



Frogwell Primary School & Complex Needs Resource Base

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## Frogwell Primary School Newsletter

Don't forget **Open Classrooms** on Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Feb,  
15.20-15.35 (except Halls Class, which is on Thursday!)

2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

### Attendance

#### Current week attendance

The past week has seen a significant amount of illness among pupils and staff so whole-school attendance has been very low. For the academic year to date we are doing very slightly worse than nationally, so we need to aim to raise attendance figures as much as we can.

The top classes were:

1. **Donaldson Class 97.3%**
2. **Halls Class 97%**
3. **Potter Class 95%**

The highest attending class (or classes!) each week wins extra playtime or another activity chosen by the class. *We have also introduced a bigger class prize/reward at the end of each term for the class that has the highest attendance overall for that term – last term it was King-Smith Class. Who will it be this term?* Please remember that the school is required to refer children who have 10 or more sessions of unauthorised absence to the Education Welfare Officer, and that each school day has two sessions. Our full Attendance Policy can be found on the school website.

### Driving and parking on and around school site

You may have seen the local police and PCSOs visiting school around drop off and pick up times this week. School has requested support from the police because we are so concerned about some of the unsafe and inconsiderate driving and parking we are seeing both in the car park area and on Derriads Lane. This has included speeding through the car park, parking on double yellow lines or up on curbs, parking in places that block the flow of traffic or impede visibility. I need the whole community to remember that parking or driving in these ways **puts children's safety at risk**. I am aware that many, many of you are rightly fed up of seeing this type of behaviour; we need to work together to help it stop – obviously in ways that are polite and respectful at all times. I will continue to involve the police with any incidents as needed. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

### Staffing news

Sadly one of our teachers, Mrs Sheppard, will be leaving at the end of next week. Mrs Sheppard has been at our school for 8 years so we will miss her very much. We are in the process of arranging the new staffing for the classes she works with and will update the relevant parents as soon as we can.

### Bake sale 08/02/24

Parent Pond are running a Valentine's Bake Sale after school on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February. Cake/bake donations only from King-Smith, Lewis, McKee, Morpurgo and Rowling Classes this time please (it was the other classes baking last time!). **All classes can attend the sale and buy cakes**. Please can the relevant classes bring their bakes in on the morning of 8<sup>th</sup> Feb with allergens clearly labelled.

**Valentines Bake Sale**  
All treats lovingly baked by  
KS2  
Come and eat your heart out!  
All bakes 50p  
Frogwell dining hall  
3:15pm  
8th February  
To find out what this bake sale is  
funding, like us on Facebook

The Parent Pond

Cakes to be donated by King-Smith, Lewis, McKee, Morpurgo and Rowling Classes please!



## Children's news

### Corsham Bookshop visit

The school will be increasing our stock of Key Stage 2 reading for pleasure books so to help decide what to buy, King-Smith, Lewis and Rowling classes welcomed Janet and Helen from The Corsham Bookshop to join our assembly on Wednesday. They then spent some time with each class, sharing some amazing new book releases with us.

The children particularly liked the new graphic novels and we will be discussing which of these to add to our classroom book collections. Our English leader, Mrs Snowden, will be visiting Corsham Bookshop to select some exciting new titles before classes make the final decision.

We are always on the lookout for good condition books that are no longer used at home, particularly for our older readers. If you have books that you think are suitable please let us know what you have that you might wish to donate if you are having a clearout!



### Morpurgo Class visit to Sheldon

Morpurgo Class had a taster day at Sheldon School on Wednesday, where they took part in a variety of lessons and experienced a secondary school day. They had a great time!



Have you seen our new website? The address is the same, but it looks different! We hope you will find it easier to navigate and more useful. Please take a look at [www.frogwell.co.uk](http://www.frogwell.co.uk)



Be an attendance **HERO!**



**H**ere  
**E**very day  
**R**eady  
**O**n time

Can **you** help your class win the weekly attendance award  
Remember.... **EVERY DAY COUNTS!**

## Diary dates

<b>Wed 31<sup>st</sup> January</b>	Morpurgo Class visit to Sheldon School (taster day)
<b>Tues 6<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Chippenham Schools Dance Festival at Neeld Hall (evening – Halls Class)
<b>Wed 7<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Open Classrooms 15.20-15.35
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Last day of Term 3
<b>12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Half term
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	TD day – school closed to children
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Children return to school for Term 4
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Class photos for Reception and Year 6
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Morpurgo Class visit to Hardenhuish School (taster day)
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	TD day – school closed to children
<b>Fri 29<sup>th</sup> March – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Easter holidays
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Return to school for Term 5
<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup>/Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	Year 3/4 residential trip to Grittleton House Adventures
<b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Key Stage 2 SATs week (Year 6)
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	End of Term 5
<b>27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Half term
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	Return to school for Term 6
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Last day of school year

### Remaining Teacher Training Day dates for 2023/24

The school will be closed to children on:

- Monday 19th February 2024
- Thursday 28th March 2024
- Friday 5th July 2024