

New Close News

Friday 7th June, 2019

Executive Head - Mr James Evans
Head Teacher - Miss Jane Brown

I am delighted to let you know that we have appointed Mrs Lucy Lisle as classroom teacher from September. She has come from Sutton Veny Primary School and has a lot of key stage 2 teaching experience. She will share a class with Mrs Kilminster and we are advertising for a further teacher. I will keep you updated when this appointment has been made.

Please can you ensure that you do not send any type of nut in with the children's packed lunches. This is because we have some children who are highly allergic to nuts and we want to minimise the chance of a reaction. I appreciate your support in this.

We are looking forward to all of our trips coming up this term. Letters have been sent home this week with the children in year 6 and also in Squirrel class so if you have not yet seen them please can you check their bags. Any payments and your permission for these trips have been set up on Wisepay.

Congratulations to Wilton House for winning last term's House Point Cup.

The final results were:

1st Wilton - 334 points

2nd Stourhead - 332 points

3rd Longleat - 318 points

As always the scores will revert back to zero for this term.

Good luck to all the Houses.



There will be a double celebration assembly next week along with Rabbit's assembly and we look forward to seeing parents at this.

Fox class have been reading stories dealing with complex issues surrounding 'outsiders'. They have read *Eric, The Island* and *The Wild Robot*, comparing the central characters and how they are treated on arrival to an unfamiliar setting, before writing their own narrative. The focus has been on creating cohesion - by using a variety of sentence starters - and varying sentence length by including a range of punctuation, to structure their writing.

As the Can Man forced the crate open (which proved to be quite difficult), he glistened in the sunlight. Intensely looking at his own reflection, he saw the emerald jewels of the tranquil coral reef. A few minutes later, he went on the snowy-sugar beach (which was blazing in the sunlight). The wild, wailing wind spoke to him like a human while the mountain boomed an angry message. *Matthew W*

Suddenly, he woke with a jolt. He felt dazed and confused. He felt slimy seaweed on him and he saw the swooping birds around him. His body smelt wet, soggy and salty. After a few minutes, he stood up and walked over to the glimmering sand. In the distance, he saw a lush green forest and felt damp, salty air around him. He walked over to the charcoal-coloured pebbles. *Ryan*

There was a storm crashing and howling in the ocean. The warning groan and rumble of the huge waves were followed by a splash like the swish of a curtain. Thunder rumbled ominously as if it were two giants locked in combat.

Layla

Have a good weekend.

Mr Evans

Learning Corner

RABBIT CLASS

In Rabbit Class this week, the children have been looking at alphabetically ordered non-fiction texts. We have been starting to write a class information book of our own, using our own interests.

In maths we have been learning more about money and using it to help us count in 10s and 5s and 2s. We also enjoyed our first class swim!

OTTER CLASS

In English, we have been studying different types of poetry and talking about our preferences, using the appropriate vocabulary.

In maths, we have been improving our multiplication and division skills, including problem solving.

SQUIRREL CLASS

In maths lessons this week, Year 3 have been consolidating how to add and subtract 3-digit numbers using a formal, column method and multiplying 2- or 3-digit numbers using the grid method. They then used these methods to solve word problems. Year 2 have been learning how to add or subtract $11/21$ and $9/19$ by adding or subtracting by 10 and adjusting by 1.

In English lessons this week, the children have been reading and enjoying play scripts, identifying the features of a play script and writing a play script. In Grammar, Y3 have been consolidating their understanding of punctuating direct speech while Y2 have been identifying nouns and adjectives.

FOX CLASS

This week in English, we have been thinking about what it means to be an outsider. We have read *Eric, The Island* and *The Wild Robot*, comparing the fates of the central characters, in order to create a narrative about a refugee. Our writing focus has been on extending our powers of description, writing cohesively - using a range of adverbials- and looking closely at how our use of a range of punctuation can help us structure our writing.

In maths, we have worked on our reasoning, problem solving and arithmetic skills to solve daily problems and revisited how our knowledge of multiples and factors helps us when working with fractions and prime numbers.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

If you would like your child to have a school meal please remember to book it on Wisepay. If you have any problems booking a meal on Wisepay please contact the school office.

Below is a link to vacancies within the Acorn Education Trust:

<https://acorneducationtrust.com/job-vacancies>.



E-Newsletter

Please help us to reduce our carbon footprint by having your newsletters sent by email. Just let the office staff know - call in, telephone or email:

office@newclose.wilts.sch.uk



Fruit bowl



When available we will keep a fruit bowl for the KS2 children to choose from, if they want it. This is a great

way to encourage healthy choices and helps to top up energy levels during the day - as we already see in the younger children, who have free fruit or vegetables every day in school. **Please let us know if you do not want us to offer fruit to your child.**

Friday 21st June
2019

9:30am to 2:00pm

Corn Exchange,
Devizes
SN10 1HS

Are you a parent carer of an **Early Years or Primary aged child with Special Needs or a Disability?**

Free for all to attend
Parent carers' expenses paid

Do you want to know more about information, services and support for parent carers of children with Special Needs and Disabilities?

Come to the WPCPC's **Early Years/Primary Information Event** where you will find a **Market Place of Information**, a **free café** to give you time to talk and network with services and other parent carers, and **information workshops**.

Young Children Welcome - Free Children's Entertainer!

Professionals working with parent carers welcome too.

BOOKING is ESSENTIAL

You can book online by visiting:-

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WPCPC-EYandP-Event2019>

Alternatively, call us on 01225 764647 (option 1)

Or email: admin@wiltspsc.co.uk

BOOKING CLOSSES AT 5PM ON SUNDAY 16TH JUNE 2019

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Details of term dates, events and assemblies can be found on our school website. www.newclose.wilts.sch.uk