



Dear Parents/Carers...

A brief update from the Paxcroft Post at the end of term! Thank you again to parents for their attendance at Parents' Evening last week, a really useful opportunity to update on the children's progress. A big thank you to all the volunteers (children and adults!) who helped out with our Reception Open Morning on Saturday – it was very well attended and all of our pupil tour guides did a fantastic job of advertising our school.

We also have a staffing update for you. Mrs Randall, after 10 years at Paxcroft, is moving on to pastures new and a new job outside of education. We are incredibly grateful for all of the learning that Mrs Randall has helped us with over the years, with a smile, a joke and a kind word. Mrs Randall wanted to share this with us:

"I wanted to say a thank you to the parents for choosing Paxcroft School. It has been an honour and a privilege to be part of your child's learning journey. I have many wonderful memories that I hold dearly. To the children of Paxcroft, continue to be independent, resilient learners whilst being kind and respectful to your friends and teachers.

*All the best,
Mrs Randall"*

We know that Mrs Randall has encouraged and helped children and adults across our school and, whilst we will miss her, we wish her all the best of luck in her new role. Joining the Reception team for next term will be Ms Emma Court, who comes to us on long-term supply, and we will be recruiting for a permanent TA during the course of the term.

After the half term break we will be straight back to it, engaging with a planned school review with our colleagues with Wiltshire Learning Authority in the first week back. The Mill on the Brue parent meeting that was rearranged will now take place on the first day back at school, Monday 30th, and Parents' Evening slots for Falcon and Osprey class will be held in the second week back. A reminder that, also in the second week back, we will be having our Outdoor Learning days and that children should bring in appropriate footwear and warm clothing for their designated days.

We look forward to welcoming everybody back to school on Monday 30th October.

Have a fantastic half term,

*Lou Rhodes
Headteacher*

Parents' Evening

Falcon and Osprey rescheduled parents evening will be on Monday 6th and Thursday 9th November.

Bookings are now open on Scopay and will close on Tuesday 31st October.

If you have any problems booking, please contact the school office and we will be happy to support you.

Outside achievements...



Well done Araminta for passing her martial arts grading and receiving her orange belt!

What great determination!

We are proud of all the children at Paxcroft and want to celebrate their successes inside and outside the classroom. We mark their successes at school in a range of ways, including certificates to celebrate children who are demonstrating our Paxcroft Citizen and Learning Values, the 'Book of Brilliance' for excellent individual pieces of work, our Citizen Value cups, house points and class rewards that are earned collectively over the term and rewarded with a class treat.

If your child has achieved something special outside school, we would love to celebrate those achievements too. Please send details FAO Mrs Aland to admin@paxcroft.wilts.sch.uk and we will endeavour to add to the Paxcroft Post

Diary dates for Autumn Term 2023

Wednesday 18th October	Last Day Of Term 1
Monday 30th October	First day of Term 2
Monday 30th October	Mill on the Brue Parents Meeting
Monday 6th November	Falcon and Osprey Parents Evening
W/C Monday 6th November	UK Parliament Week
Tuesday 7th November	Y1/2 Outdoor learning day – please send your child with wellies and waterproof coat
Wednesday 8th November	Y3/4 Outdoor learning day – please send your child with wellies and waterproof coat
Wednesday 8th November	RE day
Thursday 9th November	Falcon and Osprey Parents Evening
Thursday 9th November	Y5/6 Outdoor learning day – please send your child with wellies and waterproof coat
Monday 13th November	Individual class portraits
Tuesday 14th November	Open Day Reception 2024 Intake (9.30am)
Wednesday 15th November	Youth Parliament
Wednesday 15th – Friday 17th November	Braeside residential Y4
Friday 17th November	Children in Need fundraiser – school council to lead (details to follow)
W/C Monday 20th November	Anti-bullying week

Wednesday 29th November	Owls class walk to the post box
Friday 8th December	Flu immunisations – information sent
Tuesday 12th December	Owls class nativity – more information to follow
Thursday 14th December	Owls class nativity – more information to follow
Wednesday 20th December	Last day of term 2

Letters & Communications issued this week

Item	To	For
Attendance Letter & Policy	Whole School	Information
Nearly New Uniform Sale	Whole School	Information
Autumn Supermarket vouchers	Selected pupils	Information & Action
Falcon and Osprey Parents Evening	Falcon & Osprey	Information & Action
Forest School – Term 2	Selected pupils	Information & Action
Trowbridge Library – Half Term Activities	Whole School	Information
Spurgeon's Wiltshire Children's Centres – October Activities	Whole School	Information

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Experience the birds of the woodland up close.

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Bird Ringing

9am—11am

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