
Newsletter 2

Dear Parents

Firstly, I will apologise for what feels like a mammoth newsletter! This is because there are two important extra parts in this edition in addition to the usual letter.

We have worked out our list of important dates for the year. Please take a note of them in your diaries. We will try our very best not to change any dates unless there are any extenuating circumstances. The only dates that have not yet been confirmed are class assemblies. We will be holding open classes (as per this year) in the spring term as part of our whole school topic and then hope to have individual class assemblies during the summer term. When we get nearer the time, we will let you know these dates.

Also, there is an important note near the end of the letter with regard to the school crossing patrol that has recently started in Winford.

Nik Gardner

Harvest Appeal 2017

We are once again joining with Winford Church and The Community of the Sisters of the Church in Clifton, to collect goods for the Loaves and Fishes Ministry who provide support for families or individuals with a wide variety of needs. The following items are a tremendous help:



Tins of food (in date please!): tuna, tinned ham, soup, rice pudding, tinned fruit, beans, vegetables, custard.

Packets: cereals, pasta, rice, instant soup, biscuits, tea bags, coffee

Sundries: tin openers, toiletries, packets of nappies
Please bring any donations into school in the week beginning 2nd October and these will be collected and taken to the church.

We are very grateful for your support and donations; your generosity allows the Ministry to continue their vital work in helping an increasing number of vulnerable people.

Bag2School

A big thank you to everyone who filled the bag2school bags with unwanted but reusable items. £136.00 was raised due to these donations.



Earthwise

This Autumn, Earthwise have events coming up for primary age children in the Chew Valley area.



5-7 year olds 25 & 26th October, 10-3pm. One day on the Community Farm and another in the forest. Harvesting, cooking, campfires, den building etc.

8-11 year olds 37th October, 10-3pm. Forest School in private woodland in Chew Stoke. Fire skills, campfire cookery, wood-craft, whittling with knives. From £26 per day includes snacks.

For more info please visit getearthwise.co.uk

Reception Year 2018

If you have a child who is due to start school next September, we have an open day on Monday 2nd October 10-11 am and then 2-3pm. There will be an opportunity to have a tour, ask any questions and pick up a prospectus. If you are unable to make this date, please contact the school to book an alternative date and time.



Churchill Academy and Sixth Form Open Evening

Churchill Academy Open Evening will be held on Wednesday 27th September, they look forward to welcoming students from both Year 5 and Year 6. The evening will start at 5.30pm with a talk from the Headteacher at around 5.45pm. The talk will be

Old Costumes and Toys

If you are having a clear out and have any old dressing up costumes, especially Nativity costumes, or old toys (not cuddly toys) such as cars, dolls house furniture, board games, action figures that you no longer require then we would be grateful for the donations! Thank you.



repeated at 7.15pm. They hope you'll be able to join them and see what Churchill has to offer! Open Mornings are on 3rd and 4th October, 9.00-12.30pm for you to come and see the school in action.

As you will have noticed there is a new School Crossing Patrol (SCP) officer in post at the school. We have been working closely with NSC and Winford Parish Council to find the right long term solution for road safety at the school and within the village. This is also a shared responsibility with you as parent/ carer. North Somerset Council has now had the chance to monitor and review the patrol and have concluded the highest demand comes from Felton Lane, particularly for unaccompanied children. This is where the School Crossing Patrol officer will be based the majority of the time.

We understand and appreciate Barrow Lane/High Street also sees pedestrian demand and the parish have specifically requested the officer also crosses at this location too, as it is a busy location with traffic in the morning peak. With this in mind, if you wish to cross Barrow Lane in the morning, please wait behind the 'dropped kerb' in front of the red surfacing just up the hill from the Prince of Waterloo and the officer will be able to clearly see you. When there is a natural gap in people crossing Felton Lane the officer will move to Barrow Lane to assist you.



After school, if you wish to cross Barrow Lane on the way back, you have one of two options, briefly mention as you cross to the officer and/or wait in the paved area on the North side of Felton Lane, and this will indicate to the officer you wish to cross Barrow Lane.

Please be aware although the School Crossing Patrol officer is now able to assist pupils and parents crossing at these two locations, it is still the parent or carer's responsibility to ensure their child travels safely to and from school. North Somerset Council has also offered to attend assemblies and provide training for parents and/or teachers, so that children are made fully aware of the risks and how to cross safely. North Somerset Council will be monitoring the site over the coming weeks, if it is believed the current arrangement isn't working further options will be reviewed.

Here are some other useful elements to remember to help children get to school safely:

- Stay behind the kerb and/or the 'lollipop' before crossing.*
- Please park away from the red surfaced crossing points on Barrow Lane and Felton Lane, (this is important as it can obscure the view and crossing point)*
- Do not park on the footway outside the Prince of Waterloo*
- Please wait for the crossing patrol officer*

We very much appreciate you assisting us and working together as we all have our role to play to ensure the patrol works effectively.

Celebration Assembly Certificates

<p><u>Lion</u></p> 	<p>w/e 15.9.17 To all the children in Lion Class, for two really great first weeks at school! They have all settled in really well and their confidence is growing every day.</p> <p>w/e 22.9.17 Harry, for being a really kind, caring and polite member of Lion Class. He is a lovely friend to the other children and very considerate with the adults too!</p> <p>Jesse, for really impressing me with his Maths this week! He recognised numbers 1-10 independently and counted out the correct number of objects too.</p>
<p><u>Leopard</u></p> 	<p>w/e 15.9.17 Ben and Haydn, - these boys worked so well together whilst making a 'garden in a tray'. They co-operated well, deciding what materials to use and on the design. Well done boys.</p> <p>Max, for showing amazing concentration whilst designing his garden. He was so engrossed in what he was doing and it was lovely to watch him carefully choosing his colours and thinking about his design.</p> <p>Dylan, for great country dancing.</p> <p>w/e 22.9.17 Darcy, for making some super contributions to our whole class learning in Maths this week. You also explained your answers very well.</p> <p>Lola, for always doing your very best and trying really hard with all of your work. I'm very impressed! You have a great attitude which makes you a pleasure to have in Leopard Class.</p>
<p><u>Panther</u></p> 	<p>w/e 15.9.17 A huge well done to Marcella and Lacey who have settled in to life at Winford School so well. Lacey has impressed me with her quality of writing and Marcella with her Batik style patterns in Art. Well done!</p> <p>w/e 22.9.17 Morgan, who has demonstrated both responsibility and patience when he rewrote his Science experiment to make sure it was the best quality it could be. He really persevered and did a great job!</p> <p>Grace, for showing fantastic understanding of digits and place value in Maths this week. She took responsibility and shared her wisdom with the rest of the class which helped them with their understanding.</p>
<p><u>Tiger</u></p> 	<p>w/e 15.9.17 Ollie, for showing great determination in his writing. Ollie has worked incredibly hard and has had a really focused attitude since starting at Winford. As a result his writing has already shown great improvements. Well done Ollie – keep it up!</p> <p>Shaney-Lee, for showing great perseverance in Maths. Shaney-Lee found it challenging to partition numbers in different ways but stayed focused and eventually he got it and even achieved more difficult challenges.</p> <p>Megan, for showing a commitment to learning by sharing so many facts about Thailand and she even learnt a song in Thai – very impressive!</p> <p>w/e 22.9.17 Reggie and Corin, for persevering and working hard in Maths. Their presentation and quantity of work as well as their understanding improved a lot. Keep up the hard work boys!</p> <p>Eva, for always showing great commitment to her learning by always focusing hard, managing distractions and trying her very best. Great role model!</p>
<p><u>Jaguar</u></p> 	<p>w/e 15.9.17 Isaac, for showing a fabulous attitude to his learning and for trying his best in every lesson.</p> <p>Ben, for being a wonderful friend to others in the class and showing great patience and understanding.</p> <p>w/e 22.9.17 Harley, has made a real effort with his listening this week, particularly in Maths. It has been</p>

	great to see his fantastic learning as a result. Keep it up! Marlena , who is always ready to learn, with a lovely smile and a great attitude.
Lynx 	w/e 15.9.17 Millie , for settling in fantastically well in Lynx class and working incredibly hard all week. Kintija , for having an absolutely fantastic attitude and always trying her best. Well done! Rufus , for having an incredibly positive and imaginative approach to his learning. w/e 22.9.17 Jake N , for always persevering and challenging himself in his learning. Cerys , for writing an absolutely fantastic setting description, well done!
Puma 	w/e 15.9.17 Tori and Oliver , for always being willing to contribute to class discussions or give quality answers and ideas. Jake , for listening to ideas on how to enhance his story writing and then immediately applying them to great effect. w/e 22.9.17 Harry , for always being prepared to put his hand up and contribute to Maths lessons. Enya and Freya V , for showing perseverance during P.E lessons to get drills correct and contributing to their teams success.
Footballer of the week 	w/e 15.9.17 For a great first appearance at football club and making several important tackles and interceptions – Kieron w/e 22.9.17 For listening to advice in goalkeeper training and then applying it in matches- Cordie L

Diary Dates

<u>Event</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Year 6 Lifeskills Trip	Friday	29.9.17	12.00-3.30pm
Individual photos	Monday	2-10-17	
Harvest Service	Thursday	5-10-17	9:15 am
Flu vaccinations for Reception, Yr1, Yr2, Yr3 & Yr4	Thursday	12.10.17	
End of term 1	Friday	20.10.17	
1 st Day of term 2 for children	Monday	30-10-17	
Parents evening 1	Thursday	16-11-17	12:30 – 18:00
Year ¾ Nativity	Thursday	7-12-17	9:15 and 14:00
Reception Nativity for parents	Friday	8-12-17	9:15
Year 1 and 2 nativity for parents	Tuesday	12-12-17	9:15 and 14:00
Hippodrome trip for R, Yr1/Yr2	Wednesday	13-12-17	
Church carol service 5/6	Thursday	14-12-17	9:15 and 19:00
Christmas lunch in school	Thursday	14-12-17	
Last Day of term 2 Non-school uniform. No charge	Tuesday	19-12-17	
1 st Day of term 3	Thursday	4-1-17	
Last day of term 3 Non-school uniform £1 donation (charity TBC)	Friday	9-2-17	
1 st Day of term 4	Monday	19-2-18	
Year 5/6 Camp	M-F	26-2 to 2-3	
Winford Book Day (slightly different date to World book day owing to school camp week)	Tuesday	6-3-18	9:15
Parents evening 2	Thursday	8-3-18	12:30-18:00
Whole school presentation of learning (open classroom event)	Thursday	15-3-18	

Easter Service (Parents invited to attend)	Thursday	22-3-18	9:15
Last day of term 4 non-school uniform school council to decide.	Friday	23-3-18	
1 st day of term 5	Monday	9-4-18	
Year 6 SATS week	W/B	14-5-18	
Sports day	Wednesday	23-5-18	All <u>morning</u>
Last day of term 5 Non-sch uniform	Thursday	24-5-18	
INSET 5	Friday	25-5-18	
1 st Day of term 6	Monday	4-6-18	
Sports Day reserve date	Wednesday	13-6-18	All <u>morning</u>
Leavers service (Year 6 parents invited to attend)	Wednesday	18-7-18	1:15
Final day of the Year Non-school uniform	Friday	20-7-18	