



Chilton Foliat Primary School Newsletter

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'With thankfulness, courage and love, we strive to improve heart and mind'
Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst". John 4:13

Dear Parents and Carers

We are heading towards the end of term yet still have so much to look forward to and celebrate. Over recent weeks, learning has continued, interspersed with trips out, visitors in and the children preparing for events coming up. It has been a hive of positive, collaborative and purposeful activity! We are looking forward to our One World Week and then the focus will be on our "2024 Super Six's" for the final week of term. We have also begun to welcome our 24/25 Reception cohort to school as they come in for short taster sessions. Our school fete was a tremendous success and a big thank you is extended to all The Friends who made it happen - It is great to see this very special event back in the school calendar! Congratulations are also due to our Grow a Fiver entrepreneurs for raising money for this term's charitable cause. As a result of their efforts, **£138.60** was raised which will be donated to King George VI School and Centre for children with SEN and Disability. Fantastic! More news from the Friends and the money raised from the fete can be read about later on in this newsletter.

All dates for forthcoming events can be found at the end of this newsletter and further information will continue to be sent out to make sure everybody is kept firmly in the Chilton Foliat Primary School loop.



One World Week – Monday 1st July to Friday 5th July 2024



Our core Christian vision provides the solid foundation for our **One World** curriculum development. The River Kennet, the river upon whose banks we sit, provides the symbolic vehicle for our journey. Our school Christian values, **thankfulness**, **courage** and **love** will continue to lead us on our journey. The importance of water remains a focus point; it is one of the world's most precious resources which needs to be shared more equitably. Our bible story, The Woman at the Well, will come to life as we follow the river, with Jesus by our side, knowing we will never be thirsty. Our children will know how to connect with this new area of **One World** learning, as they draw from their existing and deep Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural, wells of knowledge.

As well as exploring the themes and taking part in the events described below, the week will start with a bang as the children take part in a Zimbabwean drumming workshop. We will be exploring the geography of Zimbabwe via the great and sacred river Zambezi and making links with our own River Kennet. Different art projects inspired by Zimbabwean, artists, artwork and crafts will also be taking place throughout the week. Sports Day will reflect an Olympic Paralympic theme with inclusion sports in the itinerary. We still have one or two more surprises to share with you on Sports Day so if you can attend, please make sure you are with us at 1.00pm prompt!

Monday 1st July – My World, Your World, Our World, **One World** – understanding key Global Citizenship themes and ideas.

Tuesday 2nd July – Courageous Advocacy – How and why do we need to make the difference? The story of King George VI Centre for Children with SEN and Disabilities in Zimbabwe.

Wednesday 3rd July Equality, Belonging, Inclusion and Diversity (EBID).

Thursday 4th July – River Day. Whole School trip to the River Kennet – **Parent Helpers Needed.**

Friday 5th July – An Olympic Celebration and Sports Day. For this Sports Day, house coloured T-shirts will **not** be needed.



The Good Shepherd by Livingstone Sango 1945. As part of the Stars are Bright Exhibition, Harare, Zimbabwe.

Classroom arrangements for next academic year 2024/2025

We are finalising plans and will be able to share information about how classes will be supported by our experienced and committed teaching team in the next week or so. The great news is, despite the intense financial pressure all DfE schools face because of national educational funding, we have been able to maintain our full complement of staff and extend provision in some cases. We will continue to offer four classes: Reception, Year 1&2, Year 3&4 and Year 5&6.

Lunchtime at Chilton Foliat

We are delighted with the number of children who sign up for our lunch time offer at Chilton Foliat Primary School and just as delighted and thankful that Mrs Dobson and Mrs Coyle continue to create new, appealing and delicious options for our families to choose from. As a result, we can guarantee our children receive a healthy and nutritious meal which satisfies and provides an excellent basis for continued good behaviour and learning throughout the rest of the school day. To highlight what delights we have to offer, a visual diary has been created and the link will be shared separately.

From September, and suggested by the Catering Team, parents will be welcome to come and join their children for lunch. Look out for further details coming soon!

With the importance of a healthy and balanced diet in mind for all our children, we have noticed an increase in the amount of sugary and chocolate-based foods in lunchboxes. We ask for your support in limiting these types of food in school.

The Friends

Summer fete - thank you!

The Friends are thrilled to announce that the total raised from the summer fete is (drum roll) a whopping £1917.59! This would not have been possible without the efforts of the Friends team in pulling off such a great day, but also without the help of so many of you as volunteers on the day. Thank you all for your amazing support! Look out for photos on the school Facebook page soon, thanks to the very talented Mr Harvey!

The incredible amount raised means that we can start to tick some items off the school wishlist so look out for future announcements.

Table top sale, Saturday 29th June 9.30am - 11.00am

A reminder that we are holding a table top sale in the clubhouse on Saturday 29th June. Rumour has it that Mrs Webber is baking goodies for it, so that's reason enough to attend! One of our parents, Virginia Burt, will have a table at the event and has lots of beautiful baby and young children's things for sale including clothing, toys, books, as well as labelled pieces that could be ideal as gifts. Please do come along to browse and see what you might fancy! If you are planning a clear out yourself and can't be bothered with the faff and early start of a car boot sale, why not book a table - just email The Friends at friendsofchiltonfoliat@gmail.com

Leavers's disco, Friday 19th July 5.30pm - 7.00pm

A reminder that we will bid a fond farewell to our amazing Year 6 pupils at the disco on Friday 19th July. All children are welcome to attend. Tickets will be available shortly and a separate email will follow. A tuck shop will be available at the disco as well as a digital photo booth to capture all those precious friendship moments!

Wild Meadow

Thank you to everyone who donated wild flower seeds for our meadow. As you can see from the daily watering and nurturing, we are just beginning to see the seeds flourish and thrive.



LifeBase Visits – Tuesday 9th July 2024

As part of our Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) curriculum offer we are looking forward to our visit from Life Education Wiltshire. Life Education visits have replaced what used to be the LifeBus workshops but the intention and content remains the same. On Tuesday 9th July our Life Bus Educator will be coming to school to deliver workshops to each class covering subjects such as Friendship, Beat the Brain, Wonderful Me and All about our Bodies. As from September, we will also be adopting their recommended PSHE curriculum – SCARF – which stands for: Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship.

Mental Health and Wellbeing

As the weather begins to improve, many of us are turning our thoughts to gardening. There is plenty of scientific research which outlines the many benefits of gardening to support mental health for both children and adults. Look at the following website for further information:

<https://www.rhs.org.uk/garden-inspiration/get-gardening/wellbeing-benefits-of-gardening-for-children>

Books to support mental health and wellbeing

Picture books about flowers and gardening and their value for children's wellbeing



The beneficial impact of books and reading on children's mental health is well established. [National Literacy Trust research](#) tells us that children who are engaged with reading and writing are three times more likely to have high mental wellbeing than children who aren't. Books are great stress reducers. The nurturing qualities of plants and gardening has a huge impact on children's wellbeing. Flowers and gardening symbolise hope, positivity and optimism. So here are a few fantastic books which combine reading and gardening to support our children's mental wellbeing.

Online Safety Guidance for Parents



[Digital Matters](#)

Parents can access the Digital Matters platform without registering. They can access the free Parent Companion Guide to learn a little more about Digital Matters and the topic. This helps them support their

Year 6 Leavers Service at Salisbury Cathedral by Imogen



The year six leavers' service at Salisbury Cathedral was very rewarding. We all arrived and began to walk into the large and inspiring building and found our three rows of seats. In the middle of the Cathedral there was a granite water feature which had some quotes from the Bible carved on the side. During the service we sang three songs and said prayers. In the middle of the service a group of children performed a drama show about how we will all fit in at our new secondary schools and they showed us how God will always be with us during our life. While we sang the second song, we had to do the sign language as well (which we all mastered). The songs were all about God and how his light will always be shining on us.

Book review by Gaby Year 6 Damsel by Evelyn Skye... a very good book. Highly recommended!!

4.5 stars. The audience is for 12+ years.

I like the book because it's a fantasy, fairy tale type but also a bit gory. It is a very interesting book, but sometimes it is a challenge to understand. Damsel is written so well that it really pulls you into the story and you do not want to put the book down. This book is a thriller, full of wonderful adventure and even a mythical creature! Damsel by Evelyn Skye... very good book. Recommended!!



Dates for the Diary 2024

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| Wed 26th/Thurs 27th June | Year 1– 6 Parents Evenings |
| Saturday 29th June | Table top Sale Club House 09:30am—11:30am |
| Monday 1st July | Park House Transition Day Year 6 |
| Mon 1st– 5th July | One World Themed Week |
| Thursday 4th July | Whole School ARK Day |
| | JoG Transition Day Year 6 |
| Friday 5th July | Sports Day 1:00pm start |
| | St Johns Transition Day Year 6 |
| Tuesday 9th July | LifeBase Visit—Healthy Living Workshop (whole school) |
| Thursday 11th July | Sika Trip to Legoland |
| | KS2 Girls Football Tournament St Johns |
| Tuesday 16th July | KS2 Evening performance 6:00pm—7:00pm |
| Wednesday 17th July | KS2 Matinee performance 2:00pm—3.00pm |
| Thursday 18th July | Moving up Day (whole school and new reception children) |
| Friday 19th July | Leavers Disco 5:30pm—7:00pm |
| Monday 22nd July | Sika Picnic and Activity |
| Wednesday 24th July | Leavers Church service 2:00pm |
| | End of Term 6 NO ASC |

This terms Christian Value is:

Love