



## Dear Parents/Carers

Another busy (and at times, very hot!) week for us at Paxcroft. I just wanted to say thank you to parents and carers for their participation in last week's Sports Day and all of the feedback we have had on it - this is always very much appreciated by staff after the hard work of organising!

Year 5 have had their first taster day at Clarendon, this week, and we were really impressed with the behaviour and attitudes of our young people. I am sure that they are all looking forward to their second taster day at John of Gaunt on Monday. I am also sure that all of our children are looking forward to next Tuesday, which will be the first of our move up days where children join their class and teacher for next year!

A reminder that, today, children will be coming home with their class allocation for next academic year. We know that transition can be both an exciting and tricky time for the children. As we have shared previously, there are lots of elements that are carefully balanced during class allocation and so we are not able to consider child or parental preference for teachers or classes. I would ask parents to support the children in being positive in their outlook about their classes for next year.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable weekend!

Best wishes

Mr Alex George  
Deputy Headteacher

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



Congratulations to JJ C, Niko N, Seren A and Daisy Mc M who have all been recognised this week for being polite and respectful at lunchtime. Well done for demonstrating our Paxcroft Citizen Values.



## Outside Achievements...



Congratulations to Lauren and Ryan who both regraded recently at martial arts. Lauren gained a yellow belt and Ryan a yellow and white stripe. Well done to both of you.



Huge Congratulations to Araminta, who got her brown belt with a white stripe. She is now one away from the juniors class. Well done.



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

## Our Learning this week...

### Owls

This week in Literacy, we have been learning all about sharks! We have been looking at non-fiction texts to help us find out the information. We then wrote our own fact files on a shark. In Maths, we have been learning to recognise and name 3D shapes. We have also continued with our seaside-themed learning by making bubble painted pictures as a sea background for our hand printed fishes. In PSHE, we have been reading the text 'Bright Stanley Double Trouble' and we talked about the importance of not following others behaviours.

### Woodpecker, Kingfisher & Nightingale

KS1 students are still buzzing from the excitement of Sports Day, where they participated in a variety of activities. This week, they have remained as busy as ever. In Maths, they have been exploring position and direction. In Geography, they have been learning about famous landmarks in Paris in anticipation of the summer Olympics, comparing them to landmarks in London. In Science, KS1 continues their investigation into what plants need to grow big and healthy.

### Skylark, Housemartin & Swift

What a warm week it has been! Please keep reminding your children to bring their sunhats to school. In English, the children have started their new unit on writing persuasive letters whilst in Maths we are continuing our Shape, Angles and Lines learning. In Science, we have been investigating tones and pitch as well as making our very own panpipes out of plastic straws. The Year 4s are enjoying the visits from a Bath Rugby coach on Tuesday mornings but please remember they must have their PE kits for this. Next week the Bath Rugby will be on Wednesday morning.

### Kestrel, Falcon & Osprey

This week Year 5 enjoyed a secondary school taster day and had a great time doing dodgeball, lighting a jelly baby on fire and making a cous cous salad!

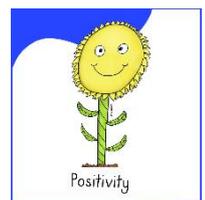
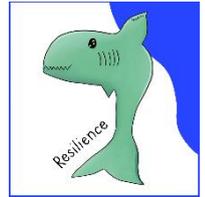
Year 6 have been continuing with their swimming and have been yet again praised by the instructors on their resilience and positivity. Well done everyone!

In English, we have begun learning about Myths and Legends with the children recreating the tale of Pandora's Box. In Maths, Year 5 have been recapping their fractions, focusing on multiplying fractions by an integer. Whereas Year 6 have continued with their Theme Park Math's project, looking at the start-up costs and budgeting for their theme park. In Topic, the children have continued learning about the Victorians, including their inventions. Did you know they invented; ice cream in a pot, cameras and flushing toilets?

## Celebrations



Class	Citizen Values	Learners' Values
Owls	Ralph C - Kindness, Respect & Honesty	Albi D - Independence
Woodpecker	Iyla-Grace B - Kindness & Respect	Caleb W - Positivity
Kingfisher	Lincoln C - Respect	Miroslav F - Respect
Nightingale		Esme T - Positivity Isabelle N - Independence
Swift		Darcie C - Positivity Aubree C - Independence & Positivity
Housemartin		Alfie D - Positivity Layla R - Positivity
Skylark	Alice B - Kindness	Lily W - Positivity
Osprey	Aliyssia T - Respect	Wyatt B - Positivity
Falcon	Lottie W - Respect Ted M - Respect	
Kestrel	Tommy Y - All Values	Starla B - Resilience



## Paxcroft Citizen Cups



**Charlie L – All Values**

**Elijah N – All Values**



## *Diary dates for Summer Terms 2024*

<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Move up day
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	New Reception induction visits
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Transition support meetings for pupils with SEND
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Y5 Taster day to John of Gaunt
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Move up day
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	New Reception induction visits
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Transition support meetings for pupils with SEND
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Move up day 2
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Multi Sports day - Reception and Y3/4
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Multi Sports day - Y1/2 and Y5/6
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Bath Rugby Training Session Y4/5
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y1/2 University of Bath Visit
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Reports out to parents
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Bath Rugby Training Session Y4/5
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y5/6 Performance
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y5/6 Performance
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y5/6 Performance
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Y6 Leavers' Assembly
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Y6 Leavers' Party
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	Bath Rugby Training Session Y4/5
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Last Day of Term 6

## *Letters & Communications issued this week*

<b>Item</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>For</b>
End Of Day Collection Arrangements - Owls	Owls	Information
Y5/6 Production	Y5/6	Information & Action
Braeside	Y4	Information & Action
Parent helpers for Bath University trip		Information