



23rd November 2018

Dear Parents, Carers & Children,

No 11 Newsletter

We start with some very exciting news: baby 'Kobi Ray Tony Fowler' was born, weighing 8 lbs 12 ounces on Sunday 18th November, Mum and baby are now home and doing well. Many congratulations to Amy and Dave. We are very much looking forward to meeting him. 😊

Alterations

The digger arrived on Wednesday, much to the children's excitement and work has now started on the field. Understandably, there are barriers around the work and the children will not be playing nearby. As the work progresses there may be slight changes needed to routines around school but these will be communicated to the children as the need arises.

The work is being completed by Somerset Landscapes who have worked on many other Somerset schools. Each morning I will be having a meeting with the supervisor to discuss the work for that day and any impact it may have on the school. There is also a more detailed schedule of works which is being followed. There will be no large deliveries around the times that the children will be arriving and leaving school, however the coned area at the front of the car park will remain in place during the day and we request that you are mindful of this when parking. Thanks.



Wellington School Maths Challenge

Tomorrow, four Year 6 children are travelling to Wellington School, with their parents and Mrs Hewitson, to take part in this year's Maths Challenge. They will be competing against teams from about forty other Somerset primary schools. Good luck to Archie, Bumble, Caitlin and Eve!

SEND Forum

A reminder that the next SEND forum is on Monday 26th November at 2.15pm in school. We look forward to seeing any parents/carers that would like to discuss Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. This session we are looking particularly at transitions.

Safeguarding - Head Lice

A reminder for parents to let us know if they find head lice in their children's hair, we ask that parents are vigilant and keep wet combing with conditioner each day. I have attached the NHS advice on this.

Love learning, work together, achieve and shine.

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BFG!

Hopefully, the children will be familiar with some of Dahl's books. As part of our reading focus this term we are very lucky to have booked Antony Pedley to come into school on Friday 14th December: Antony was the original BFG in the West End Musical in London He will be in school the full day. In the morning, he will be working with Years 3-6 looking at Roald Dahl's writing through an autobiographical play where he shows the children how Dahl found writing a challenge, but discovered that....'the only way to write a book, or a story, that children are going to fall in love with, is for it to have certain essential ingredients.....a good fast plot, lots of humour, and a mixture of some extremely nasty people, and some nice people.' In the afternoon, the whole school will watch a drama of The BFG. For this to take place we ask for a parental contribution on parentpay of £2 from children in Reception Y1 & Y2 and £3 from children in Years 3-6. Parent pay letters will be sent home on Monday.

Nativity Performances

Ticket letters have been sent home today for the nativity performances:

- Reception Christmas production of 'Whoops-A-Daisy Angel' which will take place on Friday 7th December at 2:30 pm.
- KS1 Christmas production of 'Away in a Manger' which will take place on Tuesday 11th December at 9:15 am and Tuesday 11th December at 6:00 pm in the school hall.

Behaviour for Learning Celebration

The following pupils received certificates in assembly to celebrate their excellent behaviour towards learning: Reception: Elijah & Benjamin, Y1: Jimmy & Isabella, Y2: Oscar B & Rowan, Y3: Oliver D & Brooke, Y4: Oliver B & George, Y5: Chase & Oscar, Y6: Lily & Archie. Well done everyone!

Platinum Bag

Josh H from Y2 was celebrated in assembly this week for an excellent piece of work.

Learning Behaviour Award

Nikita and Ellie have completed the Bronze Challenge by collecting one of each of the behaviour for learning stickers. Congratulations to Nikita & Ellie.



Pen Licence

Pen Licences were awarded to the following children: Y6: Megan (we are very sorry Megan, that you were missed off last week's list) and this week, Y5: George, Macy, Marcie & Abigail.

Top Table Award

The following children were on the top table today as the knife and fork award winners: Acorns: Noah & Eden, Oak: Grace & Erin, Beech: Kaici & Oscar B.

House Point Totals

Stonham: 1238, Brewer: 1110, Joslin: 1126, Langdon: 1149.



Attendance

Class Attendance winners this week were Hazel Class with 99.48% – Well done!

Class	Percentage Attendance %	Number of Lates
Acorn (R)	98.21	2
Oak Year 1	93.33	4
Beech Year 2	92.67	2
Willow Year 3	95.11	2
Hawthorne Year 4	96.09	2
Hazel Year 5	99.58	2
Yew Year 6	94.48	3



Last week's Attendance Winners Oak Class

Y6 Fundraising

Y6 are continuing to raise money towards their post SATs trip, and are holding a Bring and Buy Sale on Tuesday and Thursday next week. Please could children bring in toys, games and books that are in good condition that we will be able to sell. They will also be selling reindeer hot chocolate packs for £1. Please do try to support them.

KS1 Christmas Meal

Letters were sent home this week with menu choices for the KS1 Xmas Meal on Wednesday 19th December 2018. We will be ordering the turkey and jelly option for anyone who did not return the form; please do let us know if you are providing a packed lunch that day so we do not over order. The Spring Term menu will be on parentpay next week and we ask that parents make their selections for the whole term, moving through half term, and choosing until Easter. We will confirm by text next week when selections are available.

Christmas/ Winter Design Orders

If you missed the school deadline for orders, you can still order via the website: www.school-fundraising.co.uk. Scroll to the very bottom of the page and under the section: Information, click on Late Orders (for Parents) and it will guide you through ordering. School will not receive funds from any website orders.

Tree Decorations

All decorations need to be in school by Friday 30th November so we can decorate the tree, class prizes will be given out in assembly that day. See attached flyer.

Sports

Y5/6 Football/Hockey V Stockland

Report by Caitlin and Emma F: On Wednesday we played Stockland and St Johns away. There was some excellent playing, Bumble and Amber scored goals. Games were quick and at a fast pace. We had to concentrate as we were playing two other schools. Players player were Bumble and Caitlin.

Report by Riley and Liam: We played Stockland and St John's at football. They were very strong teams we let in some goals but scored some as well. It was an enjoyable but wet afternoon.



Y3/4 Hockey V Others @ Holyrood

On Tuesday 27th we are taking part in a hockey fixture at Holyrood against other schools from the area. We will be transporting the children by coach and leaving at 12.30 pm, returning at 3.30pm. Please note these times have changed since the letter was sent home. The following children have been selected: Ned, Kyron, James P, George, Florence, Neave, Sienna, Harry, Jacob, Buddy, Chris, Rebekah, Ellie, Amelia & reserves: Ethan & Jack. Please give consent via parentpay.

Y3/4 Hockey V Kings Hall

On Thursday 29th we are taking part in a hockey fixture against Kings Hall. We will be transporting the children and leaving at 1.15pm, returning for 4.45pm. The following children have been selected: Neave, Ellie, Rhianna, Isabelle, Rebekah, Florence, Jessica, Brooke, Imogen, Julia, Sienna, Megan, Amelia, Daisy, Fern & Jemima. Please give consent via parentpay.

Swimming – a reminder that swimming starts for Y3 in January, please ensure that children have consent on parentpay before their first session on 10th January.

Sports Kit

Please remember to return fixture kits back as soon as possible, (washed and dried), these can be left outside the PE cupboard. Thank you.

Reminder: Raising Funds for Tatworth

We would like to improve our outdoor spaces. The garden at the front of school needs attention; we are hoping to turn it into a quiet garden for our pupils. We would also like to raise money for new equipment for the playground so we have signed up to a scheme whereby parents can help us raise funds every time they shop. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk> and select Tatworth Primary School to help us.

A reminder that my next drop-in session is on Tuesday 4th December at 2.15pm.

Yours sincerely



Tracey Hart, Headteacher

Saturday 24 th	9.30: Maths Challenge.
Monday 26 th Nov	2.15: SEND Forum
	6.00-7.00: KS2 (Years 3,4,5,6) Maths Parents Workshop
Tuesday 27 th	12.30-3.10: Y3/4 Hockey V Others @ Holyrood (A) ST
Wednesday 28 th	Y5/6 Sports Practise/Forest School
	3.30 – 4.00 :Y1 and invited Y2 Phonics Meeting
Thursday 29 th	10.30-12.30: Y4 Swimming @ Flamingo ST
	1.15-4.45: Y3/4 Hockey V Kings Hall (A) ST
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