



1st February 2019

Dear Parents, Carers & Children,

No 19 Newsletter

Firstly a warm welcome to Theo who joined Hawthorne class this week.

Reluctantly, as you all know, we had to close the school today due to the snow. Thank you all for your co-operation with this; I hope you all had an enjoyable day - either playing in the snow or staying in - wrapped up, safe and warm. Because of this, the newsletter is missing a few features this week and with no Celebration Assembly today, we will celebrate our bronze and silver achievers on Monday during Yew Class' Sharing Assembly.

Well done to Year 3 for being the first class to share their work on Monday afternoon. I have had some feedback from parents/carers who attended, commenting that they liked the focus on one year-group; it would be good to hear views on this from more of you.

With one day less this week, we have still achieved so much. Many classes completed their mid-year assessments and these results will be sent home to you before half term so that you can discuss them during parents evening appointments on Thursday, February 28th and Monday, March 1st.

Well done to the four children from Year 5 who attended the Fly to the Line regional finals at British Aerospace on Tuesday. They had an enjoyable and informative day, and there will be photos and further details to follow in next week's newsletter. You certainly rose to the challenge and represented the school really well, we are very proud of you. Thank you to the adults who volunteered their time to accompany them too.

Acorn class welcomed their new equipment into their outside area, pictures to follow next week.

KS1 Sats Meeting:

Thank you to all the families that attended the KS1 meeting. I hope you found the information useful. Please pop in and speak to Mr Pavey or myself if you have any questions or if you were unable to attend on Tuesday. Thanks.

School Council: Our second meeting has been re-scheduled for Friday 8th February. I have heard that the children want to discuss playtime rules, ways to reduce our plastic waste in school and the introduction of a 'Gold Card', amongst other ideas – I'm very much looking forward to hearing all about these. Also, I will be adding Wellbeing to our agenda too, so children please let your reps know if there are any issues you would like us to discuss.

KS1 Phonics Morning

We are inviting parents/carers into school on Tuesday 12th February to help explain how the Phonics/RWI sessions work in school. Adults are welcome to visit their own child's group and other groups too. We think it would be really useful for parents/carers to see the next group their child is aiming to get to so that they can help support at home. Mrs Whiffin will end the session with a Q and A session. It will run for the 1 hour phonics session from 9.10 to 10.10am.

Love learning, work together, achieve and shine.

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Forest School

Mr Pavey's Report: In Forest School this week we made the most of the snow by holding a snowman making competition. Creativity was high and we made a snow-goalie, mini snowman with mini snow hats, a snow slug, a sunbathing snowman and even a snow-dog. Well done to all of the children in Forest School!



Safeguarding Update

Somerset Public Health are promoting Safer Sleep Week, please find attached further information.

Parking – a resident has brought to my attention that cars are often parked across the entrance to St Margaret's Lane along School Lane. Please can I remind drivers to keep all junctions and driveways clear when parking near the school, thanks.

Wellbeing Passports

The following children have completed their Wellbeing Passports and are now able to purchase their Wellbeing Hoodie: Florence, Harry W, Rose, Holly N, Riley & Joseph B. These can be ordered on parentpay and they will be able to wear these when representing the school at fixtures, during forest school or at weekends.

Y6 Sharing Assembly – don't forget it is Y6/Yew Class' sharing assembly on Monday 4th at 3.00pm. Parents/carers/grandparents are warmly invited to attend; all visitors are required to sign in at the office.



Attendance winners this week were Hawthorne Class with 99.46% – Well done!

Class	Percentage Attendance %	No of lates
Acorn (R)	94.64	7
Oak	95.42	3
Beech	97.84	4
Willow	97.60	6
Hawthorne	98.46	8
Hazel	98.05	3
Yew	96.11	0

U9 Tag Rugby V Others @ Holyrood (A) ST

Report by Florence, Lewis and Mrs Churchill: A great day was had on Tuesday when two teams entered the Y3/4 tag rugby. The B team worked hard with tries from Lewis, Kyle and Kyron. The team went through to the semi-final but unfortunately didn't get to the finals. The A team played really well with tries from Jack, George, Isabelle H, Ollie, Chris and Ned. The children came back very muddy and happy.

Y5/6 Football V Avishayes (A) PT – unfortunately this fixture was cancelled.

U11 Hi 5's Netball @ Holyrood (A) ST

On Tuesday 12th February, we take two teams to Holyrood to take part in the cluster schools netball fixture. We will travel by coach and leave school at 12.30pm, returning for 3.30pm. The following pupils have been selected: Archie, Pyper, Lilly W, Drew, Lola R, Caitlin, Aiden, Betty, Lola D, Rose, Riley, Alfie, Cameron, Bumble, Macy & Olivia. Reserves: Liam T & Matilda. Letters will be sent out on Monday, please give consent on parentpay.

U9 Football/Netball V St John's (H)

On Thursday 14th, we have a home football/netball fixture V St John's, from 2-3.30pm, followed by a match tea. The following pupils have been selected: Rebekah, Summer, Isabelle H, Sienna, Martha, Ellie, Brooke, Jemima, Amelia, Chris, Theo, Seth, Jack, Oliver B, Harry F, George, Jacob, Charlie and Oliver D. Letters will be sent out on Monday, please return permission slips. We would be grateful of any cake donations for the match tea.

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.

Yours sincerely



Tracey Hart
Headteacher



February

Monday 4 th	3.00pm: Y6 Sharing Assembly
Tuesday 5 th	12.30 – 3.30: U9 Hi 5's Netball @ Holyrood (A) ST
Wednesday 6 th	1.00:Y6 Dodgeball ABC Teams V North Curry (A) ST (packed lunch needed) Y5/6 Sports Practise
Thursday 7 th	2.15: Y3/4 Inter house Netball
Monday 11 th	Whole Class Group Photos
Tuesday 12 th	KS1 Phonics Morning 12.30: U11 Hi 5's Netball @ Holyrood (A) ST
Wednesday 13 th	2.45-5.30:Y3456 Stockland X Country (A) ST Y5/6 Sports Practise/Forest School
Thursday 14 th	3.45pm & 5.45pm: Pixies Holt Meeting 2-3.30: U9 Football/Netball V St John's (H) Y3/4 Sports Practise/Forest School

Half Term: Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February

Wednesday 27 th	1.00-4.30: Y5/6 Netball V Kings Hall (A) ST Y5/6 Sports Practise/Forest School
Thursday 28 th	Y3/4 Sports Practise/Forest School 3.40-6.50: Parents Evening

March (Forward Dates)

Friday 1 st	3.00pm: Y5 Sharing Assembly
Monday 4 th	3.40-6.50: Parents Evening
Thursday 7 th	World Book Day
Friday 22 nd	3.00pm: Y4 Sharing Assembly

Cake Days

As usual, we will be holding monthly Cake Days at school. Parents are asked to use parentpay for the £1 donation, as this will cover all cakes until the end of the school year. Please don't forget to donate cakes each month on the last Friday of the month.

