



*Dear Parents/Carers,*

Thank you for your support on Sports Day last week. I hope your child enjoyed the activities and races, whether competing or cheering on their friends (and you too if you were able to attend!).

After counting up all the points awarded to the School Houses, I can confirm that the overall winners-just! - were Water with 1397 points. Wind narrowly came in second place with 1389 points. Earth came third with 1316 points and Fire came fourth with 1302 points. Congratulations to all the children.

Today the children will be bringing home a letter with details of their teacher/class for the next academic year, together with details of staff in each of the teaching teams. Our first transition day, when the children will spend time with their new class/teacher, will be next Tuesday (1st July). They will have an additional morning session on Thursday (3rd).

A reminder that the Pastoral Support Team are holding a coffee morning next Thursday (3rd July), 8.45am-10am in the school hall. Staff from the Pastoral Support Team will be available and the focus will be developing practical strategies to help support children experiencing anxiety or friendship issues. All are welcome to attend.

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

*Mrs Lou Rhodes*

*Headteacher*

## *Summer Fayre...*

The excitement is building here at Paxcroft for our Summer Fayre which is taking place on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July**. There is lots of organisation going on behind the scenes to ensure the event is enjoyable for everyone.

We would like to remind Year 5/6 children that there is still time to sign up to help on a stall. Please sign up here: [Year 5/6 Fayre sign-up](#)

If there are any parents or carers that can offer an hour of their time on the day itself to help run a stall, we would be really grateful; please just pop into the school office or send an email for more information.



## Outside Achievements...



Congratulations to Joshua who received the Golden Glove Trophy at his football team's presentation recently. He has had a great year in goal making some great saves. Well done, Joshua!

A very well done to Sophie who has gained her level 6 Gymnastics award. She is enjoying learning new skills and having lots of fun. Keep up the good work, Sophie.



Congratulations to Gabriel who joined the Westbury Wheelers relay team for the Crudwell 24hr cycle event. Each team had to complete as many 7-mile laps as they could in in 24 hrs. Gabriel completed 2 laps and the Westbury Wheelers were the winners with a total of 62 laps. Well done, Gabriel.

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](mailto:admin@paxcroft.wilts.sch.uk) and we will endeavour to add to the Paxcroft Post.

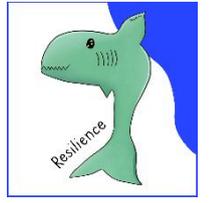
## Celebrations...

Class	Citizen Values	Learners' Values
Owls	Margo B - All values	Margo B - All values Maisy L - Independence
Woodpecker	Jasper E - Respect Emilia N - Respect	
Kingfisher		Jakub L - Respect Elliot R - Respect
Nightingale		Logan D - Independence Raheem B - Independence
Swift		April S - Positivity & Resilience George G - Independence & Positivity
Housemartin	Evan J - All values Poppy T-G - Kindness	



Skylark

Frankie J - Independence  
Brooke - Resilience



Osprey

Eleanor W - All values  
Isabelle M - All values

Falcon

Elsbeth H - kindness

Joe B - Positivity



Kestrel

Mollie A - All values

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Gabriel WN - Resilience



*Paxcroft Citizen Cups*

Brooke N – All values  
Olivia M – All values

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



Congratulations to Isabella T, Archie H, Isla L and Evie S who have all been recognised this week for being polite and respectful at lunchtime. Well done for demonstrating our Paxcroft Citizen Values.



## Times Tables Rockstars Leaderboard...

A reminder that Year 1 and 2 will be placed on the leaderboard through most correct answers in their Garage mode rather than studio speed. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be placed based on their studio speed recorded within the past 7 days. We will also be celebrating children in assembly, for the top three, most minutes played in each year group.

We recommend that all children play TTRS in Garage mode for at least 3 minutes a day and then free play as much as they like in Studio or any of the other modes. This enables the algorithm to register which times tables that the children need to practice.

Congratulations to everyone who has made it into the top three on the leaderboard this week 😊

Miss Beaven

	Y6	Y5	Y4	Y3	Y2	Y1
	Kiera R	Gabriel W-N	Terrell S	Meia C	Olaf R	Max D
	Ted M	Isabelle M	George G	Arabella J	Thea H	Reuben F
		Darcey P	Oliver K	Frankie J	Ryan T	Ally Mc

	School Staff	Class
	Miss Smith	Swift
	Mrs Sager	Housemartin
	Miss Granger	Skylark

## Our Learning this week...

### Owls

Owls have started exploring a new book in Literacy this term. 'Surprising Sharks' by Nicola Davies is packed full of fun shark facts so we have been researching sharks in class. We have made peg sharks that have a real bite, labelled parts of a shark and have shared all the brilliant facts that we know about them. In Maths we have been exploring measure. We took a measuring wheel to the field – did you know the track around our field is 187m? We have talked about all the different things that can be measured and the equipment we can use to measure them. We have experimented with scaled in our outdoor area and measured ourselves with counting blocks.

### Woodpecker, Kingfisher & Nightingale

What a brilliant week KS1 have had. On Monday, we enjoyed an art-themed outdoor learning day, where the children got wonderfully messy and creative with paints. They explored colour mixing, learning how to combine primary colours to create secondary colours. Next, they became "texture detectives" by hunting around the school for objects with

different textures to experiment with in their artwork. Using their knowledge of colour and texture, the children then created beautiful seaside paintings. In Maths, the children continued their exploration of money. They practised selecting the correct coins and notes to make a given amount and challenged themselves to find different ways to make the same amount. In English, we delved into the world of poetry. The children learnt some of the key features of a poem and worked in groups to create their own, inspired by Mini Rabbit's journey in *Mini Rabbit Not Lost*. They also used their understanding of the story so far to make predictions about what might happen next.

### *Skylark, Housemartin & Swift*

This has been another busy week in Year 3/4. The children have been doing lots of research into different birds and using that information to create fact files. They have enjoyed finding out different and interesting facts – maybe they can tell you some? In Maths we have come to the end of the unit on decimals with the children dividing numbers by 10 and 100. We will now be moving on to a unit on money.

In History, the children have written a diary entry imagining they were Howard Carter on the day he discovered Tutankhamun's tomb. The Year 4 children had a lovely time on Monday learning new skills with Bath Rugby. This will take place every Monday now until the end of term, so please ensure the children have their PE kits in school.

### *Osprey, Falcon & Kestrel*

This has been another really busy week in Year 5/6. As it is the Women's Euros this summer, Year 5/6 girls are being given some additional P.E. Football training sessions to encourage them to want to take up Football. From initial reluctance, all the girls are now very keen on the sessions. Also, all the Year 5s have had Bath Rugby coaches in to deliver rugby skills. The sessions have been really good and the coaches have been brilliant at motivating and skilling up the children.

In English, Year 6 have been working on retelling a suspense story - Alma, when the year 5s were out at a taster day at John of Gaunt. We have also been working on creating a script for a scene from Macbeth. We have also been rehearsing our play and practising the songs. In other learning we have been investigating Greek gods.

A question from the team...Does anyone have a selfie stick and a West Ham Football Top they could kindly lend us for our 5/6 Production please.

Year 5/6 team.

#### Diary dates from January 2025

<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Move up day – more information to follow
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Y6 Transition Day to Clarendon, John of Gaunt and St Augustine's
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Reception 2025 3 <sup>rd</sup> transition session, 9.15 – 10.45am
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Year 5/6 Active Trowbridge Girls Football
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Y5 Taster Day to Clarendon
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	Y6 Induction Day – St Laurence School
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	Move up transition morning – more information follow

<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	Paxcroft Team Coffee Morning – Anxiety & Friendships
<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	PSA Summer Fayre, 11am – 3pm
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 4/5 Bath Rugby Partnership
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Girls Football Festival at John of Gaunt School
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 4/5 Bath Rugby partnership
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Multi Sports Day 1
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Multi Sports Day 2
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	PSA Meeting, 6pm
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y6 Induction Day – St Laurence School
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 4/5 Maths Workshop – John of Gaunt
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 3/4 Outdoor Learning Day (rescheduled date)
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	End of Year Reports
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 4/5 Bath Rugby Partnership
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 5/6 End of Year Production, 6pm
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 5/6 End of Year Production, 1.45pm
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 5/6 End of Year Production, 6pm
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y6 swimming – last session
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	KS1 Trip to Steam Museum
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 5/6 Outdoor Learning Day
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Y6 Leavers Assembly, 9am - 10am
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Year 4/5 bath Rugby Partnership
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Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Y6 Leavers BBQ, 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of Term 6

*Letters & Communications issued this week*

Item	To	For
September Transition	Year 3 & 4	Information
Football Cancellation	Y2	Information
September Dinner Menu	Whole School	Information & Action
Reminder – Non School Uniform Friday	Whole School	Information
Supermarket Uniform Sale	Whole School	Information
SEND Transition	Selected Pupils	Information
Nearly New Uniform Sale	Whole School	Information
Y5 Taster Day at JOG	Year 5	Information
PE Required Tomorrow	Selected Pupils	Information



**Clarendon Academy**  
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*Will you be applying for Secondary Schools later this year?*

We invite parents and students to all of our upcoming events. See our website for details.

*Summer School* Mon 18<sup>th</sup> – Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug

*Open Evening* Visit our wonderful school and meet teachers  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Sep 4:30 - 7

*Open Morning* Visit us on a quiet weekend morning  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Sep 9:30-12

*Tour the School* With a member of the senior team  
Week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> June  
And see us in action And week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> July

9am onwards  
Phone 01225785210  
Or scan the code or visit our website



Join   
**wildlife watch** Green Lane Woods

Wiltshire Wildlife Trusts 

Fun wildlife activities every month for all primary-school aged children and accompanying adults.

**Saturday 21st June**  
10am - 12pm  
*(The third Saturday of every month)*

**Pollinators** 

Suggested Donation: £2.50 per child, adults free

To find out more and book, email:  
[glwildlifewatch@wiltshirerwildlife.org](mailto:glwildlifewatch@wiltshirerwildlife.org)



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