



Frogwell Primary School & Complex Needs Resource Base

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Frogwell Primary School Newsletter

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Staff news

I am pleased to let you know that **Ms Nicholls** will be returning to school next week; she will be easing in slowly so won't be taking over all her teaching duties straight away, but she will be back working Monday-Wednesday and we are all pleased to see her return.

I also need to let parents know that one of our Resource Base teachers, **Mrs Gumbrell**, will be leaving us at the end of the school year. Mrs Gumbrell has been an incredible member of the team for the past ten years, providing wonderful support to our children and being a true champion of children with additional needs. We are going to miss her terribly but the time is right for her to take the next step in her career. We are recruiting for a new Resource Base Leader to start in September.

You may also know that our Admin Officer, **Mrs McCosh**, is retiring at the end of the school year after a very long time at Frogwell in lots of different roles. Mrs McCosh is one of the people you will have almost certainly have been helped by in one way or another and the school community won't be the same without her. We are making some structural amendments to the Admin team at this natural time of change and are recruiting for an Admin Officer (General) and Admin Officer (Finance).

Attendance and punctuality

This week's whole-school attendance was 95.6%. The top classes were:

1. **Potter Class 97.8%** 2. **King-Smith Class 97.4%** 3. **Dahl Class 95.3%**

The highest attending class (or classes!) each week wins extra playtime or another activity chosen by the class. **We also have a bigger class prize/reward at the end of each term for the class that has the highest attendance overall for that term – the winning class for Term 4 overall was Donaldson Class, who also won in Term 3! 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.

Free School Meals – are you eligible?

As you may know, all children nationally in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to 'universal' free school meals, regardless of family income. This changes from Year 3, where only those children whose parents are in receipt of certain benefits are eligible for free school meals. If your child is in Year 2, please check if you will be eligible for FSM in September – see the list below and please apply!

Please apply even if you do not intend for your child to actually eat the meals! FSM registration brings more funding into the school via the Pupil Premium and this is used to support the school's provision for disadvantaged learners.

Eligible children in Year 6 will also need to be reapplied for in order to qualify for FSM at secondary school.

Free school meals can be awarded only if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Job Seeker's Allowance (income-based)
- Employment and Support Allowance (income-related)
- support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit - providing you are NOT entitled to Working Tax Credit and your family's annual income (as assessed by HMRC) is not more than £16,190 (as at 6 April 2012)

- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment you may receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)

Apply: <https://parentportal.wiltshire.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/free-school-meals>

This data is correct at April 2024 but is subject to change.


Balls and trading cards!

Please can all parents, but specially in Key Stage 2, make sure children are not bringing Pokemon cards or balls from home to school. They are not allowed and cause a lot of problems.

Reminder

Please remember that vaping and smoking are banned by law on all school premises – this includes the school frontage along Derriads Lane, the car park and the grass areas. Please can parents who wish to smoke or vape make sure they are well away from the school land and entrances. Thank you for your support with this.





CLOGETTES PRODUCTION OF

Disney's

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL



JR

18th May 2024 7:00pm
19th May 2024 2:00pm

Neeld Community & Arts Centre,
Chippenham
Tickets from £12
Neeld.co.uk / 01249 446699
Booking charges will apply

Book by David Singsperg Songs by Matthew Gerrard & Robbie Neill, Ray Clain, Greg Cham & Andrew Sealey;
Randy Petersen & Kevin Quinn Andy Bold & Adam Watts, Bryan Lemelle, David N. Lawrence & Faye Greenberg, Jesse Houston
Music Adapted, Arranged & Produced by Bryan Lassalle Based on a Disney Channel Movie Written by Peter Baruchini

Disney's High School Musical JR is presented through special arrangement with and all intellectual materials are supplied by
Music Theatre International, New York, NY 212-541-4654; mtidirect.com

News from The Parent Pond!



Upcoming Events
~~Tuesday 7th May~~
Spring Bake Sale
Wednesday 22nd May
May Madness Discos
Monday 17th June
Euro 2024 Bake Sale
Friday 28th June
Non Uniform Day
Saturday 6th July
FrogStock

Want to learn more about what we do or ways that you could help? Drop us an email!
theparentpond23@gmail.com

Classlist

Details for all our upcoming events can be found on Classlist. If you haven't joined us there yet you can download the app from either the App Store or Google Play and search for The Parent Pond!

Please note all presale events such as discos are only available for purchase on Classlist and tickets will not be available on the day. **Friday 17th May is the last day for booking disco tickets!**

MAY MADNESS DISCO!
WEDNESDAY 22 MAY

EYFS, KS1 + POTTER	£4 ENTRY 3.15 - 4.30PM TICKET PRICE INCLUDES UNLIMITED SQUASH AND A HOTDOG.
KS2 + MCKEE	£4 ENTRY 5.00 - 6.15PM TICKET PRICE INCLUDES UNLIMITED SQUASH AND A HOTDOG. SWEET BAG AVAILABLE AT END OF DISCO FOR £1.

TICKETS AVAILABLE VIA CLASSLIST

PARENT POND PRESENTS
SPRING BAKE SALE
Tuesday 7 May
3.15PM - DINING HALL
Baked by KS1 - 50p per bake

Diary dates

Mon 13th – Thurs 16th May	Key Stage 2 SATs week (Year 6)
Wed 22nd May	Parent Pond children's discos
Friday 24th May	End of Term 5
27th – 31st May	Half term
Monday 3rd June	Return to school for Term 6
Mon 17th June	Parent Pond Euro 2024-themed cake sale (KS2 to supply cakes/bakes)
Wed 26th June (AM)	Sports Day (weather dependent). Picnic lunch afterwards. Parents / Carers invited.
Wed 3d July (AM)	Reserve Sports Day
Fri 28th June	Non-uniform day in exchange for tombola items
Sat 6th July	Parent Pond 'FrogStock' summer fair
Wednesday 24th July	Year 6 leavers' assembly 14.30 Last day of school year

Remaining Teacher Training Day dates for 2023/24

The school will be closed to children on:

- Friday 5th July 2024