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FRIDAY FLYER

Newsletter No. 6
16th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is at this time of year that we would normally be making arrangements for our Autumn Term Parents' Evenings. Our advice from Somerset Local Authority, and our own risk assessments, say that this is unsafe for all. Therefore, we will be contacting parents by email after half-term to engage with you about your child's progress in school so far this academic year.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us to do our best to keep everyone safe.

Mr R Stead



At last, we have the chance for a Friday Flyer hello to Class R! Welcome to you all.

This week two groups of Year 5 and 6 took part in a Bikeability training course. First, we learnt simple maintenance such as the 'ABCCD' check, which stands for A-air, B-brakes, C-control, C-chain and D-drop. Next, we learnt skills and positions including 'pedal ready' and 'primary position' and many more. Then we cycled to Houndsmoor and practiced U-turns and skills for the road in the pouring rain. The next day, we spent all day cycling around Milverton. We then split into two groups of six, one group went back to Houndsmoor whilst the other group went to the junction by our school. Overall, this was an excellent course which was a lot of fun and was very informative.

by Verity and Tabitha, Year 6

Bikeability is a fantastic opportunity for the children in Upper Key Stage 2. It allows the children to demonstrate responsibility for checking the condition of their bikes and helps to develop independence as the children can safely ride to and from school. Thank you to Mrs Downs for organising these courses and working with the Bikeability instructors and many thanks to Mrs Bray and Mr Laphorn for giving up their time to come into school and support the children.

Miss Brown



This week it was Class 2's Forest School session and we really enjoyed our day in the sunny weather. During the morning, we followed our English instruction writing on 'How to Trap a Giant' by making small traps in the woods. We also spent time planting tree seeds, such as conkers, as a part some reforestation work with Mr Wedderkopp. In the afternoon, the children made blobsters using clay and natural resources.

Mr Penny



Diary Dates

Forest School Wednesdays:

Class 1—21st October

Class R—4th November

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

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.

Children should wear non-uniform (clothes that can get dirty) on their class eco day. If rain is forecast children also need their uniform in school to change into if they get wet.

Inset Day

Friday 23rd October

Half Term Break

Monday 26th to Friday 30th Oct

Monay 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.

Please return your lunch form on Parentmail ASAP—by Tuesday 20th Oct at the latest. Thank you.

House Points	Weekly Total	Half Term
London Plane	138	450
Cork Oak	173	559
Blue Cedar	189	607
Horse Chestnut	175	576

OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Pre-School

Holly for achieving her 10 mile certificate in the Golden Mile.
Robin for achieving his 25 mile certificate in the Golden Mile.
Benji for mastering the stilts and pedal bike in the garden.

Class R

Tom for an excellent retelling of our Little Red Hen story and brilliant Maths skills this week.

Class 1

Orla for her exceptional information text about rabbits.

Class 2

The *Whole of Class 2* for their fantastic behaviour and listening skills during Forest School.

Class 3

Stan for his enthusiasm and great ideas in our sentence work this week. Well done!

Class 4

Rory for working really hard on his handwriting and consistently producing neat work.

Class 5

Redvers and *Charlie* for their outstanding contribution to classroom learning this week.

Class 6

Oscar for contributing in all areas of the curriculum with enthusiasm and for producing a brilliant non-chronological report. Well done, Oscar!



You may remember that earlier in the year, the MSA were planning a

Colour Run Sponsored Event

following the success of last year's Milverton Mudder.

The event was unfortunately cancelled due to the Covid-19 situation, but we're pleased to say that the event is back on! We plan to run the event next **Thursday 22nd October** to mark the last day of this half term with some brightness and fun for the children. The event will take place during the school

day and the children from each bubble will take part in a fun run around the school field. They can run, jog, walk or skip and will pass through the 'Colour Station' up to five times, collecting different coloured markers on their T-shirts. We will be using powdered paint which is 100% safe and non-toxic. The product being used is skin, plant, animal and environmentally friendly and will only be used to make small marks or hand prints on the children's clothing. The manufacturer of the product have advised that the powder is washable but can't 100% eliminate the possibility of clothing being left with a colour trace. For that reason, we are **asking children to come to school with an old, over-sized T-Shirt that they can put on over their school uniform.**

In order to best demonstrate the colourful nature of the event, we recommend that children wear a plain white t-shirt but if your child does not have a white T-shirt, any plain coloured top will be fine. We're hopeful that parents, friends and family can support the event by sponsoring their child and can use the half term break to gather sponsorship. All of the money raised goes towards projects at school and we value any sponsorship contribution, however large or small. We will **collect the sponsor money on Monday 2nd – Wednesday 4th November.** There will be buckets located at each of the school entrance gates for you to drop off any sponsorship money.

Thank you for your support of this event. Sponsorship forms have been emailed to you with this newsletter.

The MSA Committee.

Here's A Nutastic Idea...

HAVE YOU BEEN COLLECTING ANY OF THE BEAUTIFUL FRESH AUTUMNAL NUTS PRODUCED THIS YEAR? WHAT GORGEOUS SEASONAL TREASURES THEY ARE, BUT WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THEM?

Let's Grow Trees!



THIS YEAR, LET'S START OUR OWN SCHOOL TREE NURSERY. COLLECT AUTUMN SEEDS AND BRING THEM TO SCHOOL TO PLANT UP.

WE WILL ALSO NEED BIG PLASTIC PLANT POTS AND COMPOST, IF YOU HAVE ANY. DONATED PLANT POTS SHOULD BE BIGGER THAN CEREAL BOWLS PLEASE, SO WE CAN GIVE THE TREES' ROOTS SPACE TO GROW.

IF EVERY BRITISH PERSON GREW AND RELEASED A TREE WE'D ADD 68 MILLION YOUNG PLANTS TO OUR SHORES.

Regeneration
 GROW A TREE

Milverton Primary School's tree nursery
 Email: ygdrasil.unleashed@gmail.com

For further information please contact Mr Wedderkopp on the email address supplied