





# SCHOOL NEWS - 26th January 2024

## Value of the month - Forgiveness



### Parents' Afternoon Bookings

Please book an appointment via our School Spider App to see your child's class teacher on Tuesday 19th March. These will go live at 6pm today. Mrs Waring will also be available for any other matter in addition to your child's learning and progress in class. We look forward to seeing you.

#### Lifeguard

Does anyone know a lifeguard that is looking for a part time job? If so, please pass on our details and ask them to get in touch. We are looking at ways of utilising our pool and offering this amazing facility to our families in addition to our swimming lessons during the summer term.

## PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association).

Our PTFA is a registered charity raising funds for additional events and resources for our children that a school's budget cannot manage. Funds raised contribute to enhancing a child's educational journey. We value all of your thoughts, support and contributions.

Thank you to everyone for attending, or contributing to, our PTFA meeting this week. We have come up with some fantastic events for our children. Please find dates below. Further details to follow.

Friday 8th March - Non uniform day, please bring a contribution towards Easter prizes for Bingo. The children will wear their house colours on this day.

Friday 22nd March - Easter Bingo (6.30pm, eyes down for 7.00pm)

Thursday 28th March - Easter Egg Hunt and family event

Friday 17th May - Summer Disco

Friday 21st June (reserved day 28th June) - Sports Day and Family Fun Day

Wednesday 26th June - Swimming Gala (time slot for each class)

We also discussed a mini enterprise idea of 'Growing a Pound' and even started to think about the Christmas Fayre for next year. We are looking into a more frequent collection of Bags2School and would like to coordinate these with a Car Boot Sale.

### Bags2School Collections

Following the success of the last collections, we have booked 2 more for this academic year, 21st March and 12th July. So when you are having that spring clean (!) or sorting through the winter/summer wardrobe and getting rid of all the outgrown children's clothes, please keep them for the collection and help earn money for the school. Bags and reminders will be sent nearer the time.

#### Tomorrow's Forest

Our very own Liz and Nick, from Tomorrow's Forest, will be working with all children on Wednesday 31st January to discuss native trees and their importance in the environment. This is the start of our very exciting work on developing our Forest School and forms preparation for an exciting tree planting project that is coming up very soon. All children will need their wellies and appropriate outdoor clothing (to get changed into) on this day.

### Pentathlon Opportunities

Leweston Pentathlon Academy, based at Leweston school near Sherborne, are hosting a number of training opportunities for children who may be interested in this and other multi discipline sports. As well as weekends for those who would like to try some of these sports they also have regular after school clubs open to all athletes. Please visit <a href="https://www.leweston.co.uk/senior/outside-the-classroom/pentathlon/pentathlon-club/">https://www.leweston.co.uk/senior/outside-the-classroom/pentathlon/pentathlon-club/</a> for more information.

#### House Points

All children are already in a house, these are currently colours. We are currently developing our house point system and Miss Allen will be launching a competition to name the houses. We will also be linking this to our behaviour policy and move from credits and rainbow points to house points next September. Further details to follow. Currently, we ask that during some non-uniform days your child wears an item of clothing in their house colour. We're excited to develop a house point system and share our ideas. Watch this space!

#### Samba Workshop

We are super excited that as part of 'Children's Mental Health Week,' coming up the week beginning 5th February, we have arranged for the children to take part in a Samba Workshop. The children will explore Samba and use music as a way of channelling their feelings and emotions. Music has been proven to help people regulate and is used for self care and well-being. Our visitor, Felix Gibbons, has travelled extensively in South America, is highly experienced and will provide the children with a fantastic opportunity. We can't wait! The workshops will take place on Wednesday 7th February. There is already an e-safety assembly at 2:30pm that day and a celebration of what the children have learnt in Samba will now also be showcased. Therefore, we will now start our assembly a little earlier (2.15pm). We hope to see you there.

We are super grateful, as a grant was secured to cover the majority of the cost. So to help fund the remaining fee, we are asking for a contribution of only £1.50 per child. If you have any concerns regarding this payment, please see Mrs Stanley or Mrs Waring in confidence. Please make your payment via school spider. Thank you so much for your support.

#### Attendance - 'In this together!'



This week we have no lates, which has really supported the children's morning routine and been able to get them off to a fantastic start each day. Thank you and well done everyone.

<u>Class:</u>	Week beginning: 22nd January
Owls	92.2%
Kestrels	97.5%
Hawks	97.0%
Eagles	88.9%

#### **Achievements**

#### Learners of the week:

Barn Owls: Felix for incredible, imaginative drawing and writing. Owls: Ralph for creating a brilliant printing of ways to make 5. Kestrels: Marlow for taking more responsibility for his learning.

Hawks: Richard for some amazing handwriting.

Eagles: Aaron for independently researching our geography topic in his own time and sharing this knowledge

with the class.

## Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 31st January - Tomorrow's Forest visit and work with each class.

Tuesday 6th February - Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 7th February - E-safety assembly for parents 2.30pm. Now 2.15pm to showcase our Samba work also!

Thursday 8 February - KS1 SATs Workshop for parents 2.30pm

Friday 9 February - KS2 SATs Workshop for parents 2.30pm

Friday 9th February - Break up for half term

#### Forest School for Year 3

Monday 19th February - Return to school

Wednesday 28th February - Eagles trip to Nothe Fort

Monday 4th - Friday 8th March - Bikeability

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

Friday 8th March - Non uniform day for Easter Bingo, children wear house colours.

Tuesday 19th March - Parents evening 2.00-6.00pm

Thursday 21st March - Class Photos

Thursday 21st March - Bags2School Collection

Friday 22nd March - Easter Bingo 6.30 for Eyes Down 7.00pm

Thursday 28th March - Easter Egg hunt and Family Event

Thursday 28th March - Break up for Easter holidays (Maundy Thursday)

### Forest School for Year 4

Monday 15 April - First day of the summer term

KS1 SATs throughout May

Monday 13th to Thursday 16th - KS2 SATs

Friday May 17th - Summer disco

Friday 24th May - Break up for half term

#### Forest School year 5

Monday 3rd June - Back to school

W/com 3rd June - Multiplication table checks to take place

# Tuesday 4 June - Friday 9 June - Y6 Residential Trip TBC

Week commencing 10 June - Year 1 Phonics test

Friday 21 June - Sports Day and Family Event

Tuesday 25 June - New Reception Parents' meeting, 5pm

Wednesday 26 June - Swimming Gala (time slot for each class TBC)

Friday 28 June - Reserve Sports Day and Family event

Tuesday 2 July - Aquathon at William Barnes Yrs 5&6

Monday 8 July - KS2 Dress Rehearsal for school and grandparents 9am

Tuesday 9 July - KS2 Performance 9am and 4pm

Friday 12 July - Bags2School Collection

Friday 12 July - Nursery graduation, 2.00pm

Monday 15 July - Year 6 leavers assembly - 9-10am

Tuesday 16- Thursday 18 July - Pre-loved clothing sale,

Tuesday 16 July - Kestrels meet and greet parents 9.15am

Wednesday 17 July - Hawks meet and greet parents 9.15am

Thursday 18 July - Eagles meet and greet parents 9.15am

Friday 19 July - Break up for summer holidays

Swimming Owls to Eagles

Forest School for Year 6

Sending love and well wishes to Archie and his family who have had a tough couple of weeks. We are thinking of you all and wish you a speedy recovery and positive times ahead.

'Gracious and loving God, watch over the youngest among us who face unrelenting and overwhelming illness and injury. Send your grace upon them so they will know your loving and healing presence. Give to these sick children strength, hope, and joy as they face difficult treatment and recovery.'



Have a lovely weekend with your loved ones.

Mrs Waring and all staff at Hazelbury Bryan Primary School.