



Dear Parents/Carers,

A fantastic week, with lots of opportunities for learning and celebration. The Owls have had their first school trip, out to the post box to post their letters to Father Christmas. They have also been practising lots for their Nativity next week, and I've been very lucky to have a sneak preview with Mrs Rhodes on an afternoon that she has been visiting school.

Just a reminder that next week, as well as the Nativity, we have Bikeability for some of our Y6s and the Xmas Fayre on Saturday 14th December. I'm sure that that PSA would still love to have any volunteers who could help out with a little bit of time at the weekend.

Have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes,

Mr Alex George
Acting Headteacher

Clubs.....

Places have now been allocated for clubs. These will be added to Scopay on Monday in readiness to receive payments. Alternatively you can pay cash to the school office.

Please note, there are still some spaces for Re Energise Club, for Term 3 and 4. Should you wish your child to take part, please notify us by sending an email into the school office admin@paxcroft.wilts.sch.uk

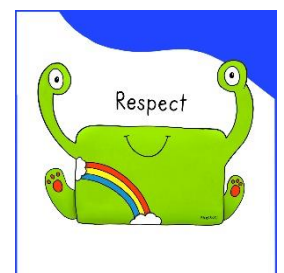
Outside Achievements..

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 Arabella G, Arthur K, Seren A and Josh B 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

We have had such a busy week here in Owls Class! Our rehearsals for the nativity are well under way and we couldn't be prouder of the children and how they have taken to their roles, learned their lines and the songs. We are so excited to share it with you all. In Maths we have been subitising 5 and we have learned the three golden rules of counting with the Number blocks. We have shared lots of Christmas stories and most importantly, we have written and sent our letters to Santa. The children walked to the post box on Wednesday. Thank you to our parent helpers. We hope the letters arrive safely.



Woodpecker, Kingfisher & Nightingale

KS1 have had another jam-packed week! In English this week, the children learnt all about Sir David Attenborough and wrote a biography about him. They then edited their work to make it even better and then published their writing. In Maths, they have been subtracting numbers to 20 by finding the difference. In Science, the children learnt about creating healthy habits to stay clean and germ free. They also found out how to stop the spread of germs.

Skylark, Housemartin & Swift

In Maths, we have come to the end of our unit: adding and subtracting up to 4-digit numbers. Please continue to practise the times tables with your children and look out for them on Purple Mash next week. In English, we have been continuing to develop our understanding of the different characters in our Accidental Trouble Magnet class book. We have written a collaborative poem and newspaper report about the main characters getting lost in London. In Geography we have been looking at atlases to locate place names with 'mouth' at the end of them as well as writing a fact file about the River Avon. In Science we have had a competition to melt blocks of ice to see which method was the most effective.

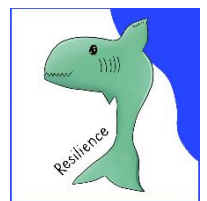
Osprey, Falcon & Kestrel

This week in Year 5/6 in Maths, we have been learning formal methods for division. We have practiced both short and long division and have started solving multi-step word problems. We have finished reading 'The Promise' and have written in role as the main protagonist who transforms her city by rewilding it. We are planning to write the sequel of the story over the next week before going on to create our own picture books in the style of 'The Promise'. In our History learning, we have considered the contributions significant individuals have made throughout World War 2.

Celebrations...



Class	Citizen Values	Learners' Values
Owls	Izabella M – Kindness, Honesty & Respect	Tamas K – Independence in his writing
Woodpecker		Miroslav F – Independence Florence T – Resilience
Kingfisher		Jakub L – Respect & Kindness Heidi C – Independence
Nightingale		Corey C – Independence Maya M – Independence
Swift		Ireoluwa O – Positivity Kasey D – Positivity
Housemartin	Elijah M – All Values Hunter D – All Values	



<i>Skylark</i>	Tenayah J – Kindness	Jai M – Resilience
<i>Osprey</i>	Edward K – Respect	Patryk S – Independence & Resilience
<i>Falcon</i>	Joe B – Kindness	Filip L – Resilience
<i>Kestrel</i>	Elijah N – Honesty	Eli C – Resilience



Diary dates from December 2024

Monday 9th & Tuesday 10th December	Bikeability Group 1
Tuesday 10th December	Reception Nativity Performance – 1.45pm (More information to follow)
Wednesday 11th December	Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th December	Bikeability Group 2
Thursday 12th December	Reception Nativity Performance – 5pm (More information to follow)
Saturday 14th December	PSA Christmas Fayre (10 – 2pm)
Tuesday 17th December	KS1 Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 17th December	Reception & KS1 Christmas Party
Wednesday 18th December	KS2 Christmas Lunch
Thursday 19th December	Carols on the playground (2.45pm)
Friday 20th December	Last day of term 2
Monday 27th January	Online Safety Parent Workshop
Tuesday 4th February	Parents Evening 1 – more information to follow
Thursday 6th February	Parents Evening 2 – more information to follow

Tuesday 11th February	Year 1 and 2 performance – Evening Performance (details tbc)
Wednesday 12th February	KS2 Dance Festival (details tbc)
Thursday 13th February	Year 1 and 2 Performance – Evening Performance (details tbc)

Letters & Communications issued this week

Item	To	For
Father Christmas is coming to Paxcroft	Whole School	Information & Action
Flu Vaccination – Final Reminder	Whole School	Information & Action
Festive Family Events at The Civic Trowbridge	Whole School	Information
Christmas Jumper Sale	Whole School	Information & Action
Nativity Tickets	Reception Pupils	Information & Action
Nativity Costume	Reception Pupils	Information & Action
Club Place Allocation	Individual Pupils	Information & Action
Bikeability Starts Monday	Year 6	Information & Action
Nativity Tickets	Reception	Information & Action



PAXCROFT
School Association

2024/2025
Meeting dates for your diary

Wed 25th September	Mon 17th March
Mon 21st October	Mon 28th April
Wed 20th November	Wed 21st May
Mon 27th January	Wed 18th June
Wed 26th February	Mon 7th July

All meetings start at 6pm at Paxcroft School

Every Parent, Carer and Staff of Paxcroft Primary welcome
Come along and find out how you can support



CHRISTMAS
Fayre

Please email paxcroftpsa@gmail.com if you would like to hold a stall or can spare some time to help.

14 DEC | FREE ENTRY | 10AM-2PM

Paxcroft Primary School, Ashton Street

