

Newsletter - 24th November 2017



The children have had a fantastic end to the week with the whole school Art day today. They were given the themes of buildings, people and places and the licence to do whatever they liked around those themes. Their collaborative work will be mounted for display around the school as soon as it is all dry and set. Thank you so much for your contributions to the day. We wouldn't have been able to give the children such a memorable day without your help.

The children have been so busy with their art today that they haven't had chance to write their usual entries for the newsletter. Instead, we have included some photos of the day to give you a flavour of their learning. We also have not had our usual 'Praise Assembly' this week as the day has been jam-packed with art.

Barbara, our amazing cook, has started running a 'life skills club' for the children on a Tuesday afternoon. It involves six children at a time spending the afternoon with Barbara who chooses a dish for them to prepare. They go shopping at Roz's for ingredients and then come back to school and cook in the school kitchen. By the end of this school year, every child will have taken part. I have to say a huge thank you to Barbara who is giving her time for free. The children who have worked with her so far have absolutely loved it.

We are putting together our Key Stage 2 Carol concert and are looking for any cellists, guitarists or recorder players who would like to accompany the children in a couple of the carols. The children have also said that they would like a chess club at lunchtime. If you would be able to help with this, please do get in touch.

Our collection from Bag2School raised £84.00 - thank you for your donations for this.

Thank you for your continued support with attendance over this term. We are still over 97% for the year and I really hope that we are able to keep above this figure in the run up to Christmas.

Next Friday is Mrs Lewsey's fund raising event. Any cake donations and raffle prize donations would be greatly appreciated. We look forward to your company on the day if you can make it.

The children will be having their Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 13th December. Menu order forms have been sent home for you to place your order. You don't need to send any money in with this order, it is just for our kitchen to have an idea of numbers for ordering the food. The meal will be charged to your normal dinner money account. If your child doesn't wish to have a Christmas dinner on that day, please can you just indicate on the form - thank you.

Have a very enjoyable weekend.



Weekly Attendance 20 th - 24 th November 2017		Days Missed	Lates
Whole School	97.01%	15	2
Spiders	98.67%	2	1
Butterflies	97.59%	3.5	0
Dragonflies	95.56%	6	0
Ladybirds	95.10%	3.5	1
Well done to Spiders for great attendance!			

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Diary Dates	
29 Nov	Butterflies' Trip to Totnes
1 Dec	Mrs Lewsey's Cake Sale 1.30 pm - 3.30 pm
8 Dec	Christmas Fayre at 3 pm
12 Dec	Spiders Trip to Bristol Science Museum
12 Dec	Nativity for Ladybirds and Dragonflies at 2 pm
13 Dec	School Christmas Dinner
14 Dec	Christmas Carol Concert (Butterflies and Spiders)
15 Dec	Last day of Term - Finish at 2.30 pm
3 Jan 2018	First day back to school for pupils