

'Let your light shine' NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th May 2023

KEY INFORMATION:

Drop off: Owls and siblings – 8.40am, all other children 8.50am. The register is taken at 9am.

Please ensure your child arrives at school on time.

Prayer or Bible Reference

*We pray for our friends who we do so need in our lives,
we pray for strength and wisdom,
as we enter our last term at school together.
Amen*

Dear Families,

This week in Literacy we have observed some wonderful writers, who have been confident when finishing a rhyme or when recreating a poem. Each class showed us how proud they were of their different writing styles. Also this week a group of children attended a presentation for the efforts in the sponsored swim. Well done to all those who raised money for this cause and thank you to the Rotary Lions club for this opportunity.

TAKE A LOOK AT OUR LEARNING: Musical Theatre club performed to their families this week, well done.



UPDATES/REMINDERS

- **FBS** The children will be deciding how to best spend the £242 raised in the swim. The staff will be looking at resources for inside and outside the classroom, the school will be able to use the funds raised by the FBS this year to purchase quite a few items, lucky us!
- **Car Park**
Please can you ensure that you do not get out of your car until you are parked next to the hedge. This is to keep everyone safe and that no children are crossing the flow of the cars. We have to make sure residents are able to safely leave their premises at any time. It helps to park past the gate so that more cars fit in, stop at the post.
- **Vacancy** We have an administration vacancy available. Please see the website for all the details.
- **Hot lunches** are always ordered by **Wednesday** at midnight for the following week. If you did not order your lunches on Wednesday you will need to bring a packed lunch on the first week after half term.
- **Selwood Taster day**: Year 3 have been informed they are able to attend this session, however it is all booked via Selwood. Please inform the school office if your child will need their school lunch cancelled due to attending.

Happy Birthday to Skye H, and Harry who celebrate their birthdays today. Happy Birthday to Imogen, Lucas and Mr MacDonald who celebrate their birthdays in the half term holiday. I wish you all a lovely half term.

Mrs S Thompson
Head Teacher



Diary Dates

Please ensure you have ordered your lunches by **midnight** on a Wednesday on Parent Pay.

| Date | Time | Event |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Monday 5th June | | Collective Worship |
| | 2.30pm | Rabbits drop in session for parents |
| Tuesday 6th | 2.30pm | Squirrels drop in session for parents |
| | 3.20pm | Owls drop in session for parents |
| | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Musical Theatre Club |
| Wednesday 7th | 2.30pm | Badgers drop in session for parents |
| | 7.30pm | FBS Meeting on Teams |
| Thursday 8th | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Football Club |
| Friday 9th | | Badgers Mufti Day for winning the Smarties Challenge |
| Monday 12th | | Collective Worship |
| Tuesday 13th | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Musical Theatre Club |
| Wednesday 14th | | |
| Thursday 15th | 3.15pm – 4.15pm | Football Club |
| Friday 16th | | |

FUTURE DIARY DATES

Parents Evenings—Tuesday 20th June

Thursday 22nd June

Selwood Taster Day for Year 3's - Tuesday 27th June. Please inform the school office if you are attending and need to cancel your lunches. This needs to be done by Tuesday 20th June.

Sports Day and Summer fayre - Friday 30th June at The Rugby Club

SAFEGUARDING

Mrs Thompson is the Designated safeguarding lead for the school and Mrs Appleby and Mrs Langton are the deputies, if you are worried about a child or young person who could be in danger please contact: • Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224. Please take note of the helplines we always put at the end of our newsletter which will now be once a term. They are there to help and support those in need. We have an open door policy so please do come in if you want someone to talk to over a cup of tea.



Stay involved

Encourage them to use their tech devices in a shared space like the lounge or kitchen so you can keep an eye on how they're using the internet and also share in their enjoyment.

Talk to siblings

It's a good idea to talk to any older children about what they're doing online and what they show to younger children. Encourage them to be responsible and help keep their younger siblings safe.



| Attendance | |
|---------------------|----------|
| For w/c 15/05/2023 | |
| Attendance | Absences |
| 95.61% | 4.39% |
| Learning time lost: | |
| 21.5Days | |

The United Nation Convention on the rights of the child entitles them to a Right to Education (Article 28). If the attendance drops **below 95%, this is classed as poor attendance,** as well as children missing vital learning which reduces their chances of success. We have seen an increase in term time holidays, please only take holidays in the allocated holidays provided, thank you.

| Classes | Rabbits | Squirrels | Badgers | Owls |
|-------------------|---------|-----------|---------|--------|
| W/c 15/05/2023 | 91.05% | 93.48% | 99.23% | 97.00% |

Illness

Please be aware that we follow strict guidance from Public Health and have a 48 hours rule for sickness and diarrhoea.

Public Health: Diarrhoea and vomiting 48 hours from last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting: Should be excluded for 48 hours from the last episode of diarrhoea not the first. Further exclusion may be required for children.

Please ensure that you phone school every day your child is off sick.

Term Time Holidays

Any holiday requests in term time need to be sent in writing to The Headteacher via our holiday request form that is available on our website or can be requested through the school office.

We have to follow strict guidelines in partnership with other Frome schools and we can not authorise holidays in term time.

Please always let us know if you are going away by completing the form regardless of whether it is authorised or not. Thank you for your understanding.

<https://www.berkleyschool.co.uk/community/parent-information/>

Summer Sun

Please ensure your child has sun cream applied before school, a sun hat and a water bottle for the summer term.

Keep checking our website for all the latest information and any policies you need regarding Berkley School. www.berkleyschool.co.uk

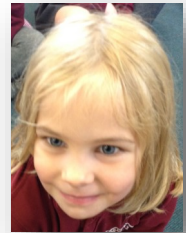




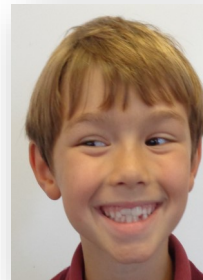
Our Achievements!

On a Thursday we dedicate the assembly to celebrating the successes and wow moments of the week. The children come home with a certificate for their efforts in particular areas. All the adults also have the opportunity to mention a child from any class who has made a difference to their week or who they have spotted doing something wonderful. These children receive a sticker on the day. We link our rewards to the skills they have demonstrated throughout the week and we value each child equally.

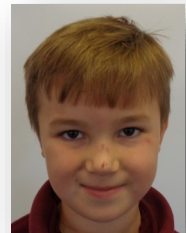
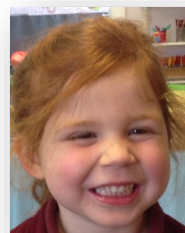
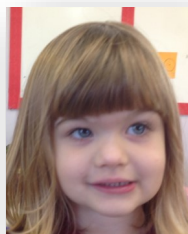
Star of the week



Reading Superstar



Demonstrating our Christian Value

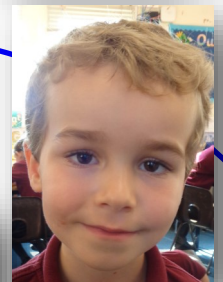
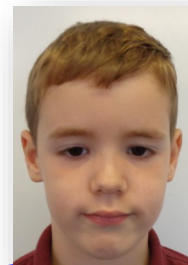


HEADTEACHER AWARD

Leo— For his lovely actions in storytelling and songs

Perry— Great learning choices

Jackson—Fantastic focus in a recent discussion



FBS News:

The Spring Raffle raised £215 with the fabulous prizes which were kindly donated by Bath & West Show, Frome Cheese Show and The George at Norton St Philip.

1st prize of the Family Bath & West Tickets – Benjamin Newbound

2nd prize of Family tickets to Frome Cheese Show – Corie Mustow

3rd prize 2 x tickets to Mamma Mia outdoor cinema at The George, Norton St Philip – Mrs Langton

FBS dates for your diaries: Without volunteers FBS can't organise events to raise much needed money for school.

Wednesday 7th June 7.30pm TEAMS – FBS meeting about the Summer Fayre and Leavers Disco. All parents/staff are welcome.

Wednesday 21st June 7.30pm – FBS meeting about Summer Fayre arrangements. All parents/staff are welcome.

Friday 30th June Sports Day and Summer Fayre – Frome Rugby Club.

Friday 7th July 6.30pm FBS drinks and takeaway – Frome Cricket Club – All parents/staff including children are welcome.

Thursday 20th July – Leavers School disco – Frome Market Hall, Standerwick. All classes welcome.



Mini Museum Open Day Somerset Earth Science Centre

Saturday 27th May 11am-3.30pm

Come and see our fascinating collection of Mendip Rocks, Minerals and Fossils

Bring in your own fossils and rocks for identification by experts

Fossil & Mineral displays

Get creative with our fossil arts and crafts

Bring a picnic or sit by the lake with tea and cake

Fossils and dig kits available to purchase

Light refreshments available, onsite parking next to Wainwright Quarry

Somerset Earth Science Centre, Moons Hill Quarry

Stoke St Michael, BA3 5JU.

www.earthsciencecentre.org.uk



Reg Charity No: 1122738

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I.G Sports Coaching Ltd

During our may/June half term we are running a free girls football camp in partnership with SASP.

This will be for girls aged 5-16 and will run on Thursday 1st June 10:00am-2:00pm.

We ask the parents to still book on but the day will be free.

Please find attached the link below to book your child's place.

<https://igsportscoaching.co.uk/may-june-half-term/>

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