

February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of this term, I would like to thank you for your continued support as we work together as a school community to raise standards and transform our young pupils' lives. We have had an extremely successful half term with the pupils being focused on their learning, 'letting their light shine' and doing their best every day. We have all been so impressed with their maturity, resilience and work ethic and this is reflected in the year group collectively earning **1408** achievement points since the start of January!

We are delighted by everything we have achieved, from improvising in Drama to using our knowledge of 4 and 6 figure grid references to create a treasure map in geography! We have written the missing chapter to the Firework makers daughter in English and worked hard completing long division and multiplication in Maths. We have used our new-found skills about one-point perspective to draw 3D shapes and skyscrapers in Art, created pop up castles in DT and heard Mrs Ibbitson play the flute and clarinet while learning about Orchestras in Music. We even squeezed in learning how to build dens and how to tie knots in Forest School!

We have finished off the term with all the tutor groups taking part in the Interform Challenge this week. The pupils took part in either a Football, Netball or Creative Arts challenge and we are eagerly awaiting the results.

Please can I take this opportunity to remind you of our attendance and uniform policy. Our uniform policy can be found on <http://www.selwood.somerset.sch.uk/parents/uniform> and we ask that parents and carers support us in ensuring our pupils arrive to school on time as being late can have a detrimental impact on learning time and indeed the consistency of the school day. Pupils must arrive to their tutors to register between 8.40am and 8.45am every morning. You can report a pupil's absence by phoning 01373 462798 and selecting option 1.

Finally, I would like to thank you for all your kind words and support as I stepped into my new role, I have truly loved every minute. I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term and we look forward to welcoming our pupils back on Monday 20th February.

Yours Sincerely

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'Let your light shine before others' Matthew 5 v 16
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