



# NEWSLETTER



Term 2  
10<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Parents and carers,

I am hoping by now that your children may have told you all about our rebranded Golden Time in school! To clarify, 20 minutes of Golden Time is given on a Friday as a reward for making good behaviour choices throughout the week. Where choices have not been good children can lose minutes from this special time.

As a team we constantly reflect on what we are doing to ensure that it is the very best for our children. We had noticed that we had an increasing number of children in Key Stage 2 losing some of their Golden Time. As we strive for all children to show the expected high standard of behaviour we decided that we needed to do Golden Time a bit differently. From term 2 the children have had the opportunity to select a Golden Time club that they would like to attend up until Christmas.

We have established the following 8 Golden time clubs for them to choose from:

- Construction (Lego, Knex...etc)
- Games (Minecraft - through the app, not online,
- Cooking
- Music
- Fitness (children's pilates, yoga..etc)
- Competitive Sports
- Gym Apparatus
- Chill Out (drawing, puzzles, card games)

It has been a real pleasure to see all of the children (and staff!) totally engaged in these activities and many of the children are telling me that they don't want to lose minutes now. For those children that only lose 5 minutes or less across term 2 there will be a new style Golden Guys party at the end of term. Your children will tell you all about it, I'm sure!

We have all observed a minutes silence in the playground today to mark Remembrance Day. The children did this with the utmost respect and we were all very proud of them. Thank you to those children who have helped to sell poppies too.

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to Parents' Evening in a couple of weeks' time. Please bring your children with you as it is really important that they are involved in the conversation about their learning too.

Have a lovely weekend,  
Claire Pocock  
Headteacher



These Year 2 children read  
EVERY DAY

During the week ending 10<sup>th</sup> November:

Liam \* Lily \* Macy \* Woodie \* Dexter \* Noah G \* Amelie



## Diary Dates

21<sup>st</sup> November – *Parents' Evening 4.30pm – 7pm*

22<sup>nd</sup> November – *Parents' Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm*

6<sup>th</sup> December – *KS1 Nativity*

7<sup>th</sup> December – *KS1 Nativity*

8<sup>th</sup> December – *Christmas Dinner – wear Christmas jumpers*

14<sup>th</sup> December – *KS2 Carol Service*

20<sup>th</sup> December – 3<sup>rd</sup> January – *Christmas holidays*

4<sup>th</sup> January – *First day of Term 3*

9<sup>th</sup> February – *INSET day*

Please note the change to one of our upcoming INSET days:  
We will now be closed for staff training on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February instead of Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April.

**WANTED: BALANCE BIKE IN GOOD CONDITION!**

If you can help, please speak to a member of the office team.  
Thank you!



## Breakfast Club and Playpals

These clubs are now at capacity on some days, resulting in us having to turn children away.

Please ensure you book your child/ren's place in advance, and cancel if you no longer need the space.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## PARENTS EVENINGS:

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November &  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Sign-up sheets will be in the porch from Monday

Come to our  
**BOOK FAIR**

## OUR BOOK FAIR IS COMING SOON!

Please come along after school on 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> November and during the Parents' Evenings on 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> to have a look and get some great deals on their fabulous books!

You can pay for books at the fair using your mobile phone, and you can also purchase gift vouchers at a discounted rate by going to the following website:

[www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/parents](http://www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/parents)

Banwell Primary will receive free books with purchases made by parents, so we hope to see lots of you there!



**BBC**

**Children  
in Need**

## Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November

We would like everyone to take part in Children in Need again this year, and donate a £1 to dress up as something fun! (This could be animals, superheroes, spotty, creative, funny, anything you like.)

Years 5 and 6 will also be planning games, stalls and activities that we can spend money on, so please bring some extra pennies!