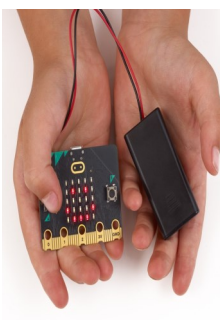




Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has seen the winter bugs return, but that hasn't stopped inspiring learning taking place. Our new Quest topics are well underway, including trips to the moon, discussions about nebulae and Mexican food tasting, to name but a few exciting opportunities. To find out more about the learning across the school this coming term, please see the class pages of our website here: [Classes](#) | [Milverton Community Primary and Pre-School \(milvertonprimary.co.uk\)](#)

Mrs Smith



In Class 3 and Computing Club, children have been experimenting with new pieces of technology - the micro:bit. The small handheld computer device enables you to code a variety of outcomes including, text, pictures, maths equations, music and games. Children investigated how hardware and software interact with each other before coding their own micro:bits. Elsie and Phoebe made code that repeated music on a loop and never stopped! Violet and Charlie made code that when clicking on different buttons, it produced different images. Frances and Mollie made code that displayed text and numbers.

Miss Downer



Whatever next! On Monday we arrived to find that we were not entering the Class R classroom, we were on the moon! A cheeky little character had crashed their 'rocket' and we had to work out what on 'Earth' had happened! We enjoyed exploring the surface of the moon using different mediums such as moon sand, shaving foam and coloured rice. We made textured moons and wrote wonderful descriptions of the moon. We're now preparing ourselves to jump off the moon and head out into space next week!

Mrs Atterton

Class 1 have taken part in the RSPB Big School's Birdwatch counting all the birds we could see in our school field for an hour. We saw all kinds of birds such as robins, crows, tits, finches and pigeons. We sent our results to the RSPB. You can



also take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch between 26th and 28th January to help build a nationwide picture of how our garden birds are faring.

Ms Boullin

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch>

Diary Dates

Forest School Wednesdays

Class 6 24th January
 Class 5 31st January
 Class 4 7th February
 Class 3 21st February
 Class 2 28th February
 Class 1 6th March
 Class R 13th March
 Pre-school 20th March
 Class 6 27th March

Class 4 Sports Festival
 Monday 5th February

MSA Valentine's Disco
 Friday 9th February

Half Term Break
 Monday 12th to Friday 16th February

Parents' Evening 1
 Thursday 7th March
 17:00—19:30

Parents' Evening 2
 Tuesday 12th March
 15:40—18:00

Year 6 Residential to Charterhouse Outdoor Activity Centre
 Tuesday 19th to Friday 22nd March

Class 5 Sports Festival
 Monday 25th March

Easter Holidays
 Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April

Art Exhibition
 Thursday 18th April

Year 5 Residential to Kilve Court Residential Centre
 Weds 1st—3rd May

Classes 3&4 Trip to Roman Baths
 Thursday 25th April

House Points	Weekly Total	Half Term
London Plane	269	643
Cork Oak	232	546
Blue Cedar	184	442
Horse Chestnut	224	565

OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Preschool	Mila for settling in so quickly and joining in with every activity!
Class R	Luca for always setting a wonderful example of good listening and for making great choices
Class 1	Toby for your excellent contributions to whole class learning.
Class 2	Senna for clearly explaining your thinking when working with money this week.
Class 3	Phoebe for your excellent coding knowledge and supporting others with their learning.
Class 4	Martha for showing great skills and control in Gymnastics.
Class 5	Noah for your outstanding attitude and improvement to your learning. Brilliant!
Class 6	Lena for your fantastic story writing this week.

WELL DONE



This week Preschool had a very frosty Forest School! We had a lot of fun wrapped up warm, though. We held a wassail and made our own juice after we found all of the ingredients that the cheeky squirrels had hidden around the trees! We cut up Christmas trees to put around the camp fire for us to walk on and roasted marshmallows. After singing to the apple trees, we fed the trees some of our wassail juice to promote their growing this year.

Charlotte

Thank you and well done to **Sidney** for playing 'Follow that Star' on the piano to the whole school in our singing assembly this week.

Ms Brooke



Over the past few weeks, Years 5 and 6 have been making scale models of our Solar System. The planets we made were Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn and even Pluto! We were put into groups and allocated a planet or planets to make. We used our mathematical skills to scale down the planets so that they were accurate in relation to each other. We used sugar paper to draw our planets, as it is larger and more sturdy. We scaled down our models by around 200,000,000cm. Jupiter still ended up being 80.4cm! Once we had cut out our planets, we painted them the correct colours according to books and websites we had access to. Finally, we stuck the two halves together and hung our planets up on our washing lines in the classroom. See if you can spot Mercury! We have really enjoyed making these scaled models of our Solar System and we think they have turned out splendidly.

by Hannah and Jessica, Year 6

NEON

MILVERTON'S

Valentine's

DISCO

FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

AT MILVERTON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Key Stage 1 & Preschool 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Key Stage 2 4.45pm - 5.45pm

£3.00 PER CHILD

HOSTED BY THE MSA

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PREMIER EDUCATION TAUNTON HOLIDAY CAMPS

Tuesday 13th and Thursday 15th February 2024
Venue: Cotford St Luke Primary School
Time: 9:30am- 3:30pm Price £21.00 each day

What we'll be getting up to...

Tuesday 13th February: Taekwondo, Nerf and Dodgeball- Patterns, hand attacks, blocks and self defence are just a handful of taekwondo techniques children will learn from our coach Sharon. Sharon is a level 3 in taekwondo and her club is represented at the National Taekwondo Poomsae championships!

The children won't just be coming home as little ninjas from the day. They'll also have an afternoon of our famous nerf and dodgeball games! Where they will make unbreakable forts and work hard as a team!



Childcare
vouchers
accepted

The fun doesn't stop there...

15th February: Gymnastics- Spend the day learning new gymnastic techniques from our amazing qualified gymnastic coaches.

They will support you doing new rolls, balances and stands. Enjoy making routines in pairs and small groups which will be presented later in the day. Try out all the school equipment!

Please wear sports/casual clothes, bring a packed lunch and soft drinks.



PREMIER EDUCATION HOLIDAY CAMP

Cotford St Luke Primary School
TA4 1HZ
Wednesday 14th February 2024



FOOTBALL/RUGBY ACTIVITY DAY

What we will get up to:

Football/ Tag Rugby skills- Working Individually or in pairs you will learn skills from the coaches. They will help you learn and improve!

Football/ Tag Rugby drills- Children will be split into groups and start practising their skills whilst also moving with the ball.

Mini games- Children will use their skills in game like situations before playing against each other in the afternoon in teams.

Football/ Tag Rugby tournament- Children will be put into teams where they will compete in a round robin tournament!



Please bring your own lunch & lots of non fizzy drink.



9:30am-
3:30pm

£21 ALL
DAY!



Please wear casual/sports clothes.

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