

Charlton Mackrell Primary School

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

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Our Christian Value this term is PERSERVERANCE

The highlight of our week was the incredible Young Voices concert at the O2. We were so proud of our pupils and for those who were lucky enough to be in the audience it was a spectacular event of dance, song and amazing lighting. Thank you to the parents who joined us and the staff who gave so much of their own time and effort to ensure it was a success.

Congratulations for our award winners

Due to the Young Voices trip there was no celebration praise this week. Award winners will be back next week.

Reminder

No smart watches or mobile devices, no nuts, chocolate or sweets and water not squash.

Second-hand uniform sale - TODAY

There will be a 2nd hand uniform sale today at 3.15pm.

Should anyone need to contact Chris Taylor about uniform at any time, she is happy for you to contact her on 07769 685817.

Sport for schools

Sponsorship forms went home yesterday for the visit from top athlete Katrina Hart. This visit will involve the children participating in a fitness circuit with Katrina. 60% of sponsorship money is returned to the school to purchase sports equipment and the remaining 40% helps fund sports for schools athlete programme.

Strike action

You will have probably seen on the news that the main teacher's union, the NEU, has decided to take strike action on the following dates:

Wednesday 1st February 2023

Thursday 2nd March 2023

Wednesday 15th March 2023

Thursday 16th March 2023

At this stage we don't know the full extent of disruption this will cause on our school. Further information to follow. Preschool will be open as normal on those days.

Preschool

This week at preschool we have been celebrating the Somerset tradition of Wassailing.

The Children enjoyed trying apple juice and then went outside to our apple tree to Wassail. Each child was able to put some toast and apple juice on the tree and then make lots of loud noises and singing to encourage a good harvest of apples later in the year.

Back in preschool the children printed apples and then counted how many apples they had printed. When our volunteer, Denise visited we baked apple scones!

From The Friends

Second-hand Uniform Sale

A reminder that the second-hand uniform sale will take place today, Friday 20th January, after school at 3:15.

Next Friends meeting

Date: Thursday 26th January.

Place: The Fox and Hound pub in Charlton Adam.

Time: 7pm.

For us to continue to do great fundraising projects to enhance the children's time at Charlton Mackrell School we need your help. If you would like to help support us please join us at our next meeting or talk to any member of the committee.

Hope to see you there.

The Friends Committee

Information Session for Parents, Carers and School Staff

Online Safety & Social Media with Amy Brittan, SCC Education Technology Advisor

Date: Monday, 27th February 2023

Time: Starting at 6:30pm with an estimated end time of 8pm

Venue: Online session

We are pleased to be able to offer this session again this year. Parents, carers, governors and school staff will all find it useful. Please book your place online.

New technologies inspire children to be creative, communicate and learn. But with the digital world changing all the time, how can you make sure your child's staying safe?

This session will provide parents/guardians/carers with information to support their children to enjoy technology safely and responsibly. You will have the opportunity to think about what you want to do to protect your family and to equip them for their future.

To book a place to attend this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/m67HLzdtMsqqMa1r5>

Information Session for Parents, Carers and School Staff

Behaviour Management Techniques with Family Solutions Somerset

Date: Monday, 23rd January 2023

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.

A whistle stop tour of some parenting techniques and strategies to use with your children aged 2-18.

We will be looking at the following principles that underpin all areas of parenting (and relationships) whatever the age.

- Emotion Coaching, being able to label our emotions- CBT/Behaviour Curve
- Showing empathy not sympathy
- Attention – children will seek any kind of attention – good or bad
- Ignoring behaviours we want to see less of
- Specific praise... labelled
- Social Learning Theory – new behaviours can be learnt by observing and imitating others (bandura)
- Use of rewards – after the event (bribes come before), smart and cheap

The session will be fully collaborative, and we will be open to conversations and listening to your own techniques which have been successful.

To book a place to attend this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/qAsCbFBR3qpqWRq29>

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 and click on 'get help near you' and it's easy from there.

All of the above are on the CAP website capuk.org so we try to make it as easy as possible to access any of our three services.

Hooke Court Residential

Year 5 and Year 6 residential has been booked for the week commencing 10th July 2023. Remaining balances are available to pay on ParentMail so that part payments can be made, or the whole balance, up until the final payment due date of 31st May 2023.

Dates

Tuesday 24th January - Open the Book in church at 9am. Everyone welcome to join us

Tuesday 7th February – Open the Book in church at 9am. Everyone welcome to join us
Also Safer Internet Day

Friday 10th February – Break up at 3.15pm for half term

Monday 20th February – Back to school

Friday 24th February – Top athlete to visit school – details to follow

Tuesday 28th February – Open the Book in church at 9am. Everyone welcome to join us

Monday 13th March – Science Week

Tuesday 14th March – Open the Book in church at 9am. Everyone welcome to join us

Friday 17th March – Red Nose Day

Thursday 23rd March – Music Concert in the church at 6pm

Friday 31st March – Break up for the Easter Holidays



