



Wraxall School Newsletter

Friday 23rd February 2018

[Dates for your diary](#)

Thursday 1st March: World Book Day

Friday 2nd March: Year 1's to accompany Reception class on the welly walk & FWSA Quiz Night

Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th March: Parent's evenings - booking system now open

Thursday 15th March: Year 3 & 4 at Caerleon for the day

Friday 16th March: Year 1's to accompany Reception class on the welly walk

Thursday 22nd March: Year 1 & 2 trip to Noah's Ark Zoo farm

Friday 23rd March: Rugby day & Last day of term

TUESDAY 10th APRIL: Back to school

Information for Parents



Simply click [here](#) to access the website and navigate through the articles you would like to read. New content is added weekly.

LIBRARY BOOKS

Please could all children return their library books on **Thursday** next week instead of Friday.

FWSA

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, 2nd March, 19:30, Long Ashton Village Hall: Quiz Night

Friday, 8th June, 19:30 (tbc), White Hart, Weston-in-Gordano: Summer Party (for grown ups)

Friday, 29th June, 15:30, Failand Village Hall: Summer Fayre (for everyone)

QUIZ NIGHT: 2nd March

The annual Wraxall School Quiz Night is back! Quiz-masters-extraordinaire Alice and Dave will again be stumping us all. Everyone is welcome, so spread the word to friends, family, neighbours and strangers! Doors open at 19:00 for a 19:30 start at the Long Ashton Village Hall. Food will be served after the first couple of rounds. Crisps and other snacks will be available to purchase at any time. Early bird tickets, with a slight discount, are available online now!

[Tickets for the Wraxall C of E VA Primary School Quiz Night](#)

SAVE THE DATE: SUMMER PARTY!

Details will follow, but for the moment make sure you hold the evening of 8th June free for the Wraxall School Summer Party..for grown-ups! It'll be a fun, social night for parents, carers, teachers and other folks from the Wraxall Primary School community at the White Hart in Weston-in-Gordano.

CLASS WISHLISTS

This is a new initiative that the FWSA is going to try out. These lists are a result of the FWSA getting requests from parents for ways to help classes directly, over and above the normal fundraising we do. These are things that will make a difference in teaching and administering, but that fall outside the extremely tight and dwindling school budgets.

See the lists, and a full explanation here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zbaxkU_J_C8Sta2ivt-EZNxWara9ew6nj_1SSpU1Kss/

Thanks and have a great weekend!

FWSA

Church News



SUNDAY 4th MARCH

Bishop Ruth to join us at All Saints' Church on Sunday March 4th at 10am. This is the first time any Bishop has visited our parish for a number of years and we are really looking forward to welcoming her.

The bishop has been invited as there are five people who want to be confirmed (when teenagers or adults affirm the promises that were made for them when they were baptised.) One of that group is our foundation Governor Dave Green and I am inviting you to join us for the celebration. The service is an ATIC communion service that will be suitable for all ages. There will be lots to take part in and we hope that the school choir will sing as part of the celebration and if any other children want to take part there will be other roles to play! We want it to be a community celebration reflecting the close relationship between the church, school and community so ALL are welcome.

YEAR 3 & 4 PARENTS

You should have received an invitation this week for a dinner party being held in the Cross Tree Centre on Friday March 16th at 7.30pm. If you have not received one then please contact the school office.

Message from Mr Tucker

Dear Parents/Carers,

Even by our standards, at Wraxall it has been a funny little week; not least because a particularly virulent virus has been doing the rounds, laying Year 1/2 and 3/4 particularly low. In fact, cough, I may, cough, be too ill, cough, cough, to come in on Monday. Atishoo. (Blimey, I hope I am not ill now, it is going to look a smidge suspicious if I am!)

Reception have been concentrating on their addition and subtraction skills this week. Pegs were added to a hanger and then covered up with Mrs H's poncho (as one does). After this, a number of pegs were removed and the children had to work out how many were left. All of the numbers added up to ten, with this being the start of their number bond skills. If you cannot see what is beneath the cover, you really have to conceptually understand what is going on and use those subtraction/number bond skills to calculate how many are left. Most impressive.

Year 1/2 and Year 3/4 were up to something a little bit different this Monday afternoon, when they started a course on Health and Wellbeing. Concentrating on the four key areas of drinking enough of the right fluids, being active, eating a balanced diet and getting sufficient sleep, they will be looking at how these factors can influence their general wellbeing and mindfulness. One of the tasks they had to perform was devising, in groups, an aerobic activity which involved their whole body and had to last for 30 seconds. They then chose verbs to describe how they felt during the activity, afterwards and even when they were watching others exercise; trying to link the emotional with the physical side. With so much in the media at the moment on mental health, I am delighted that we have the opportunity to take part in this programme.

Right, so this is an extract from a conversation that Mr Khanna and I had earlier on this week.

"So, Mr Khanna, what are your class up to in PE now that football has finished?"

"Oh, that's easy, we're going to be playing Quidditch."

"Ah, that will be exciting for them... Wait! Hang on? You're doing what now?!"

I appreciate that this needs a little explanation but essentially, that is what they are doing: playing Quidditch. Instead of broomsticks they 'ride' hockey sticks, sponge balls are used as 'bludgers', one pupil acts as the 'snitch', 'beaters' protect the 'seekers' from the sponge balls and the goalkeeper guards three hoops which act as the goals. (Seriously, I'm not making this up. You can Google it). Once they had gotten over their incredulity, the class had a brilliant time and are currently getting to grips with some of the nuances and rules. Interestingly, when Georgia found out that there were no boundaries to the pitch (a bit like Lacrosse) she used the opportunity to make a bid for freedom and was last seen disappearing towards Yatton shouting, 'I see the snitch, I see the snitch.' And so it came to be that Wraxall children should not only have access to archery and fencing clubs (no, no, that is too tame) they are now playing the games of wizards and witches. Standard.

Thank you so much to everyone who came to our Book for Bedtime evening last night. Whenever you introduce something new, you are never quite sure how it is going to pan out but this was a big

success. Onesies were donned, beautiful stories told (like *The Tear Thief* by Carol Ann Duffy). If you have not read it, make it a priority; it's a stunner) and Year 5/6 had the pants scared off them with some creepy descriptions in the dark. Mrs Brierley and Mr Khanna did an excellent job of organising the event, with the FWSA once more, manning the barricades and Lucy supplying a truck load of biscuits. Thank you.

As many of you will know, Bishop Ruth is coming to our church on Sunday 4th March to baptise several members of the congregation. This promises to be a very special service; if you would like to attend, you really would be more than welcome.

This time our Stars of the Week are Henry in Reception, Eloise & Finley in Year 1/2, Arabella & Phoebe S in year 3/4 and Poppy R & Zoe in Year 5/6. Very impressive chaps. The house with the most conduct marks was Phoenix and the highest number of work marks were awarded jointly to Griffins & Dragons. Bronze badges were awarded to Sienna, Zachary & Michael.

Have a lovely weekend. Play safely and take care. Luckily for me, Mrs T has decided we need a new bathroom, so rather than watching England Vs Scotland this weekend, I shall be choosing tiles. I'm a lucky boy.

Mr Tucker





Community News

MOLLY'S MAGIC TEA PARTY in aid of The Brain Tumour Charity

On Saturday 3rd, 10am-4pm at Portishead Youth centre, Sammy Tucker & her Possett Pals will be raising vital funds for Molly's magic fund within The Brain Tumour Charity. They are aiming to raise £500 by selling tea, coffee, cakes & raffle tickets.

Molly sadly died on 28 September 2017 after a four year battle with a brain tumour and her parents have actively supported the charity since that time.

ABOVE & BEYOND

[Buy tickets for 80's Party - Charity Night at Abbots Leigh Village Hall, Sat 24 February 2018](#)

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Buy tickets for 80's Party - Charity Night at Abbots Leigh Village Hall, Sat 24 February 2018 - It's time to dig out your best fluorescent ra-ra skirts, socks and leg warmers and join Dan, Bex, Ben & Nikki for a fun night of 80's disco. There will be guest DJ sets from Smashy and Nicey, and plenty of dodgy dance moves to boot - and I'm not just talking about Ben's robot... Well okay I am, just promise me you

won't tell Ben I said anything ;-)
So please come and join us for lots of 80's fun and help us raise 'LOADSA MONEY!' for our Bristol to Paris bike ride all in aid of the Above and Beyond charity www.aboveandbeyond.org.uk
Entry is limited to just 80 tickets at a very reasonable £10 (plus booking) per adult. There will be an honesty bar and food available (probably curry or chilli) for a small fee, but there will definitely be plenty of fun, dodgy people with one glove trying to moonwalk, a raffle, and prizes for the best fancy dress - male & female. See you there pop pickers!! DBB&N



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