

## Frogwell Primary School & Complex Needs Resource Base

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## **Frogwell Primary School Newsletter**

17<sup>th</sup> March 2023

### Attendance

This week's attendance

The highest attending classes this week were:

- Lewis 97.1% (top for 2<sup>nd</sup> week in a row!)
  - Rowling 96.7%
  - Donaldson and Dahl 96%

The top class gets extra playtime! Whole school attendance this week 93.1%.

### **Parent-School Association**

Thank you to the parents and staff who came to the open information meeting on Wednesday to express an interest in setting up a new Parent-School Association. The meeting was really well attended and the decision was made that, yes, we do want to start a new Association! A steering group has been identified to work on planning the way ahead with the aim of holding a formal AGM and electing a committee ready for September. Watch this space!

### Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings

We are holding our Spring Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March (16.00-18.30) and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March (15:30-17:30). Booking information has been sent out separately and it is great to see that a large number of families are signed up for appointments. Rugby Club will continue on 21<sup>st</sup> March as normal but Drama and Gym Clubs that week will not be running. Please be aware that appointment slots are limited and teachers cannot offer multiple appointments for the same child. Where parents are separated, it is expected that they will share one appointment slot except for the very small number of families where there is a very strong welfare-related reason, such as a court order, preventing it.

Parents will need to enter the site through the small playground gate on Derriads Lane and then come into the building via the door near the hall (turn right immediately after the climbing wall once you have come through the gate!). All the teachers <u>except</u> Mrs Jenkins (Donaldson Class) and Mrs Gumbrill (Potter Class) will be in their usual classrooms; Mrs Jenkins will be in The Den (opposite the hall) and Mrs Gumbrill will be in the McKee Class area next door to Mrs Ward. There will be a sign to point you in the right direction!

There will also be refreshments in the corridor area near the Year 3 and 4 classes. On the Tuesday there will also be a pop-up uniform stall from Chippenham Uniform Exchange.

### School and children's news

#### Red Nose Day

To celebrate Red Nose Day and raise money for Comic Relief, we invited all the children to dress up in red clothing on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March for a minimum donation of £1. We had a sea of red today and will let you know next week how much we raised for this fantastic charity.

#### Children's news

Well done to **Ivy B** who has achieved her Animal Lover badge at Rainbows by caring for Winnie the Guinea Pig!

Well done to Noah S-B who has gained his Stage 2 swimming badge and certificate!



#### World Down Syndrome Awareness Day – Tuesday 21st March

On Tuesday we will be joining in with World Down Syndrome Awareness Day by inviting everyone to wear their brightest and funkiest odd socks to school (no money needed). We will also be sending each child home with a packet of sunflower seeds. We would love the children to grow a sunflower at home and send/bring in photos of them being planted and eventually growing. The idea of the sunflower challenge is help everyone remember that we all grow and bloom in different ways and at our own pace.

Thank you very much to Morrisons who kindly donated the seeds for us to use for World DS Awareness Day.



#### Golden Book celebration

I was joined by twelve children this afternoon for a new initiative where we are celebrating the children as they receive their Golden Book entry certificates. Every few weeks we are having a small tea party for the children who have reached the different stages of the Golden Book. Each child received a personal invitation and we had squash, biscuits and flapjacks in the Headteacher's office. The children talked about the things they are proud of themselves for. We have our next tea party celebration in a few weeks for the next 'batch' of children. Well done to all the children who attended today's party; some of them got their very first '5 entries' certificates and some are on the way to 100!



#### 'Open Classrooms' drop-in – Monday 27th March

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March we are trying a new informal event for parents, carers and family members. From 15:05 until 15.30 the classrooms will be open for a short time for you to come in with your child and look at your children's books, displays etc This is a chance for the children to show you what they have been doing and explain their different pieces of work and topics. It is fine to bring pre-school siblings but please do make sure they stay with you and that they are being fully supervised at all times. If you have more than one child at school, you can visit each of their classrooms. No booking needed, just wait at the door where your child comes out at the end of school and we will let you in from 15:05 (once we have matched children up to their collecting adults at home time!).

#### <u>Assemblies</u>

Whole-school assemblies for the last two weeks have focused on **compassion**. Elyse P wrote her own ideas about what compassion means to her...



#### Mothers' Day gift fundraising

The children have been busy making Mother's Day gifts for the special women in their lives. Those children who paid £1 will have gift-wrapped their crafts and we hope the recipients like their handmade presents. The money raised from this is being put towards an event for the children in the summer which we are keeping under wraps for now to avoid spoiling the surprise, but we will let you know how much we made next week, along with some photos. Thank you so much to Mrs Martinson, Mrs Gosal and their team of Year 6 helpers for organising this, especially Mrs Martinson who is the creative brain behind it!

#### Diary dates for 2022-23

Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> March	World Down Syndrome Awareness Day (odd socks)
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> and Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Open Classrooms drop-in 15:05-15:30
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Lewis and Rowling Classes to Olympiad for Shelburne Ensemble
	musical performance
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Morpurgo Class to Hardenhuish (all day)
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	Last day of Term 4
3 <sup>rd</sup> April – 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Easter holidays
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	TD day – no school for children
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Start of Term 5
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Extra Bank Holiday for the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Year 6 SATs week
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Children's Coronation picnic (after Y6 SATs!)
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Last day of Term 5
29 <sup>th</sup> May – 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023	Half term
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Start of Term 6
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2023	TD day – no school for children
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Last day of Term 6



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## EASTER 2023 - HARDENHUISH SCHOOL MULTI SPORTS COURSE

Tuesday 4th - Wednesday 5th & Tuesday 11th - Wednesday 12th April 2023



Open to boys and girls of all abilities aged 5 - 13

Learn new sports, improve your skills and have fun with your friends!

Fantastic variety of sports / activities | Sports include:

Football, Mini Olympics, Tennis, Handball, Hockey, Cricket, Ultimate Frisbee, Dodgeball, Trampolining, Laser tag, Lacrosse, Archery, Basketball, Rugby, New Age Kurling, Team Building Challenges

## There will be daily competitions, prizes and Team Challenges involving multiple activities including an Inflatable Obstacle Course!

Our activity days are structured around teamwork and working together and are delivered in a fun and engaging atmosphere

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