



Newsletter 6 – 13th October 2017

Diarv Dates

'We are resilient and celebrate all our efforts.'

Resilience

Xmas Fayre	Saturday 2 nd December 11am-1pm
Flu Immunisation for Years R/1/2/3/4	Friday 1 st December 1pm
Back to School	Wednesday 1 st November
Break Up	Friday 20 th October
Non Uniform Day – bring a bottle of drink (any type)	Friday 20 th October
Year 3 WOW Event – Story Telling & Art Gallery	Friday 20 th October @ 1.30pm
Year 4 WOW Event – Story Telling & Poetry Recital	Thursday 19 th October @ 2.30pm
Book Fair	Wednesday 18 th October 3.15-4.00pm
Reception Class WOW Event	Wednesday 18 th Oct @ 9.15am
Parents Evening 2 (+ Book Fair)	Tuesday 17 th October
Book Fair	Monday 16 th October 3.15-4.00pm
Individual School Photographs	Monday 16 th October

INSET Days

Friday 1st September 2017 Monday 30th October 2017 Tuesday 31st October 2017 Monday 18th December 2017 Friday 9th February 2018

Headteacher's News

It was lovely to see some of you at the first of our parents'/carers' evenings this week. Please do remember that our doors are always open should you need to speak to a member of staff if a concern arises at any time of the year. This week we had the second of our Local Authority Reviews to see what progress we are making against the targets set following our Ofsted report. The good news is that a greater proportion of our teaching is now good or better based on both lesson observations and book looks. We have also made strong progress in our Problem Solving and Reasoning in Maths. The review team liked the whole school consistency in the learning walls and corridor displays and really felt that they supported the children's skill development.

The area that we now need to develop further (it is one that we are already working on) is the quantity and quality of writing across the curriculum with a greater focus on the children using accurate spellings.

The children, as usual, were a credit to themselves and to Courtney.

I am looking forward to seeing all the weird and wonderful costumes at the Halloween Disco tonight ... and the teachers showing their moves if they have any energy left after such a busy week. **Deborah Wood**



Reading Certificates Reading 25 – Kyle, Ben, Ethan, Dean, Peter, Issy, Lily, Shaya, William, Logan, Liam, Cole, Brody, Millie, Megan, Sarah, Evie, Caiden, Edie, Rhylee, Ruby, Caitlyn, Tyler, Caitlyn, Harry Oscar, Beatrice, Aiden, Jack Reading 50 – Ellie

Multiplication Masters

Megan, Hannah, Millie, Carmen

PTA News

On Friday 20th October children can wear non school uniform in return for bringing in a bottle of drink (nonalcoholic or alcoholic) for the Christmas Fayre.

The next PTA meeting will be held on Friday 3rd November at 3.15pm, everyone is welcome to come along.

Ladybirds

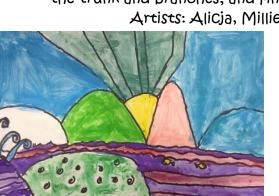
We are now very near a date for the installation of our exciting Trim Trail. The school would like to thank Ladybirds for their contribution of £3000 towards the cost and is looking forward to sharing it with the pre-school children.

Artwork from the 'Drawing and Painting Club'

To make our Autumn trees, we used a sponge to Create a background wash, a brush to paint the trunk and branches; and fingerprints to form the leaves. Artists: Alicja, Millie C and Caitlyn M

The landscapes were created by drawing layers of mountains and sea. Rhian chose to create an outline using black permanent pen and Will M chose to cut out a bear and a balloon.

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Courtney Cadybirds

Pre-School



Year 1 and 2 WOW Event

On Thursday 19th October at 1.00pm Year 1 and 2 will be holding their WOW Event. It is an arts and craft event where the children will be making wooden spoon puppets and retelling fairytale stories with them. Please come along to share this experience with your child.

The Murky Mine

The children are slippery snails as slow as slugs. Pulling the mine cart. Tug! Tug! Tug! The dark dismal mine is a shark eating children as they toil. Mining the Soil! Soil! Soil! The mine is a gorilla raging at the children as they hack him with pickaxes. Wanting Snacks! Snacks! Snacks! The ebony coloured soot is a killing poison filling their lungs, dying their tongues like a cactus in the desert. Aren't you lucky you don't live in the reign of Queen Victoria? **A poem by Adam S**

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Story - Drama - Play!

October Holiday Special Classes At The Park Centre, Kingswood Thursday 26th October

Debutots interactive storytelling and dramatic play classes nurture creativity, imagination, confidence and language skills. Come and hear how Rory the Rabbit wants to win the Perfect Pumpkin Competition! Why not bring your little ones along for some Autumn-themed fun?

Early Years Drama (for 5-7yrs) at 10-10.50am:

Dramatic play is at the heart of these sessions - the children move to music, and join in with an interactive story. Then we jump into the story world, bringing the characters and scenery to life!

Try our Family Story Play class (for 6m-4yrs) at 11-11.50am:

A blend of music, bubbles, puppets, interactive story and dramatic play, these classes are perfect for little ones, their siblings and friends.

Autism South West Network

for parents and carers of children and young people who have autism or social communication difficulties The meeting is open to all parents/carers

Understanding & Supporting Anxiety

1.30 - 3.30 p.m. on Friday 13 October 2017

Raysfield Infants School, Finch Road, Chipping Sodbury BS37 6JE

Meet other parents who have a child with autism.

Ask questions about autism.

Find support and advice from autism specialists.

Learn about anxiety in autism and how to support your child.

Receive a free resource to take away.

Enjoy light refreshments.

Further information from claire.phillips@southglos.gov.uk 01454 868598

If possible, please email to let me know that you are attending or ring the number above.

£10 per parent or £15 per family (cheques or cash on the day)

Follow @autismsouthwest for autism advice and information.

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