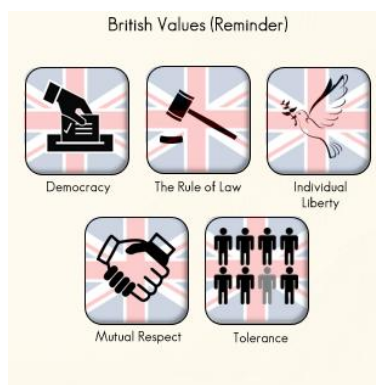


Frogwell Primary School Newsletter

25th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

British Values



As you know, a few weeks ago we talked about focusing on one of our British Values: Democracy. To find out more about our British Values, please visit our new [webpage](#).

We are learning about our British Values throughout our classes and exploring each one in turn. Recently, we focused on Democracy, with our youngest children voting for their favourite books. They chose *Rosie's Walk* when I went to visit last week! I wonder what they will choose when I visit next time!

Across the rest of the school, voting has been taking place to elect our new Pupil Parliament.

I am delighted to announce that the following children have received the most votes:

Year 6: Ivy and Reggie

Year 5: Alfie and Brooke

Year 4: Finn and Sky

Year 3: Arthur and Bella

Resource Base: Freddie and Sariah

Mental Health Strategy News

We have been thinking a lot about children's mental health as we further develop our whole school plans. As part of this work, we are developing a mental health strategy. I will be taking a lead on ensuring we address mental health issues across the school. This strategy will include asking questions about how we support and strengthen mental health for everyone – children, staff and parents and carers too.

We are now members of a really special group called the Wiltshire Mental Health Support Team.

I would like parents and carers to be aware that there are some fantastic sounding webinars which you may find interesting. They are free to you as we are a subscribing school.

Musician of the month - September

Each month, we are focusing on a new musician. This month, we are learning about Lord Kitchener.

Lord Kitchener (Aldwyn Roberts) was one of the most famous calypso singers of all time. He was born on 18 April 1922 in Arima, Trinidad and Tobago. He grew up in a large family and developed a love of music from a very young age.



As a child, Aldwyn Roberts experienced difficulties with his speech. However, this did not stop him from finding his voice through music. By the time he was a teenager, he was already performing at local events, and his talent quickly became known throughout Trinidad. He adopted the stage name "Lord Kitchener", after the British military leader.

In 1944, he won the Trinidad Calypso Monarch competition, which helped make him famous across the Caribbean. Through learning about Lord Kitchener, we have explored how we can be proud of our different heritages and how our individual talents and creativity can help us overcome challenges. Kitchener's journey from a small town in Trinidad to the world stage reminds us that, with passion, determination and hard work, we can achieve great things and make a lasting impact on the world.

Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL)



We are excited to be continuing with our Play Project throughout this academic year. OPAL encourages children to be creative, active, collaborative and resilient through a wide range of exciting outdoor play opportunities.

We aim to give children access to varied resources and environments, helping them develop important life skills such as problem-solving, teamwork, communication and independence, while supporting their physical and emotional wellbeing.

We believe that play is an essential part of every child's learning and development, and we are proud to offer enriching outdoor experiences during the school day.

Watch out next week for the launch of OPAL Bingo where we will be needing Parents' and Carers' help to improve and develop our resources.



Science Technology E Maths (STEM) club!

We are delighted to have sourced an excellent STEM lead who will be offering two exciting new clubs at Frogwell:

Both clubs will give children the opportunity to develop their creativity, problem-solving and collaboration skills through fun, hands-on engineering challenges.

LITTLE ENGINEERS – for children in Years 1 and 2

Each week, children will take part in fun, hands-on engineering challenges, working in teams to build, test and improve their creations. Across the term, they will be making towers, bridges, boats, planes and much more. Alongside developing their engineering skills, children will also develop their problem-solving, creativity and collaboration skills. Taking part in engineering activities can help children develop resilience by encouraging them to learn from mistakes, try different approaches and keep going when things don't work the first time.

STRONG FOUNDATIONS – for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Each week, children will explore a new engineering concept through fun, hands-on challenges. They will build and test machines, structures, bridges and much more, while developing their problem-solving, creativity and collaboration skills.

The sessions will encourage children to experiment, learn from mistakes and try different solutions, helping them to develop confidence and resilience alongside their engineering skills.

BOOKING INFORMATION

Each club has a maximum of **20 children per session**. A minimum of **12 bookings** will be required for each club to be able to run.

Little Engineers – Mondays

- 2nd November
- 9th November
- 16th November
- 23rd November
- 30th November
- 7th December
- 14th December

Strong Foundations – Thursdays

- 5th November
- 12th November
- 19th November
- 26th November
- 3rd December
- 10th December
- 17th December

Time: 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Cost: £7 per session (£49 in total)

Bookings are for all seven sessions. Individual sessions cannot be booked.

Bookings are now open! To secure your child's place, please scan the **QR code on the attached flyer**.

Our STEM lead is **Chris**, who will be happy to answer any questions and confirm places.

We hope the children will enjoy the opportunity to get creative, solve problems and discover just how much fun engineering can be!

The Parent Pond AGM – Formal Notice

All parents and carers, friends and family are warmly invited to attend The Parent Pond Annual General Meeting (AGM).

An AGM is our annual meeting where we review the year, share plans for the year ahead and formally conduct the Parent Pond's business, including any committee matters.

Formal notice is hereby given of the AGM of The Parent Pond.

Monday 19th October

3:20pm

School Hall

We'd love to see you there — everyone is welcome!

Diary Dates

Monday 28 th September	Mini Police Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm
Friday 2 nd October	Back to School Bingo 6:00pm
Tuesday 20 th October – Wednesday 21 st October	I Can, I Am Bus – Year 5 & Year 6
Thursday 22 nd October – Friday 30 th October	Half Term
Wednesday 6 th November	Year R & Year 6 Buddy Assembly (YR & Y6 Parents & Carers Welcome)
Monday 9 th November	Mini Police Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm
Wednesday 11 th November	Remembrance Service (Parents and Carers Welcome)
Monday 16 th November – Friday 20 th November	Anti-Bullying Week – Break the Silence
Monday 16 th November – Tuesday 17 th November	SEND Mainstream Parent and Carer Evenings
Monday 16 th November	Odd Socks Day
Tuesday 24 th November – Wednesday 25 th November	Parent and Carer Evenings (all classes)
Wednesday 16 th December	KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Thursday 17 th December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 17 th December	KS1 Nativity Performance 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Thursday 17 th December	Mini Police Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm
Friday 18 th December	Whole School Christmas Service at Ladyfield Church 10:00am
Monday 21 st December – Friday 1 st January	Half Term
Monday 18 th January	Mini Police Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm
Thursday 11 th February	Mini Police Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm
Monday 15 th February – Friday 19 th February	Half Term
Tuesday 23 rd February	KS2 SATS Parent Meeting 3:25pm – 4:00pm (Y6 classroom)
Monday 1 st March – Friday 5 th March	World Book Week
Thursday 4 th March	World Book Day (Children invited to dress up)
Monday 8 th March – Tuesday 9 th March	SEND Mainstream Parent and Carer Evenings
Thursday 11 th March	Mini Police Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm
Tuesday 16 th March – Wednesday 17 th March	Parent and Carer Evenings
Friday 26 th March – Friday 9 th April	Half Term
Thursday 22 nd April	The Beacon Parent Meeting (Y5) 3:25pm – 4:00pm (classroom)
Monday 3 rd May	Early May Bank Holiday – School Closed to Children
Monday 10 th May – Thursday 13 th May	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Tuesday 25 th May	Sports Day (PM)
Thursday 27 th May – Friday 28 th May	TD Day – School Closed to Children
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June	Half Term
Monday 7 th June – Friday 18 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
Tuesday 8 th June	Year R/1 Class Assembly 9:15am (Parents and Carers Welcome)
Wednesday 9 th June	RB1 & RB2 Longleat Trip
Monday 14 th June – Friday 18 th June	Phonics Screening Check
Tuesday 15 th June	Year 2 Class Assembly 9:15am (Parents and Carers Welcome)
Wednesday 16 th June	Reserve Sports Day
Thursday 17 th June	RB1 & RB2 Class Assembly 9:15am (Parents and Carers Welcome)
Tuesday 22 nd June	Year 3 Class Assembly 9:15am (Parents and Carers Welcome)
Tuesday 29 th June	Year 4 Class Assembly 9:15am (Parents and Carers Welcome)
Thursday 1 st July - Friday 2 nd July	Art Exhibition (open all day)
Tuesday 6 th July	Year 5 Class Assembly 9:15am (Parents and Carers Welcome)
Thursday 8 th July	Reserve Sports Day

Monday 12 th July	Year 6 Premier to the School
Tuesday 13 th July	Year 6 Premier to Parents and Carers 6:00pm – 7:00pm
Wednesday 21 st July	Year 6 Leavers’ Party 4:00pm – 5:30pm
Thursday 22 nd July	Year 6 Leavers’ Service 1:30pm – 2:30pm
Friday 23 rd July	TD Day – School Closed to Children