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School - 8.45am - 3.15pm  
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Clubs 3.15pm - 4.30pm  
Pre-School: 8am - 4.30pm

## FRIDAY FLYER

Newsletter No. 5  
9th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sad news! Sue Greenway, our Finance Officer, retires (early) at the end of this half term. I'm sure that the whole school community will really miss Sue, who has been with us since 2012. Sue has plans to enjoy many hobbies and pursuits and we hope this is au revoir, rather than goodbye!

We welcomed Laura Mansfield to our staff team this week. Laura is our new Apprentice Teaching Assistant. She will be working mostly in Class 5 and we are delighted that she has joined us.

**Mr R Stead**



Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October is World Mental Health Day and in order to mark the day the children took part in a 'Hello Yellow' day today. Each class took part in an activity designed to raise awareness about mental health and the importance of keeping healthy minds as well as healthy bodies. It was wonderful to see cheerful bursts of yellow across the school! Through a virtual assembly the children learnt about embracing and celebrating our differences, while remembering that we all have lots in common beneath the surface. We also thought about how Milverton School serves as a wonderful, warm community that is here to support each child and all the grown-ups associated with the school. There are some wonderful websites out there that offer support to adults and children:

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

<https://www.headstogether.org.uk/>

*Mrs Atterton*



### Diary Dates

#### Forest School Wednesdays:

Class 2—14th October

Class 1—21st October

Class R—4th November

*Please can children wear wellies and bring in their school shoes to change into.*

### Bikeability Dates

Class 6—12 & 13th October

Class 5 & 6—15 & 16th October

### Week beginning 19th October

Eco week: Each class will have a day where they explore activities linked to their class eco topic:

*Monday 19th Oct:* Class 5 & 6

*Tuesday 20th Oct:* Class 3 & 4

*Wednesday 21st Oct:* Class 1 & 2

*Thursday 22nd Oct:* Class R and Pre-school (in their separate bubbles)

### Inset Day

Friday 23rd October

### Half Term Break

Monday 26th to Friday 30th Oct

### Monday 30th November

Whole School Flu Vaccinations

*Please remember to give consent for your child online. Details in email from School Nurse team sent to parents via Parentmail.*

The MSA will be holding their AGM on Wednesday 14th October at 7:30pm. This will be a virtual meeting. If anyone wishes to attend will you please email [msa-somerset@outlook.com](mailto:msa-somerset@outlook.com) by the 9th October.

House Points	Weekly Total	Half Term
London Plane	142	312
Cork Oak	147	386
Blue Cedar	127	418
Horse Chestnut	145	401

### Reminder

Please can we remind you that we are a nut free school. Please ensure that you do not include any nuts or nut products in your child's snack or packed lunch. Thank you.



## OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Pre-School

*Willow* for trying really hard to write her name.  
*Leonard* and *Evie* for achieving their 10 miles certificate in the Golden Mile. Hard working little legs! Well done.

Class R

*All the Class R parents* for supporting their children with enthusiasm during our home learning time and for sharing the children's work with us.

Class 1

*Alfred* for being so engaged in his learning and for doing a wonderful presentation to the class about the things he had researched during his own learning time.

Class 2

*Boo* for her fantastic writing this week!

Class 3

*Harriet* for her excellent Maths; answering questions at every opportunity. Well done!

Class 4

*Seren* for reading lots of books at home. Well done *Seren* for being so incredibly motivated with your reading. Keep it up.

Class 5

*Mia M* for her determination and success in Maths. Great learning!

Class 6

*Tabitha* for applying her understanding of multiplication to work out challenging problem solving questions.

*Jess* and *Verity* for planning their non-chronological reports with great detail.



This week it was Class 3's turn for Forest School and we took a trip back to the Stone Age. After deciding what we needed to survive, we found our spears and went hunting for woolly mammoth. We then created shelters for our mini stone age characters (made from lolly sticks) and gave them clothes made from leaves. As well as hunting, we gathered 'food' and created a cookery programme called 'Hysterical Histories Cooking'. We created stone age jewellery and then enjoyed some (not so) Stone Age hot chocolate around the fire.

*Mrs Calnon*



Children in Years 3 and 4 have been learning about the Stone Age. The Stone Age is prehistoric so there are no written records from this time. However, one way historians find out about this time is by studying cave art. The children had great fun scavenging around the grounds for materials they could use to create their own Stone Age cave art. It was rather muddy, but as you can see, the results are fantastic.

*Mrs Nicholls*



Well done to Lettie in Class 4 for being awarded a Blue Peter badge. During lockdown, Lettie sent in an acrostic poem about Covid-19 and Blue Peter acknowledged her super work with a Blue Peter badge. Great achievement, Lettie. *Mrs Nicholls*