



Frome Valley First School News Weekly

*"Together, with God's love, we learn,
nurture and grow, without limits."*



Stars of the Week



Reception	Liylah
Year 1	Thomas
Year 2	Ivy
Year 3	Hunter
Year 4	Logan

Gate by Dick o The Banks Road Entrance

For health and safety reasons we wish to let parents know that the gate by Dick o the Banks Road will be locked **by 3.25pm**. Families are welcome to stay and chat in the playground at the end of school but will need to walk around school and use the exit by the church or the main exit by the car park.

Thank You!

Wessex Multi Academy Trust INSET Days 2024 – 2025

The INSET days for the academic year 2024 – 2025 have been changed by the trust as a whole so that all schools within the academy have the same days. The following dates will now be our INSET days.

Monday 2nd September 2024
Thursday 24th October 2024
Friday 25th October 2024
Friday 20th December 2024
Monday 6th January 2025
Tuesday 22nd April 2025
Monday 21st July 2025 and
Tuesday 22nd July.



The school online calendar has been updated to reflect these dates.

After School Science Club

After the success of science week, we are looking at a possible after school science club. The club would run for 45 minutes after school at a cost of £6 per session. Children would need to commit to attending for a half term.

Before we go any further (and as they need a minimum number for the club to run), **we would like to know how many parents would be interested in this for their child / children.**

If you are interested in a club like this for your child, please call or email the school office by Friday 1st March.

After School Computing Club

We are still looking at the logistics of a computing club. When we have any further information, we will let parents know.

If we are able to start the club it will run in a different half term to a science club.

Week beginning: 26.02.2024

Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property once again. Does anyone recognise the boxes or the unusual Halloween item that has appeared in school!! All this week, lost property will be in the meeting room for parents to view. Anything left at the end of the week will be recycled or disposed of.



Bikeability Level 1 Years 3 and 4

If you would like your child to take part in the Bikeability course, please return the form to the school office by tomorrow, Tuesday 27th February. Thank you.



Vision Screening – Reception Class

A last reminder to parents that the deadline to register for an online account is Sunday 3rd March. You need to be registered to view your child's results of the vision screening that is taking place on Wednesday 6th March.



Household Support Fund

We wanted to make sure that families were aware of the Household Support Fund and the funding that any Dorset resident can apply for. The support offered is a £150 supermarket voucher.

The full details are at the link below link:

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/-/household-support-fund>

Dorset Council households are eligible to apply if they have: an annual household net income of less than £30,000 and savings of less than £16,000 and not applied for a previous HSF payment within the last 6 months.

When to apply:

The next round of applications starts at 10am on the following dates:

Tuesday 5 March 2024

Funds are limited for each application window and the form will close when they have been allocated.

If anyone needs any help applying or the use of a laptop, please speak to Sian in the school office.

World Book Day and Stories at 6

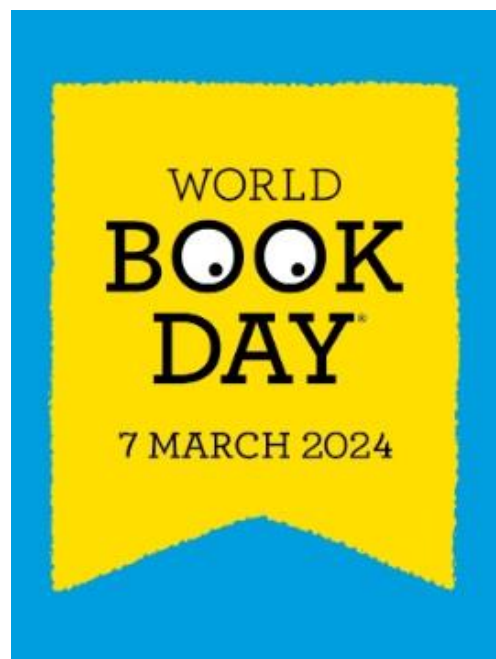
World Book Day take place next **Thursday 7th March**. On the day, we would like all children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character if they wish to. All children are also invited to return to school in their PJ's or Onesie to listen to stories read by their teachers and to drink hot chocolate. Children will need to bring a plastic cup to school for their hot chocolate!

The session will start at 6pm and finish at 6.30pm. Parents are welcome to wait in the hall and have a hot drink while they wait.

PTFA Book Sale

On World Book Day, the PTFA are holding a second-hand book sale. Books will be available to view from 3-3.30pm and then from 6-6.45pm in the school hall.

The PTFA are still looking for any book donations. If you have any you wish to donate, please bring them to the school office.



Attendance Sheets

Attendance sheets were sent home to parents on Friday. Staff will be in touch with parents with any attendance figures that are causing concern so we can work together to improve your child's attendance. If anyone has any queries, please speak to the school office or your class teacher. Thank you for continuing to work with us on improving attendance.

Upcoming Events: Dates for your Diary!

6th March	Vision Screening – Reception Class	22nd March	Sharing Assembly 9am (Reception Class, Years 1 and 2)
7th March	World book Day and Stories @ 6pm	29th Mar – 14th April	Easter Holidays
13th March	Year 4 Wessex Singing Festival	15th April	Wellbeing Day – children wear blue clothes
15th March	Sharing Assembly 9am (Years 3 & 4)	6th May	Bank Holiday
18th - 19th March	Parent Interviews (Years 1-4)	14th May	Parent Drop In 8.15 – 8.40am and 2.15 – 3pm
20th – 22nd March	Year 4 – Hooke Court Residential	15th May	Years 1 & 2 trip to Lorton Meadows

What are we learning in our classrooms this week?

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
In Literacy, we will be having a go at using a question mark in our writing as we think about what questions we are going to ask PSCO Alison when she comes to visit us.	In Literacy, we will be reading and spelling some split digraph words (or 'chatty friends' as the children call them) e.g. cake, spike, home, huge.	In Literacy, we are working on composition writing based on the story the Rainbow Bear by Michael Morpurgo.	In Literacy, we are reading and discussing an adventure story to learn from its structure, vocab and grammar.	In Literacy, we are learning about expanded noun phrases
In Numeracy, we are learning about length, height and time. We will be comparing the length and height of objects and using the words 'longer', 'shorter' and 'taller'.	In Numeracy, we are focusing on adding using doubles and near doubles e.g. $7 + 8 = 7 + 7 + 1$.	In Numeracy, we are continuing our work on multiplication and division, learning our division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.	In Numeracy, we are using new multiplication vocabulary, e.g. "Find the product of 4 and 25." This is the same as $4 \times 25 =$	In Numeracy, we are looking at fractions, and how to calculate mixed number fractions.
In Music, we are learning how to play a note on a xylophone to the beat of a song.	In RE, we will be looking at the Jewish festival of Sukkot and making our own mini sukkahs!	In Design and Technology, we are starting to plan a design for a vehicle.	In Computing, we are thinking of closed (yes and no) questions to group objects for a branching diagram.	In RE, we are looking at how the story of the Good Samaritan can be translated into today's culture.

Do ask your child about their learning!

If you need any further information, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Nut Free School Lunches and Snacks

A reminder to everyone that we are a nut free school. Please ensure that all lunches, snacks and drinks do not contain nuts. Thank you for your help