



Dear Parents/Carers

Another busy week at Paxcroft. We've had some mixed weather for Multi-Sports sessions though I was full of admiration for our Y5/6 children's resilience as they carried on with their activities in the rain. Preparations are in full swing for the Year 5/6 performance and I've seen the children looking quietly confident as more and more of those theatrical accoutrements (full sound, costume, lights) have started to make their way into rehearsals. The children have worked really hard and, I'm sure, are looking forward to their performances next week!

Just a reminder that end of year reports are being emailed out today, along with a cover letter that will come via ParentMail. Please do let us know at the school office if there has been any issue accessing reports and we will resolve this for you on Monday.

Have a fantastic weekend!

Mr Alex George

Deputy Headteacher

New National Framework for Attendance and Penalty Notices...

The Department for Education (DfE) has introduced new guidance for schools and local councils for managing school attendance. They have also introduced a new national framework for penalty notices (fines) and amended the law. These changes come into effect from the 19th August 2024 and all schools and councils across the country will be expected to follow the new statutory guidance.

A letter was sent out by ParentMail earlier today and copies of the new framework will be on display around school for your reference.



Outside Achievements...



Huge congratulations to Ezra who completed a 10 mile walk and raised £350 for WWF recently. A fantastic achievement! 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 and we will endeavour to add to the Paxcroft Post

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



Congratulations to Logan Jayden - Daniel H, Nashe N and Izzabella S who have all been recognised this week for being polite and respectful at lunchtime. Well done for demonstrating our Paxcroft Citizen Values.



Our Learning this week...

Owls

This week in Owls, we kicked the week off with a multi-sports morning with Active Trowbridge. The children really enjoyed turn-taking and working as a team. We have had a focus on maths this week in Owls, and have been creating our own number bonds to ten using the Numicon. We have made Numicon Cities using the resources. In literacy, we've been focusing on creating lists using the book the Lighthouse Keepers Lunch for inspiration, designing our own lunch's for our lunchbox and then creating a list. Well done Owls.

Woodpecker, Kingfisher & Nightingale

Year 1/2 have had an incredibly busy and active week. On Tuesday morning, KS1 enjoyed a multi-sports day where they played dodgeball, handball and cricket. As part of our Olympic topic this term, we went on a school trip to the University of Bath this week! The children took part in lots of different sports activities and developed their ball skills and hand-eye coordination. The children were shown around some of the sports facilities and they were all very impressed with the huge 50m swimming pool! In English, we have been learning about the key features of a recount and the children wrote their own recounts all about their trip to the University. Thank you again to all of the parent helpers, who helped make it a fun and exciting day for the children. We really appreciated your support.

Skylark, Housemartin & Swift

This week in Year 3/4, we have written our persuasive letters in English. These were closely linked to our topic learning and saw the children trying to persuade the Witan to consider them as the rightful claimant to the throne. I think we have plenty of future Kings and Queens of England on our hands. In addition to our English, we have deepened our knowledge of 1066 in our topic learning and started learning about the feudal system and Domesday book. In Maths, the children have been either learning about coordinates or 2D and 3D shapes. Some children made shapes out of sticks and wool to support their learning. We had a great time on our multi-sports day on Monday and playing rugby on Wednesday. We cannot believe next week is our last full week of term!

Kestrel, Falcon & Osprey

This week in Year 5/6, we have begun to plan writing our Myth on our own made up creature. We are looking forward to reading these and seeing how creative our Year 5/6's can be! In Maths, we have been continuing to revise fractions and ratios with our Year 5's impressing us with their growing resilience. Year 6's have been working in budgeting for their theme park and looking at how to best advertise it. Year 6's were assessed in swimming and were once again praised for their respectful behaviour. Well done, Year 6! We also want to say congratulations to the Year 6's for working hard on their SATs! The children have been working really hard on our school play, showing us their fantastic singing and acting skills. Our first dress rehearsal was a success and we cannot wait for you to come and see it next week!

A reminder, please ensure their costume of a plain black t-shirt and black trousers (or leggings) in a named bag are brought in on MONDAY.

Paxcroft Pantry...

The Pastoral Team would like to remind all parents that the Paxcroft Pantry is open every day, Monday – Friday between 8.35am and 5.30pm. It is located at the bottom of the ramp by the slow playground.

Parents are welcome to access the Pantry anonymously and do not need to ask a member of staff.

This resource is available to all families that need it; we ask that families donate when they can, and take when they need.

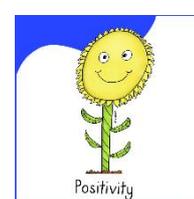
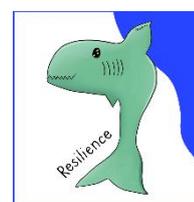
Any donations of dry goods including boxed, tinned or jarred goods are greatly appreciated. These can be placed directly in the cupboard or handed to the School Office. We would like to take this opportunity to once again thank all families that have donated to the Pantry.



Celebrations



Class	Citizen Values	Learners' Values
Owls		Pippa F - All Values Miles A - All vales
Woodpecker	Arabella J - Respect	Hamish L - positivity
Kingfisher		Hanna K - Positivity Tenayah J - Positivity and Resilience
Nightingale	Jude E - Kindness	Maja K - Positivity
Swift		Jake C - Positivity & Independence Arthur C - Positivity & Independence
Housemartin	Hunter D - Kindness	Theo B - Positivity
Skylark		Seth I - Resilience Lilly M - Resilience
Osprey	Billy N - Resilience	Sophie M - Kindness & Respect
Falcon		Lucy T - All Values Elspeth H - All Values
Kestrel	Jacob P - All Values	Lawrence F - Independence



Paxcroft Citizen Cups



Teddy C – All Values

Adriana S – All Values



Diary dates for Summer Terms 2024

Tuesday 16th July	Bath Rugby Training Session Y4/5
Tuesday 16th July	Y5/6 Performance
Wednesday 17th July	Y5/6 Performance
Thursday 18th July	Y5/6 Performance
Monday 22nd July	Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Monday 22nd July	Y6 Leavers' Party
Tuesday 23rd July	Bath Rugby Training Session Y4/5
Wednesday 24th July	Last Day of Term 6

Diary dates for September 2024

Monday 2nd September	TD Day
Tuesday 3rd September	TD Day
Wednesday 4th September	First day of Term 1
Monday 9th September	Y1/2 Meet the teacher
Wednesday 11th September	Y3/4 Meet the teacher
Thursday 12th September	Y5/6 Meet the teacher

Letters & Communications issued this week

Item	To	For
Bath Uni Trip – Packed Lunch Needed	Selected	Information
Dance Festival Order Form	Selected	Information & Action
School Meals	Whole School	Information
September Dinner Menu	Whole School	Information & Action
Costumes For Y5/6 Production	Y5/6	Information & Action
Ticket Payment	Y5/6	Information & Action

Breakfast and After School Club Bookings Open	Whole School	Information & Action
Lunch Menu Reminder	Whole School	Information & Action
Gymnastics	Selected	Information
Re-Energise Club	Selected	Information
Changes to School attendance and penalty notices	Whole School	Information
Resources request	Y3/4	Information
Active Trowbridge Football Club	Selected	Information