



*Dear Parents/Carers,*

A huge well done to all our Year 5/6 children for their wonderful performances of Aladdin this week. I am sure that parents and families enjoyed these as much as the rest of the school when they watched the dress rehearsal on Monday.

The children have also enjoyed musical performances from other pupils in the school who are currently learning to play an instrument. This gave the instrumentalists the chance to perform in front of a large audience and has hopefully inspired a few more budding musicians at Paxcroft. If your child is interested in learning to play an instrument, please contact the school office for more information.

On Wednesday, all year groups across the school enjoyed a sports enrichment session led by trained coaches from Active Trowbridge. The children learned to play dodgeball and ultimate Frisbee. Samuel in Year 2 said, "I really want to do it again because it was amazing. My favourite bit was dodgeball when you run and have to throw balls at people's legs."



Today we held the annual Paxcroft Year 6 v Staff cricket match. As you would expect, there were many Ashes winning performances on show for an excited crowd of children from the other year groups. I am delighted to report that the staff were victorious, winning by 26 runs!

Tomorrow is our Summer Fayre (11am-2pm). We really hope that as many of you as possible will support this event to help us raise additional funds to enrich the children's learning. The weather is looking wet so we will set up stalls inside the school. Thank you very much for your generous donations of sweets and bottles for the tombola. We hope to see you tomorrow.

Thank you for your ongoing support for the school.

*Lou Rhodes*  
*Headteacher*

## *Is your child due to start school in September 2024?*

Please see below our Open Days for September 2024:

- Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> September, 9.30am
- Sat 14<sup>th</sup> October, 10am
- Tues 14<sup>th</sup> November, 9.30am

Please contact the School Office to book your place!

## *Attendance ...*

This week's whole school attendance ...

94.03%

## *Celebrating Achievements ...*



It has been a busy time for Rex recently; he has achieved his Goldfish 1 swimming badge. Well done, Rex!

He and Alex also came first in the Beavers Leaders District Challenge, representing 1st Hilperton Beavers against 9 other groups. Congratulations, Rex and Alex!



Well done to Florence, who took part in a ballet and tap dance show at the weekend in the Civic Centre. She performed in front of over 200 people and had a great time!



If your child has achieved something special outside school, we would love to celebrate their achievements.

Please send details FAO Mrs Aland to [admin@paxcroft.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@paxcroft.wilts.sch.uk) and we will endeavour to add to the Paxcroft Post.

## *After School Club Reminder...*

**A reminder that After School Club will not be running on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July as it is our last day of term.**



## Teacher Development Days for the next academic year...

Friday 1st September  
Monday 4th September  
Thursday 4th January 2024  
Friday 5th January 2024  
Monday 10th June 2024

## Our learning this week...

### Wren & Robin

What a lovely week we have had! On Monday we watched the Year 5/6 production of Aladdin. It was amazing! On Wednesday we had an hour of sporty fun with Active Trowbridge. We played dodgeball and ultimate Frisbee. We have been refining the 'Pat-a-Cake Polka' dance. We will be performing this at the summer fayre tomorrow morning.

### Woodpecker, Kingfisher & Nightingale

In Year 1/2 this week, we have had the pleasure of welcoming Active Trowbridge who very kindly led a sports workshop. They had a wonderful time playing dodgeball and ultimate Frisbee and learned many new skills. We have been so proud of all of their achievements this year and wish you all a happy and restful summer.

### Skylark, Housemartin & Swift



Wow! It is hard to believe that we have reached the end of the year already! Where did that time go? It has been another busy last week in Year 3 and 4, starting with a visitor from Trowbridge Library who came to tell the children about the 'Summer Reading Challenge' a separate letter has been sent to you about this. We would love to hear that as many children as possible participate in the challenge over the summer. On Monday afternoon, we watched the amazing Year 5/6 production of Aladdin – what a treat! We have been creating our own fantasylands and writing persuasive texts trying to persuade people to visit them. On Tuesday, we were treated again, this time to a music concert by Mrs Farnell and her music students, which was great. On Wednesday, we had lessons with Active Trowbridge learning how to throw Frisbees and playing dodgeball. It was great fun! We are all looking forward to the summer break and wish you all a happy holiday. See you all again in September!

### Osprey, Falcon & Kestrel

We have had such an exciting week this week in Year 5/6. Our production of Aladdin was amazing and we are so proud of all the children! From the singing and acting to the dancing, the children were very professional and put on a great show. A special shout out to our Technical team Kajetan and Dylan for their incredible skills of running the lights, music and microphones. On Wednesday, Year 5 went to Clarendon secondary school for a taster day. They had a fantastic day and represented our school excellently. Year 6 enjoyed a multi-sports afternoon with Active Trowbridge. They really enjoyed playing dodgeball and ultimate Frisbee and learning new skills.

## Diary dates for Summer Term 2023

<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Paxcroft Summer Fayre (11am – 2pm)
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y6 Leavers Assembly (9.15am)
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y6 Leavers Party (5.30 – 7.30pm)
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July</b>	School Summer Holidays Begin
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b>	TD Day
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	TD Day
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b>	First Day of Term 1

## *Letters & Communications issued this week*

Item	To	For
Trowbridge Museum Leaflet	Whole School	Information
Last Day of Term – Reminder	Whole School	Information
PE Kits needed Weds 19th	Whole School	Information & Action
Library Summer Reading Challenge and Calendar of Events	Whole School	Information
Spurgeons Course Timetable August 23	Whole School	Information
Active Trowbridge Summer Events	Whole School	Information
Dropping Off or Collecting Children by car	Whole School	Information & Action
Named Bag Needed	Whole School	Information & Action
Country Dancing Permission	Selected	Information & Action
Clubs Sept-Dec	Whole School	Information & Action
Last Archery Club	Selected	Information
Summer FUEL Programme	Whole School	Information
Timings for Y5/6 Performance	Y5/6	Information
Library this week	Whole School	Information
Music Tuition	Whole School	Information
PH Sports FUEL Programme	Whole School	Information
Archery Club	Selected	Information
Clubs	Y1/2 & 3	Information
Lost Property	Whole School	Information & Action
Free School Meal Vouchers	Selected	Information
Mr Newbury's Football Club	Selected	Information
Aladdin Collection Arrangements & Popcorn	Y5/6	Information & Action
Returning Library Books	Whole School	Information & Action
Lost Property	Whole School	Information
Non-Uniform Day Tomorrow	Whole School	Information & Action