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FRIDAY FLYER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

With children spending more time at home and indoors during this second lockdown, it's important to continue to create opportunities for conversations about online safety. We know that this isn't always easy to do, so I wanted to share these resources from CEOP (part of the National Crime Agency) that are posted on their excellent website, "Think U Know". CEOP have prepared useful resources on sharing images, watching videos, live streaming and cyber security and they are available here: [#OnlineSafetyAtHome packs](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/online-safety-at-home-packs/). The website is split into sections, are appropriate to different age groups that deal with online matters, and it is well worth spending some time to explore it.

As Christmas is approaching fast we have had some enquiries from parents worried that we will be encouraging the sending of Christmas cards. I would like to be clear and say that it is our advice that sharing cards in this way represents a health risk, so we will not be doing so this year, because we cannot undertake to quarantine cards here in school. Children can still post cards to each other via the postal service, of course. We are already making plans to enjoy Christmas at school, but it will feel like a different kind of Christmas this year.

Mr R Stead



Children in Class 4 have been finding out about the Stone Age. On Monday they made some amazing Stone Age Tools. It was tricky and showed us just how skilled the Stone Age people must have been to make tools that stayed together! Tools were vital for the survival of the Stone Age people, they were used to catch food, crack open nuts and seeds, grind clay and also build their homes. They were also highly prized objects that showed the importance of their owner.

Mrs Nicholls



On Wednesday 11th November, Year 6 had Forest School. First, we did a mini-beast hunt around the school grounds; there were 6 mini-beasts to find. We had to look at them closely and afterwards we had a quiz on them. Next, we played two rounds of '123, Where are You?'. Then we made tree decorations from items we could find in the school grounds and some wool. We used the skills of whipping, lashing and frapping. We then chose our favourite tree in the school grounds to hang our decorations and we also put our eco-friendly bird feeders up to encourage nature to visit. To finish off the morning, we each had a nice, warm cup of hot chocolate.

by Verity and Izzy, Year 6



Diary Dates

Forest School Wednesdays:

Class 5—18th November

Class 4—25th November

Class 3—2nd December

Class 2—9th December

Class 1—16th December

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

Monday 16th November

Odd Socks day for Anti-Bullying Week—more information on page 2.

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.

Monday 14th December

Christmas jumper day (not for charity)

Wednesday 16th December

Kingsmead Christmas Lunch for KS1 only

Thursday 17th December

Class Christmas Lunch

Friday 18th December

Last Day of Term

House Points	Weekly Total	Half Term
London Plane	182	1046
Cork Oak	308	1356
Blue Cedar	280	1353
Horse Chestnut	275	1349



OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Pre-School	<i>Benji</i> for his fantastic effort in golden mile this week.
Class R	<i>Hayden</i> for his excellent reading of his phonics words.
Class 1	<i>Isla</i> for her beautiful handwriting this week. Isla has made a wonderful effort to make her work so neat, well done.
Class 2	<i>Daniel</i> for trying so hard with his writing all week.
Class 3	<i>Millie</i> for fantastic progress with subtraction and addition in Maths. Well done for answering so many questions in class!
Class 4	Maia for her enthusiasm towards learning in school and at home. Well done Maia, keep it up, your enthusiasm is contagious and a great example for all.
Class 5	<i>Barney</i> for this hard work in spellings this week. Isaac G for an amazing score in his Maths assessment!
Class 6	<i>Daisy and Amber</i> for their dedication and efforts in consistently extending their learning at home. <i>Brooke</i> for demonstrating a growth mindset and challenging herself, particularly in Maths.



Craig was delighted with his prize for the MSA photography competition. Congratulations to Craig for winning the Key Stage 2 entry (above). We think you will agree—what a beautiful photo! Mrs Nicholls

Thank you from the MSA to all who submitted entries into our MSA Nature Competition. We had some wonderful photographs and artwork. It was a pleasure to look through them all and you all put in such a lot of effort. In addition we raised £27 for the school! Thank you.

The winners were:

Early years colouring - Florence B in Reception

KS1 colouring - Monty, Class 2

KS2 photograph - Craig, Class 4

Pumpkin Carving - Tom S, Class R

The MSA is also signed up with The Giving Machine—details below:

Milverton's The Bad Bishops

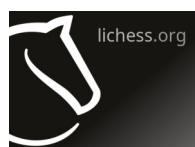
On Thursday the 12th November, Finley, Adri, Daniel, Archie and Michael from Year 5 played Taunton School in an inter-school chess match.

Despite the age disadvantage (the average age of the Taunton school players was 12!) the children played amazingly well and held Taunton School to a draw with both schools scoring 2.5 points.

Plans are afoot for more interschool matches and online chess tournaments so if you want to be involved create yourself a free www.Lichess.org account and join the team 'The Bad Bishops'. Membership is only open to pupils at Milverton Community Primary School and there is no charge.

Mums, Dads and Guardians - please email me at jbeviss@hotmail.com with your child's Lichess username and I will add them to the team.

Please note, I will only add children to the club once I have the parental permission.



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Anti-Bullying Week Monday 16th - Friday 20th November

The theme for Anti-Bullying Week 2020 is: United Against Bullying. During the week each class will take part in lessons around this theme. The week will start with Odd Socks Day! We are asking for pupils and staff to come to school on Monday 16th November in odd socks! All you need to do is wear odd socks! It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week!