

## **Charlton Mackrell Primary School**

*'The one who gets wisdom loves life.' Proverbs 19:8*

### **Newsletter 11.11.2022**

#### **Our Christian Value this term is TRUST**

##### **Congratulations to our award winners**

Our stars of the week were: Jonjo, Isabella, Archie and Betty.

Our readers of the week were: Ivy-Rose, Emily, Flossie and Olivia.

Our presentation certificates went to: Sasha, Arthur R, Lizzie and Ottie.

##### **Reading Raffle**

Don't forget to support your children by hearing them read and making sure to sign the reading record book.

##### **School Council organising Children in Need**

The school council would like the children to wear spotty or yellow clothes next Friday for Children in Need. Donations can be made online or with cash. The link to the online donation page for our school collection is <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=9727>

The children are also invited to take part in a cake competition. They should bring in their creations on Friday for the grand judging.

##### **Knowledge organisers**

For you to support your child with their learning all the teachers have compiled knowledge organisers, so you can see exactly what your child is learning. To save our photocopying bill, they can be found on google classroom. Please log in and take a look. They would be great printed and popped onto the fridge, so your child can learn facts at home and at school. Great for teatime discussions!

##### **Poppy donations**

Thank you to all those who supported the The Royal British Legion by purchasing poppy related merchandise. Today we observed a whole school 2 minute silence and read poems in remembrance of those who have died or been injured service their country.

##### **Reading Meeting**

Thank you to the parents who turned out on a very windy, autumnal evening for the presentation about learning to read. For those who missed it, then please look on Google Classroom (Rainbow Class) for the presentation slides and videos.

##### **Preschool**

Over the last couple of weeks, we have welcomed Pippa and Wilf into Preschool, it has been really nice getting to know them both.

Hazel and Marcus have received a tremendous tree award this week.

Earlier in the week, we explored colour and made some large firework pictures. The children used lots of fine and gross motor skills to create these pictures. It was wonderful to see the Late Birds children admiring their work and asking many questions about how they were created.

The children have learnt a firework rhyme 'Five Little Fireworks'. The children have learnt to recognise numerals 1-5, through humour. Some of the children have been excited to share their new skills with their parents.

We have been remembering the military people who help keep us safe, the children had a circle time where they created a giant poppy, we talked about how the military people helped keep us safe here and in other countries. Some of the children talked about their parents who currently serve.

"Daddy flies helicopters, he goes to work"

We talked about some of the military who are not with us anymore but who have helped us. The children created their own poppy field pictures, they chose rollers or combs to create the grass then printed bottle ends to make the poppies.

We took part in the silence at 11am, to think about all the people who have helped us.

### **The Friends**

#### **Village Café**

A huge thank you to Hannah and her family for yet another fantastic Village Café yesterday morning. An amazing turn out from the village and lots of yummy cakes consumed. Thank you to all who attended. Also, thank you Hannah for the great cake sale after school.

#### **Christmas Cards**

A card with your child's design will be coming home in your child's book bag today.

This year, the ordering is done online directly with the fundraising company.

Instructions can be found on the right-hand side of the card. Orders must be received with the company by **19<sup>th</sup> November** to avoid disappointment.

Log in to [approve.myfundraisinghub.com](https://approve.myfundraisinghub.com)

Put in the ORG code (school code), the design code and then follow the instructions to order and pay.

#### **Request for donations of beer!**

We are looking for donations of single bottles of cans of beer, lager, ale or cider (approx. 330ml) to fill a wheelbarrow! If you can spare the odd one or two, please leave at the school office before 30th November.

#### **Christmas Raffle Prizes**

If you are able to source any impressive prizes or have any ideas of who to approach for prizes, please let a committee member know.

Many thanks.

## **Child Exploitation by County Lines With Escapeline**

**Date:** Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Time:** Starting at 4:30pm with an estimated end time of 6pm

**Venue:** Room H1, Huish Sixth Form building, Huish Episcopi Academy, Langport,  
TA10 9SS

We are pleased to be able to offer this session again and hope that the earlier start time is more convenient. Parents, carers, governors and school staff will all find it useful. Please book your place online.

**Child Exploitation by County Lines** - In the South West of the UK, including all areas of Somerset, there is a significant rise in county lines drug crime, whereby a large amount of young people as young as 10 years old, are being criminally and sexually exploited by gangs. County lines are illegal business models, in which drug gangs expand their operations from their big city bases, such as London, Birmingham and Liverpool, to smaller cities, towns, coastal and rural areas across Britain. These gangs use their power and position to groom, recruit and exploit children and young people for the purpose of criminal gain.

These gangs proactively recruit young people to drug run in and around the South West, as well as outside the area. The gangs and criminal networks use extreme violence and intimidation towards these young people, which result in these young people feeling trapped and scared. Some of these gangs are forcing vulnerable children from their homes to be trafficked to other parts of the country. As well as criminal exploitation, young people, both girls and boys, are also being sexually exploited by these gangs.

This session will raise awareness of the signs of Child Exploitation by County Lines and guide you in teaching children and young people about healthy relationships.

To book a place to attend this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/fdeJqhpzjmKJT5CF6>

### **CAP service**

We provide 3 services in Yeovil and the surrounding area:

1. The Debt Centre has been operating for 11.5 years and covers the TA11 area; we currently have clients in Somerton. All people need to do, if in unmanageable debt, is to call the national helpline **0800 328 0006**. They are then allocated one of 3 debt coaches we have in our Centre, and their journey out of debt begins.
2. There is a Life Skills group, which has just started their 2nd 8-week course. This is where people sign up and come along to 8 x 2hr sessions, joining a friendly community and gaining skills to lift the pressure of low income life. To find out more about this group, Jennifer Matthew on 07933 198130 is the person to contact.
3. The CAP Money course is where people join others on a 3 x 2hr course and learn how to budget. To find out more about this, people need to go to [capuk.org](http://capuk.org) and click on 'get help near you' and it's easy from there.

All of the above are on the CAP website [capuk.org](http://capuk.org) so we try to make it as easy as possible to access any of our three services.

### **Dates for next year!**

Year 5 and Year 6 residential has been booked for the week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Deposits are now available to pay on ParentMail for those who have signed up for the residential, these are payable by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Remaining balances will soon be made available to pay on ParentMail so that part payments can be made, or the whole balance, up until the final payment due date of 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023.

### **Dates**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November – County Lines talk

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need – Theme is ‘Spotacular’

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – Open the Book in church and all welcome 9am

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity 2pm

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity 5.30pm

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Key Stage 2 CLP concert at Huish Academy 5.30pm

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Wear something Christmas related – it could be a jumper or just some tinsel

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Hurricane visit to Stonehenge

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Carol Concert in the church at 3pm

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Party day, own clothes, a special visitor and Christmas lunch. Break up at 1pm for the Christmas holidays.



















