

## Frogwell Primary School Newsletter

21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Christmas Service

Our Christmas service this year will be held at Ladyfield Church. This service is a carol service, where children will sing some of their own Christmas songs and perform poems. There will also be an opportunity to sing some carols alongside the children. The service will be for children in Key Stage 2, which includes Years 3, 4, 5, and 6.

### Updated School Menu

We're delighted to share a first look at our refreshed school menu, launching in January. A full preview is attached to this email and will also be available on the school website for you to explore. This updated menu brings together a selection of winter warmers, family favourites, and a creative range of dishes featuring hidden vegetables to help boost both flavour and nutrition. Our aim is to offer meals that pupils love, while supporting healthy eating habits throughout the colder months. Here are just a few highlights you can expect:

- Cottage pie with rich meat filling, topped with creamy mashed potato, served with gravy and fresh broccoli
- A rich homemade chicken casserole with tender chicken and fresh seasonal vegetables
- Homemade chicken pot pie filled with tender chicken and seasonal vegetables

We hope you enjoy browsing the new dishes, and we look forward to serving meals that will keep our pupils fuelled, warm, and excited for lunchtime in the new year.

### Developing Culture Deliberately

We continue to see many "Good Mornings" and "Good Afternoons," which is great news. I would like parents and carers to think about the invisible gestures that may go unnoticed at home. An eye roll, a shrug of the shoulders, a refusal to make eye contact, or even arguing (without saying "excuse me" first or waiting for you to finish speaking) is clearly not ideal.

### Community Project

Our children have been talking about helping others and being a school that reaches out to those in need. We are fortunate to have many parents who also support others. One parent, who is a nurse at the RUH, has asked our school to donate to the hospital, as their usual charitable support no longer covers this type of help.

They need supplies for patients who arrive in an emergency and may not have toiletries or small items that could make them more comfortable. Our donations would especially help emergency and end-of-life patients.

We will be asking the children to bring in any small combs or brushes, single soaps, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shower gels, shampoos, conditioners, rolls of deodorant (male or female), or single-use flannels. We would be very grateful for any contributions. If you have any of these items, please send them to your child's teacher, and we will ensure they are delivered before the Christmas holiday starts.

We may continue this project in the new year to help the hospital increase their stocks.

## **Well done Year 5!**

Our Liaison Officer at Sheldon School very kindly took the time to write to us following this week's Year 5 visit. She was so pleased to see how well the children managed various challenging activities in such new surroundings that she wanted to share her feedback. She wrote about how the children really embraced the robot lesson and listened "exceptionally well" during the library session. She also mentioned how hard the teachers worked throughout the day and how effectively they supported the children.

As you can imagine, I was delighted to hear such positive news. Well done, Year 5 – you have been a credit to the school and to your families!

## **Ambassadors**

Last week, we introduced the Ambassadors' Award. This award is given to a class or classes who receive a complimentary email or word of praise from a member of the public. I was pleased to announce that, following the great news from our Primary Liaison Officer, Year 5 will be the first beneficiaries of this award! I wonder which class will be next?!

## **Chippenham Sports Partnership**

We welcomed our colleagues from the Chippenham Sports Partnership, along with the Year 10 Sports Leaders from Sheldon and Hardenhuish Schools, for a special PE session today. The event focused on New Age Kurling, an activity designed specifically for children in our Resource Base.

We were incredibly fortunate to have this event held on site, ensuring that all of our Resource Base children were able to take part. I am pleased to say that our RB children in Carle and Butterworth Class were exceptionally well behaved and approached every activity with great enthusiasm.

## **Headteacher Tours**

We have added 2 additional Headteacher Tours for new Reception Children who will be joining us in September 2026 for the 2026/27 intake. We will be putting on more Headteacher tours in the new year. Please do encourage any friends or family to visit our school. We would like to be full and would appreciate you all spreading the Good News about our school!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Miss Woods

## Diary Dates

Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Headteacher Meeting for Parents and Carers 2-3pm
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 1 Mini Mudder Event at Sheldon
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	PINS Coffee Morning 9am
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Headteacher Meeting for Parents and Carers 2-3pm
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Headteacher Tour 11am-12pm
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual Headteacher Meeting for Parents and Carers 6pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Headteacher Tour 11am-12pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity 2pm -2.45pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Parent Pond Christmas Jumper Jumble
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity 9.20am-10.00am
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Parent Pond EYFS & KS1 Christmas Disco 3:30pm-4:30pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Parent Pond KS2 Christmas Disco 5pm-6pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 & Year 4 Christmas Festival at Hardenhuish
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Parent Pond Christmas Shop
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Concert at Ladyfield Church 9:30am
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Half Term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	TD – School closed to children
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Spring Parents' and Carers' Evening
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Parents' and Carers' Evening
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Half Term
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 3 & Year 4 Residential to Grittleton House
w/c Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS Week
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	TD Day – School closed to children
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Scholastic Book Fair
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	School Reports
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' Party
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	TD Day – School closed to children
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July – Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> August	Summer Holidays