River Mead School Parent Newsletter 09/06/2023



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A message from Mrs Austin

There has been a heat warning issued for the weekend, so please make sure you all stay safe, keep out of the sun at the hottest parts of the day, suncream and sun hats on - we do not want to see any sun burn blisters on Monday!

Remember that your young children cannot control their body heat/own temperature very well themselves either so they will over heat quickly so shade and cool is best with short periods enjoying the sun.

The Summer term at school is always busy so there will be a list of dates coming out next week so that you can see when parent/pupil events will be.

Attendance



Attendance the last data shows

School overall 91.2% compared to National 93.8%

You MUST inform the school of your child's absence if you as the parent are unwell you are expected to find support to ensure your children are at school and on time.

Check your Arbor App, what % is your child's attendance??? if it is below 90% you may well be asked to attend a meeting at school to discuss this

Any term time holidays will be denied and any overall unauthorised absences that mean your child has accumulated 10 sessions will also be considered for a fine, this is a legal process and the school does not receive this money

My School 91% ↓ -1.1%	Primary National 94.9%	Difference - 3.9%

Curriculum Booklets

What is my child learning in school?

Our children benefit from an exciting and engaging curriculum which has been developed to ensure that learning is irresistible for children. Follow the link below to find out more about your child's curriculum for the year and to see photos of their learning environment.

https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/

ELSA - Emotional Literacy Support Assistant

Follow the link to learn about our Emotional Literacy Support Assistant

https://sway.office.com/SRpS8QsBpHvh77gx?ref=Link

Year 1 Phonics Screen Check Week

Next week, June 12th-16th, is Y1 Phonics Screen Check Week, please ensure your child is in school every day so they have the best opportunity to show off how much they know!

We will continue to share videos on Seesaw for the children to watch and then practice their sounds. Please support your child to log on to their Seesaw account and watch the videos.

If you have any questions, please let myself, Miss Coates or Miss Goulding know.

Thank you,

Kate Miller

Year 1 Teacher

Assistant Head Teacher

Star of the Week



- **Otters** Jenson Nealey
- Dormice Alora Brownsell
- Frogs Amelia Thomas-Holland
- Herons Jentson Ward
- Kestrels Grace Wheeler
- Badgers ALL YEAR 6
- Buzzards ALL YEAR 6
- Bumble Bees Marc Taylor

Hot Chocolate with The Senior Leadership Team



Well Done to those children who have gone 'above and beyond' this week with their attitude and behaviour, this week the Leadership Team will be welcoming the children for their hot chocolate

These children are:

- Dormice Macaiden Penfold
- Herons Darcie Merritt
- Kestrels Oliwia Wisniewska
- Badgers Harvey Kitchener
- Buzzards Roxy Mitchell

Kingfisher Reading Challenge



A big well done to those children who have completed the following reads:

Frogs

- 25 reads Millie Willis
- 125 reads Hunter Jenkins
- 200 reads Jessica Swann

Herons

150 reads - Sophia Quintin

Kestrels

- 125 reads Rebecca
- 150 reads Murdoch
- 175 reads Lexie S
- 200 reads Jack, Rubie
- 225 reads Sherkarnah, Jasmine

Writer of the Week



Otters - Dottie-Rose Cook

Dormice - Alora Brownsell

Frogs - Hunter Jenkins Herons - Sophia Quintin Kestrels - Tiarni Stone

Mathematician of the Week



Otters - All of Otters!

- Dormice Ayaansh Doneria
- Frogs Corin Remington
- Herons Chill-Ray Edmunds
- Kestrels Daniel Mitchell
- Buzzards Molly Bailey

On-Line Safety Advice



Looking After Your Wellbeing Online

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Year 1 Teacher

Assistant Head Teacher

Family & Community Learning





Wiltshire	
Short Breaks Scheme	All sessions will run from
Engagement Sessions	10am to 2pm
	Friday 9th June Calne
What do you think about Wiltshire's Short Breaks Scheme?	Thursday 15th June
The WPCC has been having conversations with Wiltshire Council commissioners about the Short Breaks Scheme. We are organising some sessions in June to give parent carers an opportunity to come and talk about the Short Breaks Scheme.	Salisbury Friday 16th June
We know the Short Breaks Scheme works for some people, but also there are challenges for some families and we want to talk about this. For instance: -	Marlborough
What's good about the Scheme?	
Is the Payment Option working?	Parent carers will be able to
Could changes be made to the Scheme to enable more children and young people to access it?	claim travel and childcare expenses
Is there anything that could be done differently?	
Details of venues can be found on the booking form.	
BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL	Refreshments and luncl
You can book online	will be provided
https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WPCC-SB-Sessions-June23	
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Scan the QR code	Parent Carrer Council Are searched a Francisco a Young Paraget 8 225 yes
Phone: 01225 764647	
Email: recention@wiltencc.co.uk	Wiltshirs Council



Family & Community Learning Courses provided by Wiltshire Council

Please contact the school office should you wish to book into any of the following sessions. 7 days notice is required:

Venue	Date	Day	Time	Course	no' of sessions
Online	12-Jun-23	Monday	12:30-14:30	Phonics Games	1x2hr
Online	13-Jun-23	Tuesday	12:30-14:30	Discovering Confidence	1x2hr
F2F	13-Jun-23	Tuesday	13:00-15:00	Storybox at Woodlands School	1x2hr x 5 weeks
Online	15-Jun-23	Thursday	10:00-12:00	Saving Energy	1x2hr
F2F	15-Jun-23	Thursday	13:00-15:00	Storybox at River Mead School	1x2hr x 5 weeks
F2F	15-Jun-23	Thursday	14:00-16:00	Storybox - Studley Green School	1x2hr x 5 weeks
Online	19-Jun-23	Monday	12:30-14:30	Helping My Child to Learn Phonics	1x2hr x 5 weeks
F2F	20-Jun-23	Tuesday	09:30-11:30	Families Reading Every Day at Mere School	1x2hr x 5 weeks
Online	20-Jun-23	Tuesday	12:30-14:30	Develop Confidence and New Directions	1x2hr x 5 weeks
Online	22-Jun-23	Thursday	10:00-12:00	Balance Your Budget	1x2hr
Online	26-Jun-23	Wednesday	10:00-12:00	ESOL: Higher	1x2hr x 5 weeks
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School Term & Holiday Dates

School holidays are important to all of us! To help you plan for some family time we have put together the School Term & Holiday Calendar for 2022 - 2023. You can find this by clicking on the link below.

https://www.themeadtrust.org/news-and-dates/term-dates/

Teacher Training Days for the next academic year 2023/2024 are:

1st September 2023 4th September 2023 30th October 2023 4th January 2024 3rd June 2024

PE timetable - Please see changes below

PE Days

On PE days children should come in wearing their PE kit to avoid changing at school.

Badgers - Thursday Dormice & Frogs - Tuesday Herons & Kestrels - - Wednesday Otters - Thursday - please remember no Logos, plain white t-shirt if you don't have a coloured one. Buzzards - Thursday Bumble Bees (Beehive) - Monday Honey Bees / Busy Bees (Beehive)- Monday

Dates to Remember



June:

19th June - Y2 Hengistbury Head Trip

20th June - Y3 Roman Baths Trip

- 26th June YR Height and Weight screening
- 27th June Y6 Melksham Oak Transition Day
- 27th June New YR Sept 2023 Visits
- 29th June Y5 Melksham Oak Taster Day

Year 5 Melksham Oak Taster Day

All pupils in Year 5 have been invited to attend Melksham Oak Community School on Thursday 29th June for a taster day. Emails have been sent to all guardians for pupils in Year 5 with the relevant information and a copy of the letter from Melksham Oak. Please let the school office know should you not have received this, or you require any further information. Thank you.

What's on













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Melksham Oak Fundraiser

10 of the Year 12 students from Melksham Oak are currently in Thailand and Tanzania volunteering and working with children in communities to develop their understanding of English, Maths, Science & Physical Health. In July a further 9 students will be travelling to Nepal & Cambodia. The students are working hard to raise the remaining costs of the trip with chocolate bingo, please see the poster for further information.



TCS Open Evening June 23 - For parents of students in Years 4,5,6

The Corsham School Annual Open Evening

You are warmly invited to our Annual Open Evening at The Corsham School on **Thursday 15th June 2023 from 6pm-8.30pm**. This is an opportunity for families to tour the school, visit curriculum areas and meet key staff. Mr Bell, Headteacher, will also give a presentation in our Main School Hall. His talk will take place at 6pm and, again, at 7pm.

If you would like to register your interest to attend the Open Evening and also book onto one of the Headteacher's talks, please go to our website - <u>Open events - The Corsham School</u>



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St Augustine's Year 5 Taster Day & Admissions Information

Year 5 Taster Day

We still have some availability on our taster days. Should you wish to attend please email <u>admissions@sta.cc</u> with the following details:

Date you wish to attend (26/28/30 June) Current school Parental contact Email of parent Phone number of parent Photo consent Any further information we may need

Admissions

St Augustine's are really looking forward to welcoming their new cohort this summer for their induction days, to get them ready for September.

A few spaces have unexpectedly become available, and they would be delighted to consider further applications to join their Year 7 this September. If you are interested, please contact them directly as soon as possible on admissions@sta.cc and 01225 350001 ext. 242. Or you can apply direct to Wiltshire Council.

Hardenhuish School Open Evening and Open Week for Year 5 pupils



