

## **Charlton Mackrell Primary School**

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

### **Newsletter 09.06.2023**

#### **Our value this term is Truth and Truthfulness.**

On Tuesday Wildfire Class visited Bristol. In the morning they walked around the cathedral as part of their learning in RE and then in the afternoon they took part in a workshop at The Lifeskills Centre. They learned about what to do in various emergencies from calling the fire brigade, to basic first aid and checking you have the correct change when out shopping. There was even a real life road with cars for teaching about road safety, all on the top floor of the warehouse!

On Friday, a team from Year 5 and 6 took part in the Children's Parliament at Dillington House in Ilminster. The team were extremely skilled at presenting their argument – Plastic Pollution – What's the solution? A very proud moment as the children spoke so passionately and confidently. Congratulations to Alexis, Arthur, Betty, Edie and Hector.

It was exciting to meet our new families who will be joining us in September at the induction meeting. Thank you for coming along and to Mrs Carter-Rice for organising the evening.

On Thursday, three headteachers from the area visited to monitor standards. They were very complimentary about the children's learning and behaviour and our future plans. It is always reassuring when other headteacher's visit and want to take ideas away to use in their schools.

#### **Please turn off your car engine**

When dropping off and collecting please ensure you turn off your car engine. Every little bit to save pollution and set a good example to our children. From a safeguarding perspective, a child was left alone in a car with the car engine running this week. If that child had accidentally pressed on any of the controls there could have been an accident.

#### **Friday ZUMBA and run**

With the better weather, we are offering the children the chance to run instead of doing Zumba, so for the remainder of the academic year it may be useful to have spare shoes/ trainers on a Friday in case of wet feet from running on the field.

#### **Dressing up box**

The older children in the school have asked for a dressing up box for use at playtimes. If you have suitable items like scarves, material, blazers, dresses, plastic toy microphone or even a box to store it all in we would love you to donate them. The older children enjoy pretending they are in a band or acting out small playscripts. Props would add to their playtime fun. Thank you.

#### **PFSA drop in session**

Victoria Gould, our PFSA, will be here on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 9am. Parents and carers are welcome to pop in for a confidential chat with Victoria. She is a wealth of knowledge when it comes to parenting concerns, access to benefits, advice on debt or pointing you in the right direction for help and advice or charities who support parenting and families.

#### **Preschool**

The children have settled back into Preschool really well after the half term break.

This week the school starter children visited Rainbow class for their transition session, they really enjoyed their time there.

Our focus for read, Write, Inc has been reviewing our previously learnt sounds.

This week the children went on a search for spittlebugs/frog hoppers. The children have learnt that they eat the sap from the leaves and then blow bubbles from their bottoms to hide and protect themselves. The children shared their knowledge with their friends and they even knew that when spittlebugs get scared, they can jump quite high.

At Forest School the children discussed how to stay safe when moving around with sticks. The children were extremely excited to find that three new dens' have been built in Squirrel Camp.

### **Armed Forces Day**

Armed Forces Day is on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June. On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June we invite children to bring in any artefacts they would like to share linked to the armed forces.

**Residential** – meeting for parents to find out more on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June after school in Wildfire Class.

### **From the Friends Committee**

**Ice Pop Sale** - Thursday 15th June

3:15 in the school playground.

**Father's Day** - Each child will be coming home with a gift for their father or whomever they would like to give a gift to. If you would like to make a donation towards this gift, please give it to Jennie Eastick or Wendy Urrutia on Thursday 15th after school or in a named envelope with Father's Day and hand it to the class teacher.

**Break the Rules Day** - to be held on Friday June 16th.

A list of rules that can be broken along with the 'fine' will be in your child's bookbag early next week. Please keep a look out in your child's bookbag for this list and have your child bring it with them on Friday along with the 'fine'.

**CM Greenbank Pool Party**, Tuesday 4th July

Our pool party is nearly here 🎉.

We have the exclusive use of Greenbank swimming pool from 7pm - 9pm along with the use of the splash pool. There will also be a tuck shop.

Tickets are £5 for adults, £4 for children, a family of 4 ticket will be £16. They will be available from your class rep or by BACS, from next week.

Class Reps are: Preschool - Kim Hadley

Rainbow - Charlotte Nicholls

Sunshine and Hurricane - Wendy Urrutia

Wildfire - Sam Amos-Cuff

Please note that, if you do pay for tickets via BACS your paper entry tickets will be issued between the 26th and 30th of June in your child's bookbag.

**A reminder that all under 8's need to be accompanied by an adult.**

If you have any questions regarding any of the upcoming events, please don't hesitate to talk to your class rep, any member of the committee or email us at [thefriendsofcmschool@gmail.com](mailto:thefriendsofcmschool@gmail.com)

CAP service – helping you with debt - [capuk.org](http://capuk.org)

#### **Dates**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Wildfire parents and carers meeting about the residential – 3.30pm in Wildfire Class**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June – SPORTS DAY (pm)**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Open the Book in church – parents welcome, 9am**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Key Stage 1 multi-skills event at Long Sutton (9.30am – 10.30am)**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Year 3/ 4/ 5 and 6 athletics at Long Sutton (selected team) – (2pm to 4pm)**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Armed Forces Day in school**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Forest School workshop for selected children**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Reserve Sports Day just in case the first one is rained off!**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Public speaking competition at Huish Academy – selected team**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Year 3/ 4 Mini red tennis – selected team**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Open the Book in church – parents welcome, 9am**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Huish Academy Year 6 transition day**

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 pupils to Well Cathedral for a leavers' service**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Hurricane Class trip to St Nicholas Priory in Exeter as part of their Tudor studies**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Residential for Wildfire**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Rainbow and Sunshine beach trip to Charmouth**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5/ 6 rounders tournament (4pm) – selected team**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Wildfire play/ performance**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Preschool Leavers' Celebration**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Break up for the summer holidays – End of school 1pm. Ice cream van!**





