

## Frogwell Primary School Newsletter

23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Mrs Manuel

We are sorry to be saying Goodbye to Mrs Manuel at the end of this month. Mrs Manuel has worked in the school for over 5 years, in her time she has worked across both Key Stages 1 and 2, She has worked hard to support us all and will be much missed. Mrs Manuel is going on to develop her family business but has offered to be on hand should we ever need additional staff on days if staff are out or unwell. Mrs Manuel – thank you from us all for your hard work at Frogwell; we look forward to welcoming you back from time to time. In her absence, we will be welcoming Mrs Parish in the mornings and Mrs Wakeham in the afternoons to work in Year 4. We know that both TAs are very experienced and know the children very well. I know that they will work brilliantly with Miss Bates too.

### Governor Day

This week, the Governors met for a Strategic Day together. We all spent time thinking about where the school is in terms of our [School Development Plan](#), Governors monitor all areas of school life and I am pleased to say that our next steps are being addressed and we are on track with our plans for this year! We also talked about SEND. Mrs Davies, our SENCO talked about the steps we have made to improve practise and shared some of our processes. To read more about the Local Authority and our own schools SEN offer click on this link

<https://www.frogwell.co.uk/page/?title=Special+Educational+Needs+and+Disabilities&pid=46>.



### PINS – (EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2)

We would like to let you know about a project we have in school called PINS. PINS stands for Partnership of Inclusion for Neurodiversity in school. The PINS project here in school is led by Debi and offers an opportunity for parents and carers of children with Special Needs to come together to chat and discuss any issues related to SEN provision. We are fortunate to be welcoming in our MISA (Mainstream Inclusion Support Assistant) from Wiltshire Council. We would love to welcome everyone from EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2 to this special Infants' PINS meeting. The meeting will be held in our 'Children's Centre' on 29th January at 9-11am.

### KS2 SATS meeting

Thank you to everyone for attending our Key Stage 2 SATS meeting. It was good to see so many of you there. You should have been sent a copy of the slides. If you would like to have this resent, please do contact the office. Thank you too for the Y6 team who are doing a sterling job! I heard one adult describe the class as transformed this week! Well done Miss Pickett and Mrs Gosal! Keep going everyone; we know you will do so well in your upcoming assessments.

### Volunteers

We are looking for specialist volunteers to run clubs after school. If you have a skill (Music, Art, Sewing, Cooking for example) please do speak to Miss Woods.



## Digging – was this you?!

A parent spoke to me a few weeks ago about a digger! Offering the digger, should we ever need it. I'm afraid I don't remember which parent it was and have just had a thought about the pond! If you are that parent or know who it might be please let me know.

## Attendance

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our recent 'SAM' (School Attendance Meetings) meetings. These meetings were to address lowering attendance. We are expecting attendance to be above (ideally significantly above) 90%. If you are unsure of your child's attendance please feel free to ask.

I am assuming that many of our children who have been just below the 90% threshold for 'Persistent Absence' will pick up as the proportionality (number of days across the year vs actual days absence) levels out. However, if your child's attendance does not improve, our EWO (Education Welfare Officer) will become involved. Attendance is a serious matter and should be treated with respect to ensure your child's educational outcomes are not affected. The majority of the school are attending well and have good records, which I am very pleased with – thank you to everyone who is making such a big effort to arrange holidays and appointments as much as possible, out of term time. These tiny tweaks can make all the difference.

## Class Learning

Class pages have been updated to reflect the curriculum for Terms 3 and 4 (Spring). There is a lot of work being done in school to develop and improve areas of the curriculum which is encouraging. If you have any questions at all about your child's learning, please do ask. We aim to have special class assemblies in Term 5 where we will celebrate our learning and invite our parents and carers to come along too.

## Pupil Parliament

Well done to Pupil Parliament who met last week. They have such great ideas! We welcomed one new member to the team. Welcome Olivia and congratulations! We await a vote from Year 4 to complete our Parliament. The Parliament decided to do another survey, the results of which will be used in our staff plans to further develop our outdoor play plans. A special thanks to Aaron who offered to help me today as I was tidying out an equipment shed in the playground! I was most appreciative of the help and several other children joined in after they saw him offer which was so helpful! Well done and thank you Aaron (and friends) on being stand out children today.

Pupils Parliament members are: Year 6: Aaron, Cosmo and Ralph, Year 5: Rosie, Bertie and Gracie  
Year 4: Sarah, Year 3: Olivia and Chase, Year 2: Lyla and Bruno

To read the Parliament's most recent meeting minutes please click:  
<https://www.frogwell.co.uk/page/?title=Frogwell+Parliament&pid=67>

## Thank you parents and carers

It has been good to speak to so many of you on the playground this week. It's good to hear about the improvements you see. Thank you to those of you who have recommended the school to your friends and neighbours. It has been encouraging to hear about some positive comments about the school recently.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday, do have a peaceful weekend.

Miss Woods

## Diary Dates

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
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