

Newsletter 3

Dear Parents

We have got to the end of term 1 already! The last few weeks seem to have whizzed by so very fast and we are at another holiday again. The pupils have all settled very well into their new classes and I have seen some very impressive pieces of work recently that show a great deal of effort.

Non school uniform day on Friday is in aid of 'Dogs Helping Kids' which is the charity that Fernie is trained and certified with. Pupils will be hearing a little more about the charity and its work in the week after the break.

I would like to wish you all a super break next week, but please ensure that you keep reading every day with your children as it makes a huge difference.

Nik Gardner

Parking in the school car park

Please can we ask parents not to use the school car park when dropping off or collecting children. On a number of occasions in the morning the car park has been blocked and the school bus has been unable to drop children off at school. The school car park is for staff and official visitors only. Thank you.



Scarecrow Trail

It's October and the Chew Valley is inundated with new residents on an epic scale! Keep an eye on your gardens for villains and heroes in all shapes and sizes that have arrived in the neighbourhood for Harvey's Scarecrow Trail 2017!



From 8 – 29 October come and find over 100 scarecrows made by local schools, businesses and residents. The theme for this year's trail is Villains and Heroes with entries from all through the years, so everyone is bound to recognise a scarecrow or two.

Pick up a trail map from The Co-op in Chew Magna, Chew Stoke Village Shop, Salt and Malt, Wrington Pharmacy and Winford Stores or the Prince of Waterloo Pub (we have a few here in school too). A map costs £2.50 with all monies going to A Sibling's Wish - - a charity founded by the Hext family to help siblings coming to terms with the devastating loss of a brother or sister. Please see www.facebook.com/harveysc scarecrow for more details.

Term time holidays

It is now the time of year when parents often start to think about holidays for 2018. Please can I remind you that holidays in term time will only be authorised in very exceptional and extenuating circumstances. Sometimes a term time holiday will trigger a fine from the local authority. For full details, please read the policy on our website.



Non-school uniform day

On the last day of term the children are welcome to come to school in non-school uniform for a donation to a charity, this time it will be Dogs Helping Kids. On previous non-school uniform days the donations have been disappointing with the last one raising just £41. If you do not wish to participate in the event then children should come to school in their uniform as usual. If your child would like to come to school in their usual clothes then we would appreciate a £1 donation.



Lost Property

We have already accumulated a large amount of lost property in the school this term. If you are missing any jumpers, cardigans or other items, please come and retrieve them. Thank you.



Bonfire Bonanza Lunch Menu

On Tuesday 31st October there will be a change to the menu. The kitchen are providing a bonfire bonanza menu to coincide with the week of Bonfire Night. The menu will include hot dogs with onion, veggie hot dog with onion, chips, beans, salad, coleslaw and toffee apple flapjack.



Eschools

We would like to encourage you to download the eschools app to your smartphones. With the app you will be able to:



- see your child's attendance
- book a parent evening slot
- receive letters from school
- see the school diary
- receive urgent messages by text

It's a great way to get instant information. Please see the home page of the school website for information.

Diary Dates

<u>Event</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Last day of term-non school uniform	Friday	20.10.17	
Term 2 starts	Monday	30.10.17	
Year 5 and 6 trip to SS Great Britain	Friday	03.11.17	9.15 – 3.00pm

Celebration Assembly Certificates

Lion



w/e 29.9.17

Willow and Rebe, for making some lovely repeating patterns this week. They challenged themselves to keep adding more objects to the pattern.

Chloe, for listening really well to the instructions for our first P.E change. She changed quickly and independently.

w/e 06.10.17

Tilly, Oscar and Harriet for great work at home with their phonics. They are consolidating their work at school and using their phonics books at home to practise correct letter formation.

w/e 13.10.17

Tom and Jemima, for showing a good understanding of the story we have been reading this week 'The Little Red Hen'. They remembered the man characters and sequence of events really well!

Dillion, for really impressing Miss Thomas with his phonics this week. She was sounding out words for him and he could correctly match them to the right picture.

Leopard



w/e 29.9.17

George and Gracie, both of them showed amazing perseverance during Maths this week, when we were counting in 2's. They both kept going and didn't give up even though it was challenging. Well done George and Gracie, Miss Dolman is very impressed.

Beau and Jack, for great marching to the "Grand Old Duke of York"




w/e 06.10.17





Jack, for showing lots of curiosity, enjoyment and knowledge during science this week. I have really enjoyed listening to all of your contributions in class, you have told us lots about materials and their properties, especially when we tested different materials in water.

Charlie, you have been a great friend to everyone in Leopard class this week. You have shown kindness to others and helping them out when needed. Well done Charlie.

w/e 13.10.17

Joshua, you have made some great choices this week Joshua, well done. You have also put a lot of effort into your work which has been shown in your independent work and whole class work.

	<p>Elsa, you have been so brave coming in to the classroom this week. Well done! It was so lovely to see a happy face on Thursday, keep it up Elsa!</p>
<p>Panther</p> 	<p>w/e 29.9.17 Archie, has been working very hard at improving sentences this week by adding adjectives and punctuation. I was really impressed by some of the exciting words he chose to use. Jessie always approaches her class work with a fantastic attitude-she concentrates well, takes pride in her work and likes to challenge herself-keep it up!</p> <p>w/e 29.9.17 Zac, has settled in brilliantly to Panther class and shown great listening skills and very good knowledge of place value. Well done! Juliette, has been focusing on her concentration this week-she's done really well with her place value work and has shown a good understanding of tens and ones in numbers. Keep up the concentration and good work! Phoebe, for being very thoughtful and helpful this morning, helping to clear up a spillage in the classroom.</p> <p>w/e 13.10.17 Eden and Sam D, We've worked very hard this week at partitioning numbers. Eden and Sam have wowed me, not only for their hard work, but for challenging themselves and presenting everything beautifully. They are already partitioning 4 digit numbers accurately and I am super proud!</p>
<p>Tiger</p> 	<p>w/e 29.9.17 Ailsa, for showing a commitment to learning by independently finding out some interesting food facts at home. Well done Ailsa-it was great to see! Maisey and Oliver, for showing great determination and perseverance during the morning runs. Both have an incredibly positive attitude and as a result have already shown great progress with their running! Well done and keep it up!</p> <p>w/e 6.10.17 Ava, for showing determination to improve her work by always taking on board advice and being keen to act on it straight away. For example, in her writing Ava went away to improve her handwriting and presentation which have shown great progress since. Well done Ava! Mia, for making use of resources in the classroom to support her writing. Mia is always keen to use a thesaurus to find better words for her writing. As well as this Mia's handwriting and general writing have improved a lot! Well done Mia!</p> <p>w/e 13.10.17 Mia, Grace and Ellis, for co-operating well in a group to design their chocolate bar. They all discussed well and made sure they all agreed and were ok with their final design. Great teamwork! Taylor, for always being keen to improve his work. Taylor also shows great perseverance as he works hard through challenges set and stays focused. Well done Taylor-keep it up!</p>
<p>Jaguar</p> 	<p>w/e 29.9.17 Riley, he always contributes so enthusiastically to class discussions. He always has something interesting to say! Oscar, he persevered with his Maths and in the end he understood how to order negative numbers. Keep up the good work!</p> <p>w/e 06.10.17 Finley, for showing great perseverance in our science lesson this week. He didn't find it easy but he kept trying and ended up writing a great conclusion to our tooth decay experiment. Ben, George, Isabel, Isaac A and Finley- for using their initiative and independently raising money for charity. They planned a lovely surprise for the class and raised money at the same time! What a great thing to do!</p> <p>w/e 13.10.17 Isla, for always making valuable contributions to class discussions. She listens really well too!</p>

	<p>Harley for being a lovely friend to someone else in the class who has been feeling worried. He has really tried to make them feel better.</p>
<p>Lynx</p>  <p><small>shutterstock, 105780004</small></p>	<p>w/e 29.9.17 Scarlett, is always enthusiastic and incredibly eager to learn. She always wants to contribute to class discussion and challenge herself. As a result, she has already made great progress. Jilly, for always being ready to learn and challenging herself. She is a kind, caring and thoughtful member of Lynx class who sets a fantastic example for others.</p> <p>w/e 9.10.17 George, for always having great enthusiasm for learning and wanting to share his fantastic ideas. He always comes in with a positive attitude and edits and improves his work to ensure it's the best it can be. Cassidy, for writing an absolutely fantastic diary entry as Hiccup the Pirate. He always listens and tries his best. James, for having an amazing week, very good behaviour and lots of work completed to a fab standard.</p> <p>w/e 13.10.17 Troy, Cassidy and Rufus, for both writing fantastic, imaginative and descriptive openings to their stories. Isabelle G, for always having an extremely enthusiastic attitude to school life and challenging herself in Maths.</p>
<p>Puma</p> 	<p>w/e 29.9.17 Tilly and Reuben, for their very funny, but well written and honest, school report on Hiccup the Vikings lack of pirating skills. Oliver and Cordie, for several useful and interesting contributions to our science lesson on inherited characteristics.</p> <p>w/e 06.10.17 Rowan and Hazel, for concentrating really hard and making good choices on moving forward in Maths. Freya P and Kieron, for being prepared to help out and take the place of people away during the Harvest service.</p> <p>w/e 13.10.17 Ruby, Kiera and Ava for being responsible and making detailed notes and recording key facts in topic lessons.</p>
<p>Footballer of the week</p> 	<p>w/e 29.9.17 For several great attacking dribbles and scoring with two powerful long range shots – Harry L</p> <p>w/e 09.10.17 For great play in winning the Churchill football tournament and showing amazing skills – Rowan H (Rowanaldo!)</p> <p>w/e 13.10.17 For great play in the tournament on Wednesday and scoring several goals – Isaac A</p>
<p>House Points Certificates</p> 	<p>Congratulations to Isaac A and Nieve in Jaguar class for gaining their bronze house point certificates.</p>