



Frogwell Primary School & Complex Needs Resource Base

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## Frogwell Primary School Newsletter

20<sup>th</sup> September 2024

### Home-School Agreement

Our Home-School Agreement for the year was sent out to all parents / carers this week to digitally sign via the Teachers 2 Parents system to show they support it. Thanks to the many who have already signed. Please sign by Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September if you have not already done so. **If for any reason you do not agree to support and sign the Home-School Agreement, please contact the school as soon as possible to make an appointment to discuss this with a member of the Governing Board.**

### Attendance

The whole-school attendance for the term to date is 96.3%, which is really good – keep it up, everyone!

The top classes were:

**1. King-Smith Class 99.3%**      **2. Lewis Class 97.2%**      **3. Rosen Class 97%**

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, and one for the whole year!**

### Flu nasal immunisations

The usual annual flu nasal immunisations are taking place at school on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October - emails will be coming out soon to sign up for these. These are a nasal spray, not an injection, and will only be administered by the nursing team to those children whose parents have given consent. You can find out more about the vaccine from the NHS at <https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/?scrlybrkr=14c0745c>

### Important reminders

- Long hair must be properly tied back for PE lessons and Forest Schools please due to safety. It is best if long hair is tied back all the time and school due to the risk of headlice spreading more easily, but for PE/Forest Schools it is essential.
- **No hoop earrings or any other jewellery** at school please – a single pair of small stud earrings and a basic (non-smart) watch are all that is allowed, again for safety reasons and risk of loss/damage.
- There should be **no Pokemon cards, football cards** or similar at school. Cards that are brought will be confiscated until the end of the day.
- Please can children be reminded to walk, not run, across the playground at drop-off time – we have had a couple of accidents from children charging across at such a busy time.

### 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. There is more information, including the eligibility criteria, at <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/1669/Free-school-meals>

**Please apply even if you do not intend for your child to actually eat the meals, or if your child is getting the universal free meal in Reception, Y1 and Y2! FSM registration brings more funding into the school via the Pupil Premium Grant and this is used to support the school's provision for disadvantaged learners.**

Apply: <https://parentportal.wiltshire.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/home>

## Children's news

### Out of school news

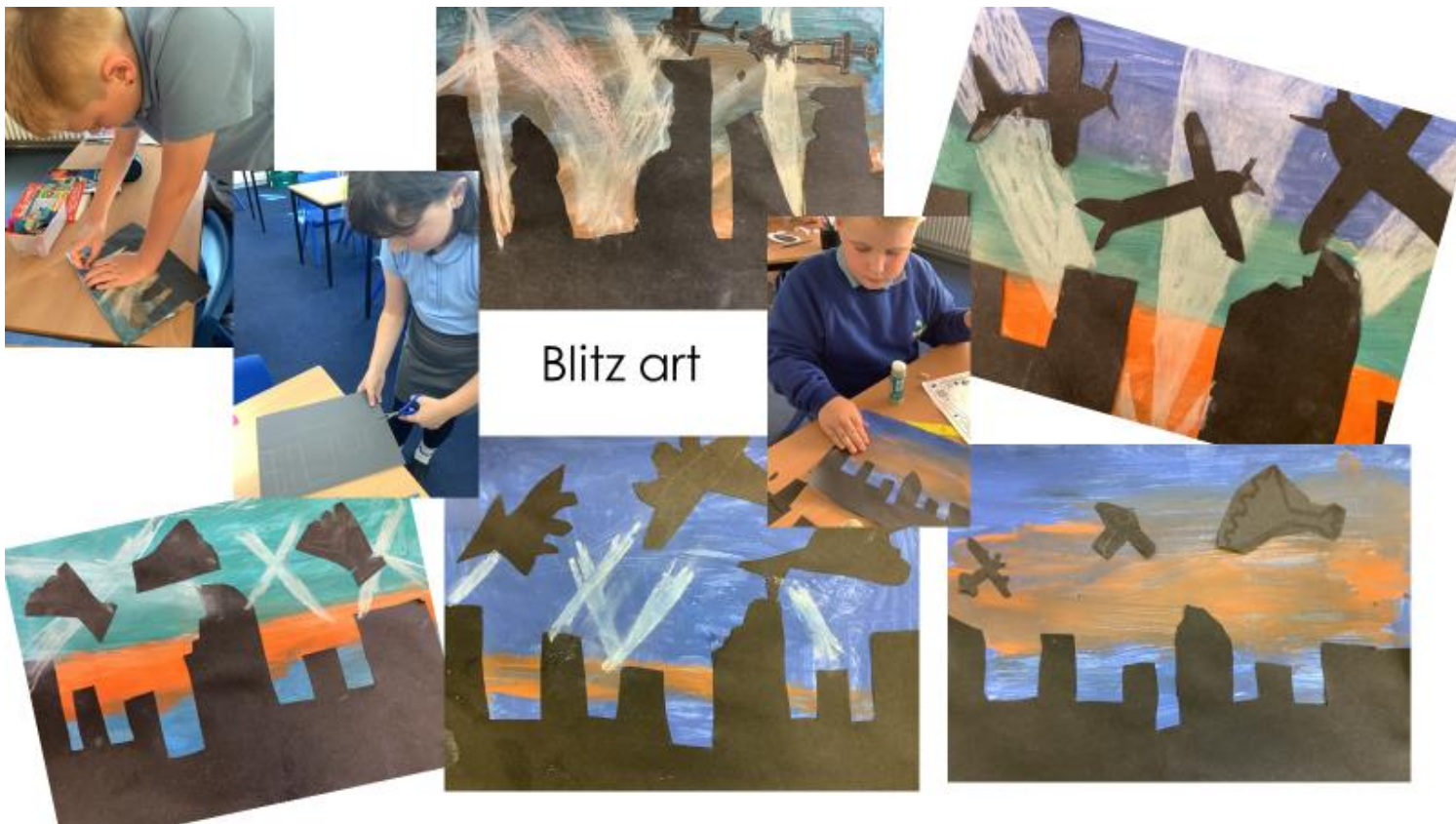


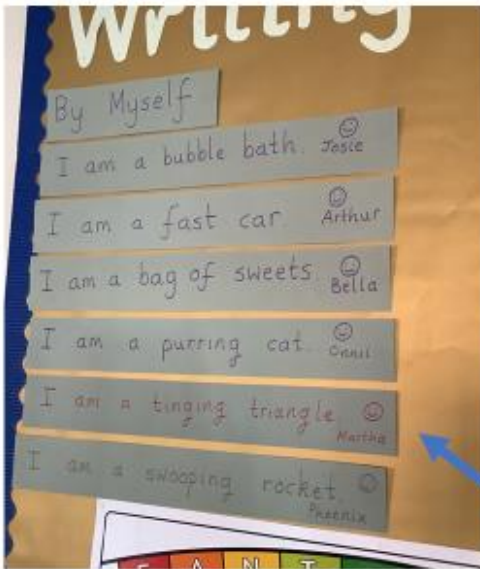
**Jaxson S** has recently joined a local art club and in his very first session he created this fantastic painting of a kingfisher. Well done, Jaxson, it is a beautiful piece of art!

### In-school news

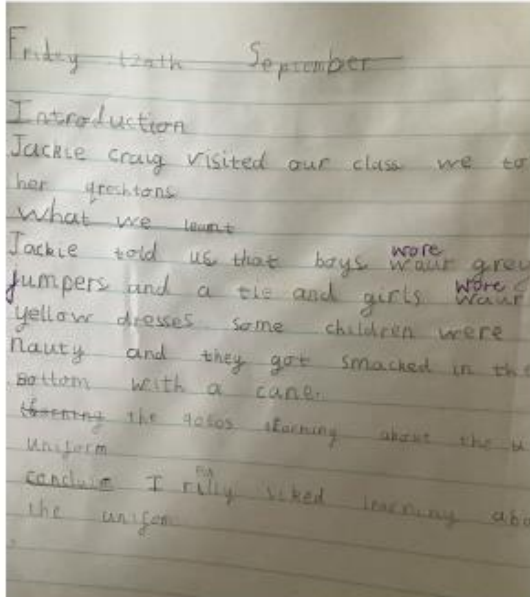
Year 6 residential trip photos and news will be in next week's newsletter (there are a few on the school Facebook page already).

Years 5 and 6 are learning about World War Two this term. While lots of Year 6 have been away of residential this week, the class back in school have been thinking about the Blitz. They have worked on an art project representing the RAF and Luftwaffe planes going over cities at dusk. They used different techniques such as painting, collage and pastels.



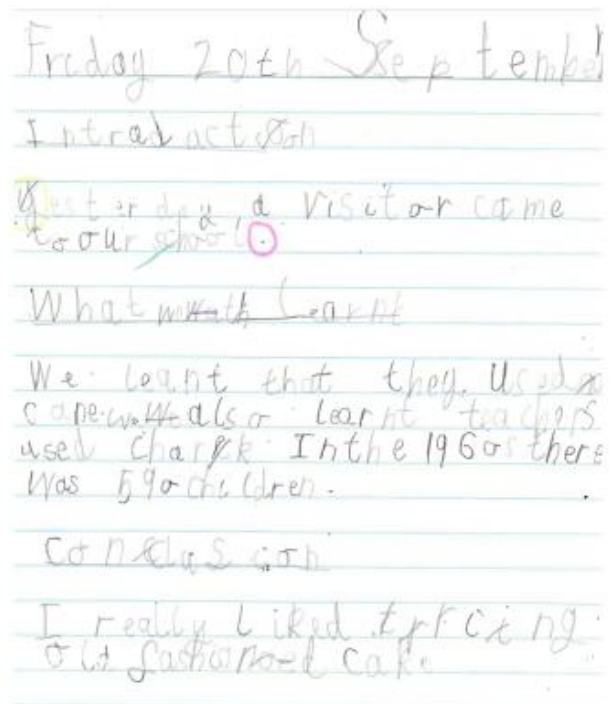


**Halls Class** have written poems called 'By Myself' - this is the one they did as a class but they write their own individual ones too. Science this term is all about the human body so the role play area is a doctor's surgery. The children also made a role play train with their own train driver and ticket collector - to help their new writing unit based on the story 'The Train Ride' by June Crebbin.



Writing by Zara and Finn

Jeffers Class are learning about how schools were different in the past. This week they had a talk from 1960s Frogwell pupil, Jackie Craig, and then they wrote about some of the ways the school has changed since then.



## Parent Pond events

Don't forget the Fun Run after school on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September – see the poster below. This event was a big success last year so we hope to see lots of people there again this time! **Please can children who are participating come to school in PE kit that day so they are ready to run straight away after school!** We have set a reserve date of **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October** as the weather forecast for 25<sup>th</sup> Sep is not looking great!

SCAN TO BOOK TICKETS

THE PARENT POND  
Families supporting Frogwell School

# FUN RUN!

## WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

3.20PM - FROGWELL SCHOOL FIELD  
ALL AGES AND ABILITIES ARE WELCOME!

EVERY RACER WILL RECEIVE A MAGNET,  
CERTIFICATE, SNACK AND DRINK!

£2 PER CHILD - BOOK YOUR TICKET VIA  
CLASSLIST. SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE.

£2

### 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative

Parentkind, the charity that supports school PTAs, have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our school. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

## Welcome to Frogwell School's PSFA!

### **Who are we?**

PSFA stands for *Parent, School and Friends Association*. We are a group of volunteers that support the school through fundraising. We are parents/carers of children at the school - just like you!

### **What do we do?**

We organise events for the children such as Movie Nights and Discos - as well as after school Bake Sales and Seasonal Fairs for the whole family to enjoy. Our efforts help provide resources, experiences, and opportunities for all pupils. In 2023 we raise £4180 which funded a whole-school cinema trip, Year 6 Leaver's hoodies, and much more!

## DON'T MISS OUT ON OUR EVENTS - DOWNLOAD THE CLASSLIST APP!



- 1 FOLLOW US ONLINE**  
Facebook @theparentpond  
Instagram @the\_parent\_pond
- 2 DOWNLOAD CLASSLIST**  
Scan the QR code to download the app and book event tickets.



## Diary dates for 2024-25

We will be running tours of the school for prospective parents looking for September 2024 mainstream Reception places on:

- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 10.45
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 09.15
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 13.45

Parent / Carers should contact the school office to book a place on their chosen tour – first come, first served! These tours give a realistic picture of a normal working day in the school – we do not set up a special or 'out of the ordinary' experience as we believe it is essential to see a standard, typical school day. If you know anyone who is looking for school places, please do let them know about these dates.

Parents looking for Resource Base-specific places should contact the office for an appointment and should remember that there is a different admissions procedure and criteria for RB places.

<b>Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	Parent Pond Fun Run straight after school
<b>Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	Flu nasal immunisations
<b>Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	Fun Run reserve date
<b>W/B 14<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	Life Education workshops (PSHE)
<b>Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	School photos
<b>Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Oct</b>	Open Classrooms for Term 1 (15.15-15:40)
<b>Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct</b>	Last day of Term 1
<b>24<sup>th</sup> Oct – 1<sup>st</sup> Nov</b>	Half term
<b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	TD day – school closed to children
<b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Start of Term 2 for children
<b>Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Whole school pantomime trip to Wyvern Theatre
<b>Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	School discos
<b>Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Last day of Term 2
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Dec – 3<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	Christmas holidays
<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Start of term 3, children back to school

### Remaining Teacher Training Day dates for 2024/25

The school will be closed to children on:

- Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> April
- Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> June
- Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> July