



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a busy start to term 6. It may be our final term of the academic year but it is certainly going to be a jam-packed one! It was lovely chatting to the children and hearing what they had been up to during the half term break.

Teachers were working hard writing school reports and these will be shared with you in July, once all formal assessments of children's progress have been completed.

On Tuesday, it was good to welcome parents of our new Reception children (due to start in September) to a Parent Information session. We are excited to welcome them all to our Paxcroft community.

Year 6 have had a wonderful time away on their residential trip, based at Mill on the Brue Activity Centre. They arrived back at school this afternoon and we are looking forward to hearing all about their visit. A big thank you to all staff who worked so hard to ensure the children were able to enjoy this experience.

We will soon begin the process of organising classes for the next academic year. We spend a great deal of time doing this to ensure that the balance of the classes is right and the transition process for the children is as smooth as possible. I will share information regarding staffing for next year and details for Sports Day (scheduled for 7th July, subject to weather) shortly.

I hope you enjoy your weekend in the sunshine.

Best wishes

Lou Rhodes

Headteacher

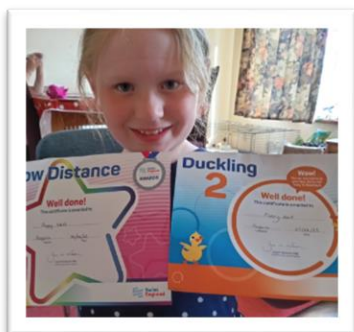
Paxcroft 'Top Table' to celebrate respect and positive behaviour at lunchtime ...

Congratulations to who Evie-Lyn P, Bovil D, Alayah S and Kaileb N have all been recognised this week for being polite and respectful at lunchtime. Well done for demonstrating our Paxcroft Citizen Values.

Celebrating Achievements

Massive congratulations to Hazel and Lulu who after a 5 month training and development programme, have been selected for the Wiltshire Under-11 girls' cricket squad for this Summer season!





Congratulations to Poppy who has gained both her 5-meter and stage 2 swimming badges this week. Well done, Poppy!

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 and we will endeavour to add to the Paxcroft Post.

Youth Parliament news...

Date for your diary: Sunday 25th June

Heroes and Villains Fun Run/Donations of soft animal toys needed please!



Attendance ...

This week's whole school attendance ...

95.3%

5 star rating...

This week we had our food hygiene inspection and, thanks to the hard work and dedication from our Kitchen team, once again received a 5 star rating!

Well done to our fantastic kitchen team, Miss Lockwood and Miss Kamburova!



Playground Pals ...

We have a new set of Paxcroft Playground Pals for Term 6. These Playground Pals will be responsible for helping to organise games and will be on hand to support any children who need a helping hand during the lunch break. The Playground Pals for this term will be Ezra, Sophie, Shannon, Ruby, Serine, Kiera and Elijah. Thank you for your hard work!

Mrs Aland
PSHE Lead



Our learning this week...

Wren & Robin

Wow we have reached the final term of Reception! This term our topic is 'We're going to the zoo' and the children came back to their very own zoos in the classroom. They have enjoyed taking on the role of the different animals and starting to share their experiences of going to a zoo. In English, the children have been using their phonic knowledge to write labels and signs for the zoo. In Maths, we are practising our skills of comparison and deepen our understanding. Finally we have looked at the piece of art 'Tiger in a tropical storm' by Henri Rousseau. We investigated the picture, talking about what we can see, what colours have been used, how does it make us feel. Over the term we are going to be building up our own pieces of artwork based on the piece.



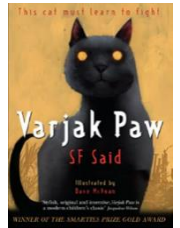
Woodpecker, Kingfisher & Nightingale



In Year 1/2 this week we have been reading our new text 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes. The children have been retelling the story, using a story map with actions. In Maths, we have been exploring measure and reading scales. The children had a great time comparing the mass of items using the scales and we took full advantage of the sunshine to explore volume and capacity of containers outside in the water. In Design and Technology, we have started our unit about Mechanisms, looking closely at pulleys, levers, gears and linkages

Skylark, Housemartin & Swift

Welcome back to Term 6, we hope you had a lovely break! The children in Year 3 and 4 have been busy this week completing a variety of end of year assessments. We have started to read our new book – Varjak Paw, by the author SF Said. In French this week, we have started to learn the French words for a variety of flavours of ice cream. We have continued to find out more about The Ancient Egyptians and some of us made pyramids out of paper. In PE, we have been practising and improving our athletics skills in preparation for Sports Day.



Celebrations



Class	Citizen Values	Learners' Values
Wren	Raheem B - Respect	Evie-Lyn P - Positivity
Robin		Jude E - Positivity Libby J - Resilience
Woodpecker		Ethan T - Positivity April S - Independence
Kingfisher	Eryk O - Kindness & Respect	Tenayah J - Resilience & Positivity
Nightingale	Brooke L - Respect	Roman H - Independence & Resilience
Skylark	Patrycja O - Respect	Elsbeth H - Independence
Housemartin	Malachy R - Respect	Mia A - Positivity



<i>Swift</i>		Jacob A - Independence & Positivity Daisy M - Independence, Resilience & Positivity
<i>Osprey</i>	Anjika S - Respect	Finnley A - Independence
<i>Falcon</i>	Juliet McH-J - Respect	Charlie E - Independence
<i>Kestrel</i>	Olly G - C - Respect	Nikola B - Independence & Positivity

Paxcroft Citizen Cups



Hector L-B - All Values

Eli C - All Values



Diary dates for Summer Term 2023

Wednesday 14th June	Paxcroft School Association Meeting (7 – 8pm)
Wednesday 14th June	Whole School RE Day
Thursday 15th June	Governors' meeting – Finance & Premises committee
Monday 19th June	Reception Starting Sept 2023 Transition – Group 1 (1.30 – 3pm)
Wednesday 21st June	Dance Festival
Friday 23rd June	Reception Starting Sept 2023 Transition – Group 2 (1.30 – 3pm)
Sunday 25th June	Heroes and Villains Fun Run
Monday 26th June	Reception Starting Sept 2023 Transition – Group 2 (1.30 – 3pm)
Tuesday 27th June	Year 5 Taster Day at Clarendon
Thursday 29th June	Reception Starting Sept 2023 Transition – Group 1 (1.30 – 3pm)
Friday 30th June	Non School Uniform (Sweet Donation)
Wednesday 5th July	Year 5 Taster Day at John Of Gaunt
Friday 7th July	Sports Day
Monday 10th July	Reserve Sports Day (in case of bad weather)
Friday 14th July	KS1 Trip to Bristol Aquarium – more information to follow
Tuesday 18th July	Y6 Production Afternoon Performance (1.45pm)

Wednesday 19th July	Y6 Production Evening Performance (6pm)
Thursday 20th July	Y6 Production Evening Performance (6pm)
Friday 21st July	Y6 Cricket Tournament
Friday 21st July	Non School Uniform (Bottle Donation)
Saturday 22nd July	Paxcroft Summer Fayre (11am – 2pm)
Monday 24th July	Leavers Assembly (9.15am)
Monday 24th July	Y6 Leavers Party (5.30 – 7.30pm)
Wednesday 26th July	School Summer Holidays Begin

Letters & Communications issued this week

Item	To	For
Dance Festival Final Information	Selected Children	Information
Archery Club	Selected Children	Information
Mill on the Brue Medical Information	Y6	Information
Mill on the Brue Kit List	Y6	Information
Outdoor Owls Club	Selected Children	Information
Taster Days Reminder	Y5	Information
Forest School Tomorrow	Selected Children	Information
Mr Newburys Football Club Cancellation	Selected Children	Information
Phonic Screening Fact Sheet	Y1	Information
Wifi Wars	Whole School	Information
Class Photo Deadline	Whole School	Information
Y6 Have Arrived	Selected Children	Information
Mill on the Brue	Selected Children	Information