### Headteacher's Blog

Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break with your families and are ready for another full term ahead. We have, as always, got off to a very busy start.

- Year 8 pupils are currently deciding on their GCSE Options Choices. Parents and carers will be able to discuss this with teachers at the Year 8 Parents Evenings on 21 and 22 January, please ensure you have booked your appointments in good time. On 13 February pupils and parents are invited to the Year 8 Options Choices Evening at Frome College from 5pm.
- On Tuesday 28 January Year 6 pupils and parents are invited to a Numeracy workshop in the school hall starting at 6pm.
- Selwood Academy PTA will be holding their next meeting on Wednesday 26 February. We will be meeting at 7pm in the Cordero Lounge. All parents and carers are welcome to join us as we discuss upcoming events.



- Our library will be hosting the annual Book Fair from 27 February. More details will follow nearer the time.
- The cast of our school production 'Hairspray' are busy rehearsing for their performances at the end of March. Tickets are available to buy now from the Merlin Theatre Box Office. Click here for more details. This promises to be a very popular show so buy your tickets early to avoid disappointment!

Selwood Academy said farewell at Christmas to the very dedicated Mrs Angie Bishop pictured here with Mrs Pauline Dodds. Bath & Wells Diocese School Effectiveness Advisor, receiving a special 'long service' award'. Angie undertook a number of differing roles including, lunchtime supervisor, crossing patrol and cleaner before advising us of her intention to retire. Parents may also recognise her as consort to Frome's Town Crier. We wish Angie a happy and fulfilling future ahead.



#### Yr 5 & 6 Parents

If your child did not receive the flu vaccination in school at the end of last year, you can contact 0300 323 0032 to book a community session appointment. Sessions are being held throughout January.



## Vacancy

We are looking for a cleaner to join our team at Selwood. Mon - Friday, 5.15 - 7.45am, Term time only + 5 days to be worked in the Summer break for deep clean.



Black Swan Arts in Frome is proud to announce the launch of the Black Swan Arts Young Open competition for 2020.

Now in its seventh year, the **Black Swan Arts Young Open** has become the most successful and prestigious art competition for young people between the ages of 8 and 19 years old, as well as the BIGGEST young art competition in

the South West, attracting hundreds of entries from individuals, schools and youth groups.

Entries to the 2020 competition will be judged, curated and displayed in one of the region's leading contemporary art galleries and, as in previous years, prizes will be awarded in three age-group categories. These unique prizes will be in the form of creative workshops with practising and successful artists as well as individual prizes and certificates, to the winners in each category.

If you are between 8 and 19 years old and would like the opportunity to have your work exhibited at the **Black Swan Arts** gallery, as well as judged to win a prize, get creating NOW because the deadline for entering your artwork into the competition is **28 February 2019**.

We want to see original artwork in any medium or process. The more unique the artwork, the better: painting, ceramics, modelling, drawing, inks, photography, video, animation, textiles, collage, linocuts, screen-prints, lithographs, collographs, mono-prints, sculpture, waxwork, graphic design, illustration, glass blowing, mosaics, stained glass, metalwork, woodwork, 3D printing and much more! For more information and to enter go to <a href="https://www.blackswanarts.org.uk">www.blackswanarts.org.uk</a>. Good Luck!!



# **DIARY DATES**

Jan	
20/21	Year 8 Parents Evening
28	Year 6 Parents Numeracy Workshop
Feb	
10/11	Year 6 Parents Evening
13	Year 8 Options Evening, Frome College, 5pm
14	Term 3 ends, 3.10pm
24	Term 4 begins, 8.40am