, and the Atworth base on Thursday if you would like to speak with me also – no appointment necessary. I hope you find your meeting(s) worthwhile.

Children in Need is an important cause we recognise at Churchfields every year. It falls on Friday 17th November this year with a focus on children completing a 'Bearpees Challenge' (think 'burpees' exercise combined with Pudsey Bear). We have agreed to support this by allowing children to come into school on this day in something spotty (clothes/hair/face etc.) for a small donation -50p is suggested- then carry out a Bearpees-focussed activity during the day with their teacher. All donations will go to Children in Need. Although not required, if your child would like to practice Bearpees before the day, [more information can be found here](#).

I am aware that there are some tensions around parking around the Atworth base, and can empathise with the frustrations of both parents and residents. I am pleased to report that the Parish Council has listened to these concerns and are in the process of liaising with Wiltshire Council on how we can make drop off and collections times safer for pupils, and Bradford Road a calmer place to live at these times. These things always take time of course so we appreciate the patience that the school community is showing as we work together to address these concerns. I will share any further updates with you via this newsletter when I have them.

Finally, we have had several queries about the rules in relation to COVID-19 and school attendance. The current guidance indicates that children with suspected COVID-19 should remain off school for three days from the start of symptoms or a confirmed positive test. Testing is no longer required however. Children can return to school, even if they still have symptoms, providing they feel well enough and that three days has elapsed.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.

School Photos

Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Sunday 1st October 2023**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

Mathletics

Exactly 50 award-winning mathletes this week. What a fantastic start to the term. Well done all of the following who have done a fantastic job with their maths learning.

BRONZE : Sam D, India, Charlie, Alice, Emma, Niamh, Isabella S, Scarlett, William, Oliver H, Henry H, Alexis G, Josiah, Theo, Rufus, Quita, Ezra, George R, Joseph, Leighton, Bodhi PH, Freddie S, Ted E, Ted L, Vinnie, Eloise, Emily J, Iris, Francesca, Sammy B, Maddox, Teddy M, Isabella R, Harrison, Martha, Alexis M, Bodhi C, Hattie D, Maddy J, Harry L, Maggie, Anna, Branwen, Matilda, Bodhi B, Oscar BH, Sam F, Henry J, Esme, Jasper.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

St Michael's Church, Atworth
Tuesday 17 October, 1:15pm

It is our Harvest Festival on Tuesday 17 October and children are invited to bring donations of dried and tinned goods, which will be used to support the Bradford on Avon Foodbank whose support extends to Atworth and Monkton Farleigh communities. We will be welcoming donations in school for the local Foodbank from Monday 09 October until the day of our Harvest Festival. The Foodbank are grateful for all cupboard foods but are lacking currently fruit juice, sponge puddings, tinned ham, tinned meat, tuna and hot dogs/ meatballs.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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School Council Elections

It's time for School Council Elections!

If your child is interested in being part of the school council team please can you let Mrs Artus or their class teacher know.

Thank you

More information will follow



Churchfields, The Village School
Starting school in September '24 or looking for a place in-year?
OPEN DAYS
Atworth: Wednesday 11th October
Monkton Farleigh: Friday 13th October
Visit us any time between 10am and 2pm for a personalised tour of our thriving and nurturing school!
Tel: 01225 703026
Email: admin@churchfields.wiltsch.uk
Web: www.churchfields.wiltsch.uk
Headteacher: Mr Simon Fletcher



Braeside Education Centre

October Half Term Activity Days!

Adventure - Challenge - Fun
For ages: 8 – 12 years
(Siblings up to 14 years)
Drop Off - 8:30am – 9:00am
Pick Up - 4:30pm – 5:00pm
£36 per day

Thursday 19th – Climbing Day
Climbing Wall, Zip Wire and Abseiling

Friday 20th – Mixed Activity Day
Archery, Life Line, Low Ropes, Bouldering

Monday 23rd – High Ropes Day
Leap of Faith, Crate Stack, High All Aboard, Parallel Poles

Tuesday 24th – Canoeing
GPS, Problem Solving Games

Please book online by visiting
www.braeside-education.co.uk/holiday-club
Contact us for more details;
01380 722637
info@braeside-education.co.uk
Activities will run in groups, in rotation, throughout the day.

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be transferring to a secondary school in September 2024?

You must apply for a secondary school place

Apply online at wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is 12 midnight, 31 October 2023

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on **01225 713010**

For more information or to request our guide to finding a secondary school place in Wiltshire.

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For the attention of all parents

Will your child be four years old before September 2024?

You must apply for a primary school place

Apply online at wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is
12 midnight, 15 January 2024

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

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THE LAST POST

An original stage adaptation of Keith Compton's highly-acclaimed First World War novel for a family audience.

Fri 20th October 2023 - 7.30pm
Saturday 21st October 2023 - 2.30pm
Saturday 21st October 2023 - 7.30pm

'One of the best things I've ever seen! ★★★★★'

The Mission Theatre,
32 Corn Street, Bath, BA1 1JF
Bath Box Office: 01225 463362
www.bathboxoffice.org.uk

Tickets **£12**

www.hobgoblintheatrecompany.co.uk



THE LAST POST

An original stage adaptation of Keith Compton's highly-acclaimed First World War novel for a family audience.

Saturday 11th November 2023
3pm & 7.30pm

'One of the best things I've ever seen! ★★★★★'

The Wharf Theatre
The Wharf, Devizes, SN8 1EP
0333 666 8366
www.wharftheatre.co.uk
www.hobgoblintheatrecompany.co.uk

Tickets **£8-12**



ATWORTH VILLAGE HALL PRESENTS

FAMILY FUN CHOCOLATE BINGO

FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2023
6PM - 9PM

ADVANCED TICKETS £3
AT THE DOOR ON THE NIGHT £5

Contact: SUE.WINNIE@AOL.CO.UK
07711 956591

Price includes a strip of 6 bingo tickets - you can play as a family, group, in pairs or by yourself for the chance to win PRIZES in CHOCOLATE

BRING YOUR LUCKY PEN!

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
TEA • COFFEE • SQUASH • BISCUITS

All profits raised from the bingo event are for the village hall and rec.

Term dates for 2023/2024

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Churchfields' Weekly Newsletter

Friday 22 September 2023

Term 1: Monday 4 September – Wed 18 October <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friday 1 September – INSET DAY (school closed) Monday 25 September – INSET DAY (school closed) 	Term 4: Monday 19 February – Thursday 28 March <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 11 March - INSET DAY (school closed) Friday 29 March - Bank Holiday (school closed)
Term 2: Monday 30 October – Wed 20 December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 30 October - INSET DAY (school closed) 	Term 5: Monday 15 April – Friday 24 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 06 May Bank holiday (school closed)
Term 3: Thursday 04 January – Friday 09 February	Term 6: Monday 03 June – Wednesday 24 July <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 24 July - INSET DAY (school closed)

Term 1 & 2

TERM 1	
Monday 02 October – Friday 06 October	No teacher led clubs
Monday 02 October – Friday 06 October	Churchfields Book Week 2023
Monday 02 October	Early Reading Parent Information meeting Atworth Base
Monday 02 October	Character Paper Plate Parade
Tuesday 03 October	Early Reading Parent Information meeting Monkton Farleigh Base
Tuesday 03 October	Parents' evening until 7:30pm
Wednesday 04 October – Monday 09 October	Scholastic Book Fair both bases
Wednesday 04 October	Second-hand book swap
Wednesday 04 October	Year 3 Swimming

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Term 1 Continued	
Thursday 05 October	KS1 Literacy Trip
Thursday 05 October	Parents' evening until 6:00pm
Thursday 05 October – Friday 06 October	Wiltshire Air Ambulance visits
Monday 09 October	Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 11 October	Atworth Open Day
Friday 13 October	Monkton Farleigh Open Day
Tuesday 17 October	Harvest Festival Atworth Church (1:15pm)
Wednesday 18 October	End of Term 1
Term 2	
Monday 30 October	INSET DAY school closed to pupils
Tuesday 01 November	Term 2 Begins
Monday 13 November – Friday 17 November	E- Safety Week (Anti-Bullying Week)
Monday 13 November – Friday 17 November	Maths Week
Thursday 16 November – Friday 17 November	Bikeability for year sixes
Friday 17 November	Children In Need
Tuesday 05 December	KS2 Production 1:30 dress rehearsal; 4pm & 6pm @church Hall
Thursday 07 December	Fdn/KS1 Production 1:30 dress rehearsal; 4pm & 6pm @church Hall
Friday 15 December	Christmas Dinner

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Term 2 Continued	
Tuesday 19 December	Carol Service Atworth Church 1:15pm
Wednesday 20 December	End of Term 2



For families of children aged 0-5 yrs

Five To Thrive

Join us online for fun filled practical sessions where we can share ideas to develop the positive connection between you and your child.



For more information or to book a space contact the children's centre central line on: 0800 970 4669
www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk

Join us online via Microsoft Teams
Friday 29th September - Friday 20th October 2023
1.00pm - 2.00pm
1:1 support available to join online sessions