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Frogwell Primary School Newsletter

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Attendance and absence matters

This week's attendance

Whole school attendance this week was 95.3%, which is a big improvement on the last few weeks.

The highest attending classes this week were:

- Lewis and Donaldson – 100%
- Dahl – 99%
- Rowling – 97.5%

The top class gets extra playtime!



Staff news

I would like to welcome Mrs Hayley Crawley to the Frogwell team as a new Teaching Assistant working mainly in Rowling Class.

Breakfast Book Club

Our daily Breakfast Book Club is going from strength to strength! Please remember that it runs every morning from 08:30 in the dining hall and is completely free and open to **all**. No booking is needed and you can drop in on some days and not others – there is no commitment needed. The children need to be accompanied by a parent/carer except for those Year 6 pupils who already walk to school by themselves. The children can choose from a selection of breakfast foods and drinks and also have the opportunity to share the books and magazines on offer. [We are hoping to also start up an adult book swap service too, where parents/carers can borrow/swap a book to take home \(a bit like the ones sometimes seen in old phone boxes etc in the community\). We are not quite there with the adult books yet but would love to hear your feedback on whether this is something people would be interested in.](#)

Class and children's news

Samuel H has been awarded a certificate from the Super 1s cricket festival for excellent match play and teamwork – well done Samuel!

Arabella S-B has achieved her Rainbow Distance 5m swimming certificate and badge – what a brilliant achievement!

Well done to Sophie, Daniel, Emilija and Oscar from Morpurgo Class who went to Abbeyfield School this morning to take part in the 'All Active Academy' organised by the Chippenham Sports Partnership. They now have a full day of activities to look forward to in June at Bath University!

- Sophie said "My favourite part was when we did trampolining. I was scared at the start but then I got really confident and I was happy."
- Oscar said "I enjoyed everything. It was fun because there were lots of activities like golf, trampolining and making fruit smoothies."
- Daniel said "My favourite part was golf. We already knew the coach because he has been to Frogwell before. We did mini-golf and I kept hitting 50."
- Emilija said "I really enjoyed the trampolining. I did ten jumps and had to try to land on the cross."

Parent-Teacher Association

I am very pleased to have been contacted by a number of parents who are interested in working with the school to start up a new PTA. A PTA is a group of volunteer parents and teachers who work together to make their school a better environment for children to learn. They raise extra funds through a wide range of fun and creative initiatives and events. Setting up a PTA is a lot of work but we have really missed having one over the last few years so are keen to work with the parent community to get something started again.

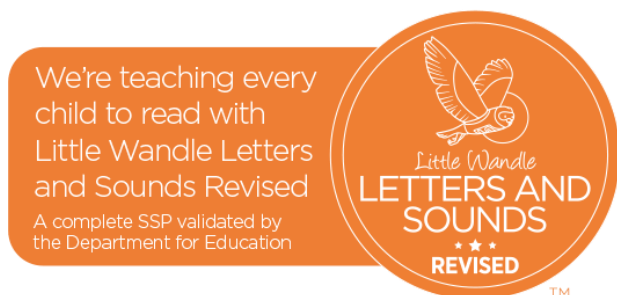
If you are interested in finding out more about what might be involved and expressing an interest in participating in a brand-new PTA, we will be holding an [open meeting with refreshments from 18:00-19:00 on Wednesday 15th March](#) at school. Please note that this will need to be an adults-only meeting; we cannot accommodate any children. Please come to the front office at 18:00.

National Education Union industrial action

As you will be aware, the NEU has planned three further strike days on 2nd, 15th and 16th March. We do not yet know what impact these may have on our school. Union members are not required to give any advance notice of their intention to strike, so we are unlikely to know the impact until nearer the time. I will, of course, keep you as informed as I can about the situation as it develops.

School Facebook page

Have you seen our Facebook page for parents and carers? Make sure you find the **official** school page, which looks like this.



Diary dates for 2022-23

Week beginning 27 th Feb	World Book Week
Wed 15 th March	Meeting to discuss potential new PTA (6pm-7pm at school)
Thurs 30 th March	Morpurgo Class to Hardenhuish (all day)
Fri 31 st March 2023	Last day of Term 4
3 rd April – 14 th April 2023	Easter holidays
Mon 17 th April 2023	TD day – no school for children
Tues 18 th April 2023	Start of Term 5
Mon 8 th May 2023	Extra Bank Holiday for the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III
Tues 9 th – Fri 12 th May 2023	Year 6 SATs week
Fri 26 th May 2023	Last day of Term 5
29 th May – 2 nd June 2023	Half term
Mon 5 th June 2023	Start of Term 6
Fri 23 rd June 2023	TD day – no school for children
Tues 25 th July 2023	Last day of Term 6

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