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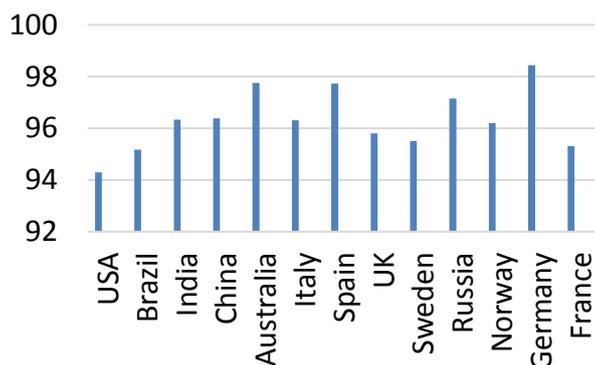
Nov 2017

Message from Miss Thomas:

Term 2 is now well and truly underway and the children have all been busy focussing on their learning, going out on trips and taking part in sporting events. On Friday, the whole school went to New Close to watch a pantomime of "Beauty and the Beast". The show was fantastic and enjoyed by all – both children and adults alike. I felt very proud when the headteachers of both New Close and St John's took the time to comment on how impressed they were by the behaviour of our children. Thank you also to all of you who volunteered to enable us to walk the children safely to and from New Close.

Attendance: Whole School attendance for Term 1 was 96%. The chart below shows individual class attendance.

Whole School Attendance for Term 1



Christmas Dinner: our festive roast turkey Christmas dinner with all the trimmings will be held on Wednesday 13th December. (It is bookable on Wisepay and is featured on Week One's menu). There is also a vegetarian option.

Orders need to be done by 4th December.

Children will be making Christmas hats and decorations for the occasion and teachers will be joining their children for lunch.

Please when ordering make sure you order on the menu dated **Week Commencing 11th December for the Wednesday 13th December for Christmas Dinner.**

All other Wednesday's are a normal roast dinner as described on the Wisepay menu.

A big thank you to the Friends of The Avenue School – who raised an amazing £387 at the fabulous "Monster Ball". We saw some amazing costumes and characters!

Acorn Football Festival:

On Monday 16th October, The Avenue Primary School took part in the first ever 'Acorn Academy Football Tournament'. We took a Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 football team who played 15 minute games against three other schools: St John's, New Close and Heytesbury.

Our Year 5/6 team (Jack, Freddie, Darren, Josh, Dylan and Alex) came second and our Year 3/4 team (see photo) of Brogan, Rocky, Will, Max, Harvey, Dylan came first!

KS1 football festival at Warminster School:

Some children from years 1 and 2 also represented the school in a football festival at Warminster School. They took part in skills based activities and mini matches. Great fun was had by all. Congratulations to all the children who took part and represented their school.



Clubs: Please note all after school clubs will finish on 7th December 2017. They will resume on 4th January 2018.

Fire Safety:

On Monday, our Year 2 and Year 6 pupils had a visit from Maria from Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service. The children took part in a workshop about fire safety and learned some top tips to help them keep safe in the event of a fire. Part of the workshop involved the children thinking about fire safety checks at home and your child should have come home with a Home Fire Safety Checklist for you to complete. Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service offer a free service where they will visit your home and fit smoke alarms for FREE! Please follow the link below to book your appointment. <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits/>



Reading Expectations: Winners of the lucky dip for achieving reading expectations in Term 1 were: Caiden Thomas, Grace Coleman, Alexander Unwin and Adam Nash-Loubersac. Well done to everyone who achieved our reading expectations all term.

Polite Notice: As a school we would like to remind you that the school gates do not open until 8.30am and we respectfully ask that you do not arrive at school before this time. Please can we also ask you not to gather at the main school gates, as we have received some complaints from other parents that they feel uncomfortable walking past a large group. Please can you be mindful about the language you use and smoking on/near the school site, as our children are very young and extremely impressionable. Thank you.

**1st Battalion The Yorkshire Regiment
& Warminster Community**

**WORLD RECORD
NATIVITY EVENT 2017**

Wednesday 6th December
Warminster Town Park (opposite Morrisons)

We aim to break the current Guinness World Record of 1254 people taking part

To participate in this event, please arrive at the park from 1545 onwards. The World Record attempt will begin at approximately 1730.

To take part and to count in the final numbers, you must be dressed in nativity costumes such as Angels, Wise men/women or Shepherds. A simple costume is all that is required, along with the willingness to sing some hymns and carols

A military band will play music and food and drink vendors will be in attendance, as will a number of charities

Please come prepared for inclement weather...

For more information contact:
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Don't forget to ask your child about "Odd Sock" day!

House Points:

Congratulations to these children for achieving the following awards:

GOLD: Cara Cheffey, Korey O'Brien and Natalie Rogers.

BRONZE: Prashanti Gurung, Keyan Reddy, Vinnie Burden and Teagen Burden.

Diary Dates

November

w/c 13th Anti Bullying Week

13th – Odd Sock day

17th – Non uniform day – "Spots"

Trussell Trust Shoe Box Appeal

24th – Yr 3/4 Tudor Day

28th – 6.30pm Yr 5/6 Production

29th – 2pm & 6.30pm Yr 5/6 Production

30th – Yr 5/6 VE day party

December

1st – Dress the Xmas Tree

8th – West Wilts Fencing Comp

8th – Xmas Tree Festival, Minster

9th – **FRIENDS XMAS FAYRE**

11th – Choir at St Lawrence

12th - 2.15pm KS1 Production

13th – Xmas Lunch

14th – 2.15pm KS1 Production

18th – Choir at Homeminster Hse

19th - Reception Xmas Play

20th – Class Xmas Parties

20th - End Term 2

Return to School Thurs 4th Jan '18

Website:

Please remember to check the website calendar for dates of all forthcoming events & trips.

Your child's class also has a page on the website which tells you about the topics they are studying and gives important class updates.