

Charlton Mackrell Primary School

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

Newsletter 21.07.2023

Our value this term is Truth and Truthfulness.

The final newsletter of the year and a time to celebrate another fabulous year. Our Ofsted inspection gave us well-deserved recognition with a solid GOOD and unofficially we were told by the Ofsted inspector that we were on the cusp of outstanding with our excellent personal development. The children have enjoyed trips to a Planetarium at the community centre, Stonehenge, Charmouth, Hooke Court residential, the O2 for the Young Voices Concert, Bristol Life Skills Centre, weekly swimming lessons and many visitors to enrich our curriculum with workshops and interesting learning. All our national test results were well above average with particular success from our Year 6 pupils, with 100% passing the maths SATS test (national average is 73%) and if one child had managed 1 more mark it would have been 100% for reading as well.

Thank you to all our wonderful families, your support is what makes us such a good team. Thank you also for your very generous gifts and kind words they really do mean a lot to each and every member of staff.

Thank you also to the wider community who support us, from the Open the Book team to our governors, to The Brymer Trust committee, Dawn and Paul Richards and of course The Friends.

Pirates and Mermaids

Wildfire Class have excelled in the last week, both at the residential, where everyone tried everything and in their brilliant performance of Pirates and Mermaids. Special thanks to Miss Murray, Mrs Rushworth, Mrs Burrell, Miss Hookins and Mrs McDonnell for their talents in pulling off these events for the children. They have all given many extra hours for the benefit of the children.

The Team

Thank you to the school team for always going above and beyond. The teachers, Mrs Carter-Rice, Mrs Marklew, Mrs McDonnell, Miss Rose and Miss Murray cheerfully work very long hours planning and delivering a very high quality education with many extra-curricular opportunities. The teaching assistants, Mrs Burrell, Miss Hookins, Mrs Rushworth, Mrs Da Silva, Mrs Benn and Mrs Thrippleton provide brilliant classroom support, often undertaking preparation in their own time. Our cleaning team, Anouska, Tracy and Tash keep everything clean, tidy and orderly, even after things have been left in a mess! The office team, Mrs Carver, Mrs Shore and Mrs Tatt provide the main cog of the school and nothing would be accomplished without their efficiency and good humoured ability to sort most things out. Mrs Trood provides valuable curriculum planning support, which is first class. Finally, our preschool team, Jody, Kim, Alice, Janine and Emma give the very best start to our youngest children. Thank you to each of them.

Congratulations to all those who received awards

It was hard to choose as all our children show outstanding effort, kindness and progress!

Truly Trusted – Olly P and Jack

Stars of the Week – Henry, Nelly and Ethan M

Presentation Weekly Certificates – Jasper and Liam

Readers of the Week – James B and Beau

End of term Citizenship Awards went to Immy, Orlando, Leo and Arthur K

End of term Endeavour Award went to Taylor

End of term Kingsdon Kindness Award went to Livvy

Beth, Arthur R and Olly P were awarded books for managing to dodge all the sickness bugs and having 100% attendance.

Bee Kind Awards

For many years Dawn and Paul Richards, have provided certificates and bee badges throughout the year to recognise all the acts of kindness that happen each and every day. They have also very generously given four winning prizes at the end of the year. Our Bee Kind winners this year were Henry, Ava, Alex E-A and Fred. They each get a years' family membership to the National Trust. An incredible prize – thank you so much Dawn and Paul.

Our Leavers

Our amazing Year 6 pupils – Alexis, Betty, Edie, Emily, Euan, Jack, Oliver, Olivia, Olly. Each year group brings special qualities to our school. This group of outstanding pupils have brought an abundance of kindness, humour, hard work and creativity to our school. Thank you.

We say farewell and good luck to Ali, Pearl, Phoebe and Lily who are off to new schools.

Miss Rose has secured a new teaching position in Cambridge and gets married in a weeks' time. She has been an inspirational teacher with abundant energy and enthusiasm. She has shared her love of music and singing with us and enriched all our lives. Never one to shy away from a practical lesson she has embraced whole class bread making and sewing and earned the admiration of the team, while sorting out the flour carpet and lost needles. Her kindness and wonderful personality will be missed very much, but we wish her every happiness.

Mrs McDonnell has moved house and now lives near Longleat, so has secured a new position in a special school nearer to home. She has been our maths queen, a wonderful Sunshine teacher and been so adaptable to help in every class. We are keen to see her short film that she has written and directed when it comes out later this summer. Her creative flair will be missed very much, but we wish her lots of luck in her new job.

Mrs Shore has quietly held the office systems together. Nothing has ever been too much trouble, she has taken it all in her stride with a happy, can do attitude. She has confidently dealt with every kind of phone call into the office and pitched in with lunch duties and even blocked toilets to keep everything running smoothly. Her ability to remember everyone's birthday or special occasion means all the staff have had their special moment. She has been a real gem. We wish her every happiness in her new home. May be she will have some time for gardening now. Big shoes for Mrs Tatt to step into!

These leavers have given us beautiful memories. We are very blessed to have had them as part of our school.

Class names for next year

To confirm the class names for September will be:

- Rainbow – Reception & Year 1
- Hurricane – Year 2 & Year 3
- Wildfire – Year 4 & Year 5
- Tornado – Year 6

Clarinet

Mrs Tanner, our excellent clarinet teacher, has a couple of spaces coming up in September. If your child will be in Year 2 or above in September, and would be interested in learning the clarinet, please speak to the school office.

Preschool

Thank you for entrusting us with your wonderful children. We wish the school starters every success in September and look forward to welcoming you back next term.

From The Friends

Another year is over and what a great year it has been. Thank you to everyone who has helped and supported us throughout this year.

We look forward to doing more amazing fundraising for the school next year.

Our first meeting of the year is on 28th September at 7pm, at the school.

Everyone is welcome to join us.

Don't forget our Pool Party on August 14th.

Greenbank Swimming Pool, Wilfrid Rd, Street, BA16 0EU

Starting at 6:30pm.

Under 8's need to be accompanied.

No inflatables or woggles.

We are looking forward to a fun time.

If you are unable to come, please let us know.

The Friends

We wish you all a happy and safe summer holidays and see you back on Tuesday 5th September 2023.

Best wishes,

Rebecca Cawley

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Dates

Friday 15th September – Pete the Poet – workshops for all the classes.

Tuesday 10th October – Book Fair

Wednesday 1st November - Tornado and Wildfire Classes are going to Paignton Zoo. Tornado are learning about Animal Kingdoms and Wildfire are learning about the Rainforest.

Stonehenge – Hurricane Class are learning about the Stone Age - details to follow.

Monday 4th December – Jack and the Beanstalk pantomime at Axminster Guildhall (whole school).







