



Great Wishford C.E. (V.A.) Primary School



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18th May 2018

Message from Mrs Farndale

Here we are, another Friday already - this term is flying by! Only one more week left before the half term holiday.

The children are continuing to work incredibly hard in all classes and as I walk the school every day, I am always so impressed with the creativity and ability demonstrated by all of our children.

I would like to say a huge WELL DONE to all our hardworking YEAR 6 children. They have had a very busy week completing all of their SPAG, Reading and Maths tests. They have made us extremely proud with their calm, enthusiastic and resilient approach to a long test week. Thank you all for working so hard and for keeping a smile on your face, you are all a credit to our school. Reading, Writing and Maths are obviously very important subjects and will serve them well in life, but they are not the "be-all and end-all". Over the course of the year we have all seen our Year 6's achieve many personal goals and successes. They have grown in confidence, ability and personality and are maturing into wonderful young people who we know will continue to shine throughout secondary school.

As well as the children, I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Lamont, Miss Foster and Mrs Phillips for all their hard work and dedication in supporting and preparing the children for their SATs. In addition, thank you to all the staff who helped make bacon butties for the SATs breakfasts and for supporting the children throughout their tests. It really is a team effort.

Good Luck to our Year 2s as they continue to complete their end of Key Stage SATs papers next week.

More and more of our lessons are taking place outside as the weather improves and we are looking forward to this continuing. With this in mind, please send all children with a named water bottle and sunhat - especially if the weather forecast for a mini heatwave turns out to be correct!

Finally, remember the forthcoming Oak Apple Day celebrations are approaching. The Maypole is now up and the children in Skylark have been preparing their Maypole dancing, the children in Kingfisher have been learning Country Dancing moves and the whole school have been busy creating some amazing art pieces to be displayed in the Barn.

Half Term begins on Friday 25th May and the school opens again on Monday 4th June ready for term 6.

Have a lovely weekend and I hope the sun continues to shine for the Half term.

Gardening Club is now up and running at lunchtimes with Miss Lyons and the pupils are enjoying seeing their plants grow. As the weather is now getting warmer, we need to water the garden regularly. We would be very grateful if any parents may have an unwanted water butt that they could donate to the school so we can use this to water the garden.

The Friends of the School will be holding a Jumble Sale at Wilton Community Centre from 11 am until 1pm.

Admission 20p per adult all children free. All proceeds will directly benefit the children of Great Wishford School so please do go along and support this event if you can. Any items of jumble can be brought into school,

Certificates and Awards: The certificates and awards given in the Celebration Assembly 11/5/18 were as follows:

Highest Classroom Attendance - Owl Class

Class Certificates -

Siena Scholes - Owl Class

Ivan Gurd - Kingfisher Class

Florence Coombes - Skylark Class

Maya Ledbury - Osprey Class

Expectations Awards -

Aspiration - William Brain

Belief - Phoebe Cooke

Determination - Stevie McNulty

Pride - John Baxter & Ollie Khanchanakub

Resilience - Daisy Reed

Respect - Claire Shickle

Responsibility - Lily Brain

Reader of the week

Owl Class - Alexander Shepherd

Kingfisher Class - Melek Bilgic

Skylark Class - Silvie McCloskey

Osprey Class - Charlie Bevis

Maths Whizz Cup - Erin Piper

Top house point pupils: Ellie-Leigh Henderson (10)

Halfway to Bronze award - Willow Stevens

Bronze Awards (50 house points):

Alfie Chalke, Florence Coombes, Axl Archer, Rhys Cooke, Gabriel Penny, Charlie Bevis, Ellie-Leigh Henderson

Silver Awards (100 house points):

Jack Spencer, Sophie Tribbeck, Oliver Ledbury, Lily Brain



Certificates and Awards: The certificates and awards given in the Celebration Assembly 18/5/18 were as follows:

Highest Classroom Attendance -

Class Certificates -

Poppy Tribbeck - Owl Class

Sophie Newman - Kingfisher Class

Riley Hume - Skylark Class

Ellie-Leigh Henderson - Osprey Class

Expectations Awards -

Aspiration - Dhana McNulty

Belief - Summer Henderson

Determination - Emelia Beattie

Pride - Alivia Callaghan & Charlie Bevis

Resilience - Jensen Burnett

Respect - Teddy Sacco

Responsibility - Charlie Purnell-Webb

Reader of the week

Owl Class - Lily-Mae Scard

Kingfisher Class - Sophie Tribbeck

Skylark Class - Olivia Spencer

Osprey Class - Becky Barnes

Maths Whizz Cup - Pixie Bush

Top house points:

Bronze Awards (50 house points):

VIP Lunch:

**Osprey - Maya Ledbury, Lewis Newman
Skylark - Daisy Reed, Billy Shergold-O'Brien
Kingfisher - Lily Brain, Ivan Gurd,
Owl - Izzy Barratt, Teddy Sacco. Well done to these pupils who will have their VIP lunch with Mrs Farndale on Thursday 24th May.**

Halfway to bronze award - Zak Munn

Bronze Awards (50 house points) Melek Bilgic

Silver Awards (100 house points) Ivy Henstridge, Thomas Chalk, Ruby Ascough and Caydon Hume

Top house point pupils : Gabriel Penny (10)

SPORTS NEWS

The Cricket Team took part in the Cluster Cricket Festival last week and performed very well, well done to Max Reed, Charlotte Winstanley, Becky Barnes, Joshua Thomas, Freddie Gerken, Charlie PW, Claire Shickle, Rhys Cooke and Gabriel Penny.

We will be attending an Academy Rounders Event next Tuesday which will be our first event with our fellow Academy Schools. Best of luck to our school team: Max Reed, Evelyn Hargrave, Zak Munn, Gabriel Penny, Ollie Khanchanakub, Silvie McCloskey, Joshua Thomas, Billy Shergold O'Brien, Olivia Spencer and Rhys Cooke.

As Mrs Constantine will be accompanying the team to this rounders event Miss Sparre will be running the Tuesday athletics club next week. Many thanks to Miss Sparre for stepping in.

Oak Apple Day is fast approaching so if you haven't already sent back the slip from the letter please do so as soon as possible. This will help us with practising dances with the pupils who will be attending and sorting out costumes for everyone. We are delighted to let you know that this year's May Queen Attendants will be Pixie Bush, Alice-Anne Thomas and Melek Bilgic.



Miss Lyons will be running an Art and Craft Club for Skylark and Osprey Classes.

This club will take place straight after school on a Thursday in Skylark Classroom and will finish at 4pm. There will be a charge of £2.50 per pupil per session and places will be limited. If your child would like to attend please email admin@greatwishford.wilts.sch.uk or sign up at the school office. The club will start on the first Thursday after half term 7th June and finish on Thursday 6th July (6 session). It would help with our organisation and purchasing of resources if you are able to pay for the term (£15.00). Any cheques should be made payable to the Acorn Academy Trust.

South Wilts Cricket Club Cricket Camp

As half-term approaches and the sun is out, we are looking forward to our Cricket Camp. The Easter rain and snow is long gone!

Dates: 29th May - 1st June

Times: 10am-4.30pm (with the option for an extended stay 9am-5pm)

Cost: 1 day = £30, 2 days = £55, 3 days = £75, 4 days = £90

More info & booking: <https://gamechangerscoaching.co.uk/camps>

To stress, that although called gamechangerscoaching, this is the proper South Wilts CC cricket camp.

Please contact Tom Morton for further info - tommorton1985@gmail.com





Dear Parents

Every school leadership team needs to be supported and challenged by an Academy Council of Governors, and, I am writing to you today to encourage you to join one of our teams.

This wonderful group of volunteers meets approximately 4 times a year to discuss standards across the school, safeguarding and ensure the unique identity, ethos and culture of the school is maintained. If you would like to shape and influence your son/daughter's school, then this is the ideal opportunity. You may prefer to work in a governing body away from family connections and this would also be possible.

Alternatively, you may know a grandparent, a local neighbour or a friend who is looking to be involved in a community group and would be an ideal governor.

Previous educational experience is not required, simply a desire to make a difference to young people. The Acorn Education Trust provides training, support and guidance as needed.

All our schools are listed below and should you wish to learn more or join, please contact our Governance Adviser Zoe Stockley on zas@acorneducationtrust.com or 01985 224220.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With very best wishes

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sara Edwards".

Sara Edwards
CEO
The Acorn Education Trust

The Acorn Education Trust Schools:

- Avenue Primary School & Children's Centre
- Clarendon Academy (as of 1st June 2018)
- Dilton Marsh Church of England Primary School
- Great Wishford Church of England Primary School
- Heytesbury Church of England Primary School
- Keevil Church of England Primary School
- Kingdown School
- New Close Community Primary School
- St John's Church of England Primary School
- West Ashton Church of England Primary School

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 22nd May Academy Trust Rounders Event 3.30 - 5.30 pm Heytesbury School

Sat 26th May Friends of the School Jumble Sale - Wilton Community Centre 11 am-1pm

Tues 29th May Oak Apple Day

Thur 21st June - Whole School Photo

Mon 25th June - St. Edmunds Year 5 evening 6.30 pm

Thurs 28th June - Sports Afternoon 1.30-3.00 pm

Fri 29th June - Year 5 Health and Wellbeing Day 9.00 - 2.30 pm

Mon 2nd July - Sarum Academy Year 5 Open Evening 6.30 pm

Mon 2 - Thur 5th July - Kingdown Transition Visits

Thurs 5th July - 6-7.30 pm School Disco - School Hall

Fri 6th July - Rural Sports Day at Wylve Valley Primary School

Tues 10th July 2.15 pm Music Concert with Mr Walker

Mon 16th-19th July - Year 6 Residential Visit to Hooke Court

Tues 24th July - Last Day of Term

10.30 am Year 6 Leavers Service

12.00 - Year 6 lunch celebration venue tbc

Wed 25th July - TD Day - School will be closed to pupils

Thurs 6th Dec - 6-7.30 pm School Disco - School Hall

