



# Newsletter

19.11.2018

The children have settled back into learning well after our half term break. I hope you managed to find time to spend with family and friends and have enjoyed the break.

All our children spent time in the first week back learning about Armistice Day, thinking about the service people who bravely fought and fight for our country in the past and in the present. Our KS1 children took part in a remembrance service at school, run by Miss Armstrong and our KS2 children took part in a more formal service across in St Giles' Church. It is worth mentioning here that our KS2 children made our school incredibly proud of them during our Remembrance Service. Our community has described their respect, reverence and behaviour as exemplary.

We have a busy and activity packed term ahead so please keep checking the school's calendar and weekly newsletters for school events,

## **P.E. Kit**

Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school to use during their PE Sessions. If you have any spare kit, including trainers that are in decent condition and perhaps a little small now, we would be grateful to receive these so we can ensure children continue to benefit from our Acorn Sports Coach when they have forgotten their own kit.

## **Earrings**

Our usual question, please ensure that children can take earrings out on PE days, or leave them at home on the days that they have PE lessons. This is to ensure that earrings do not get caught up in sports activities and cause injury.

## **Attendance figures:**

OWL: 97.8 %

KINGFISHER: 97.2%

SKYLARK: 96.2%

OSPREY: 98.4%

It is important to our school that we offer a rich and varied provision of enrichment activities for our children in order to widen their experience and further their learning. These may take the form of visits to stimulate or reinforce classroom learning; walks around the local environment and Diocesan visits to reinforce our church school status. These trips can only take place with the help of the voluntary contributions we ask for, as hiring coaches and costs of visits have all increased as our school budget has decreased. I must say thank you to all of you who help out with these voluntary contributions, allowing our school to keep providing these excellent opportunities.

### **Friends of the School**

Thank you to the parents that supported the Friends of the School AGM on Wednesday the following officers were elected: Nikki McNulty and Lisa Newman (Chair), Yvonne Piper (Treasurer) and Claire Baxter (Secretary).

The Friends ran a Jumble Sale on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, in South Newton Village Hall. Thank you to all those who supported this event. £160.25 in total was raised. This money will be used for the benefit of your children in projects to help learning within school.

Please could we ask for any donations of raffle prizes that we could use at our Bingo Evening which is being held on 30<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 pm in the South Newton and Great Wishford Village Hall. Please hand in any donations to the school office.

We will be holding our annual Christmas Craft Day on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November. This is a day spent working on planned activities linked to the Christmas themes. There will be copious quantities of glue, glitter etc around throughout the day, the day will be a non-uniform day, and pupils may dress up in Christmas costumes if they wish.

The children will be split into house groups and will work on activities provided. All the children will stay in their allocated groups throughout the day moving from activity to activity. We will allocate helpers to each activity, if you would be able to come into school to help either all day, in the morning or afternoon sessions, please sign up at the school office, in person, by telephone or by email

[admin@greatwishford.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@greatwishford.wilts.sch.uk) Many thanks for your support. This year, parents helping all day will need to bring in their own packed lunch. We will provide coffee and mince pies throughout the day.

As always, please continue to help us in our ongoing work with traffic and parking around our school. We accept that it is not an easy position to park in but we ask if you can make an effort to avoid parking across from the junction which leads into South Street or on the school's No Parking yellow zig-zags. Thank you for your help in keeping our children, and the community, safe.

### Dates for the Diary:

22/11/18- Year 6 height and weight check

26/11/18- Flu Vaccinations (YrR – 5 if consent letter has been signed and returned)

29/11/18- 2:00pm, Posada Service

30/11/18- Christmas Craft Day

Famiy Bingo – South Newton and Great Wishford Village Hall 7.30 pm

5/12/18- 1:30pm KS1 Christmas Play

6:00pm KS1 Christmas Play

6/12/18- 2:00pm- Salisbury Diocese Christingle Service (Year 5 and 6 children)

6:00pm-7.30 pm - Friends' Christmas Disco

7/12/18- Whole School Pantomime Trip

12/12/18- 1:30pm KS2 Christmas Performance

6:00pm KS2 Christmas Performance

**Certificates and Awards: The certificates and awards given in the Celebration Assembly 9/11/18 were as follows:**  
**Highest Classroom Attendance - Skylark Class**

**Class Certificates -**  
**William Snow- Owl Class**  
**Charlotte Lewis - Kingfisher Class**  
**Sophie Tribbeck - Skylark Class**  
**Ollie Khanchanakub - Osprey Class**

**Expectations Awards -**  
**Aspiration - Kaya Bilgic**  
**Belief - Lily-Mae Scard**  
**Determination - Teagan Cullingworth**  
**Pride - Rhys Beattie, Kaleb Marchment**  
**Resilience - Brayden Stockwell-Franklin**  
**Respect - Skylark Class**  
**Responsibility - Lily Brain**

**Reader of the week**  
**Owl Class - Joan Arrington**  
**Kingfisher Class - Charlie Bennett**  
**Skylark Class -Maisie Man-Clarke**  
**Osprey Class - Claire Shickle**  
**Maths Whizz Cup - Bobby Pillans**

**Top house point pupils:**  
**Natalie Baxter & Summer Henderson (11)**

**Half-Way to Bronze: Jake Hume, Lily Du Plessis, Theodore Smith**

**Certificates and Awards: The certificates and awards given in the Celebration Assembly 16/11/18 were as follows:**  
**Highest Classroom Attendance - Osprey Class 98.2%**

**Class Certificates -**  
**Jake Hume - Owl Class**  
**Alice-Anne Thomas - Kingfisher Class**  
**Lily Brain - Skylark Class**  
**Jessica Simpson - Osprey Class**

**Expectations Awards -**  
**Aspiration - Jake Dickinson**  
**Belief - Siena Scholes**  
**Determination - Leighton Marchment**  
**Pride - Amia McKee, Chelsey McCafferty**  
**Resilience - Alfie Chalk**  
**Respect - Oscar Nicholson**  
**Responsibility - Lewis Newman**

**Reader of the week**  
**Owl Class - Darcy Garrett**  
**Kingfisher Class - Michael De Jonge**  
**Skylark Class - Natalie Baxter**  
**Osprey Class - Gabriel Penny**  
**Maths Whizz Cup - Charlie Bevis**

**Top house point pupils:**  
**Lewis Newman (11)**

**Halfway to Bronze: Joan Arrington, Stanley Henstridge, Darcy Garrett, Jack Brian, Bobby Pillans**

**Silver Awards (100 house points)**  
**Tegan Randall, Ollie Khanchanakub**

