



Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy week, with lots of fundraising and community spirit! Thank you to all the adults from the PSA and the school staff who supported our PSA Disco on Thursday - we had lots of happy children through the door and lots of money raised for the school.

Also raising money this week has been our school efforts for Red Nose Day and Comic Relief. Well done to the children in the school council who have worked really hard advertising and collecting for the event, and to everyone who donated a cake for the cake sale, to anyone who donated for any of our activities, and a special thank you to all the staff who joined in the face painting activity this afternoon (photos not shared to save teacher dignity!). We will share the final total next week, but at the time of writing we had already raised well over £450, a fantastic effort.

And finally, a thank you to Mrs Flenley, Mrs Williams and their Y5 volunteers who took part in a community litter pick today within the school and local area. It is really important that we all learn to look after our environment and our community, and I think this shows a fantastic attitude we should all emulate.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and will see you next week!

Best wishes,

Mr Alex George
Acting Headteacher

Car Parking.....

Please may we respectfully remind you that Silverwood School car park is not to be used by Paxcroft parents and carers. It is also really important to keep all exits clear in and around both schools at all times. Thank you for helping us to keep the children safe.



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



Congratulations to Noah F, Jaycee C, Charlie L and Alice A 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 Leader board...

Congratulations to everyone who has made it into the top three on the leaderboard this week. Remember, you need to complete individual studio sessions ten times for your average speed to be recorded. For Year 2 students, the leaderboard will be assessed by how many questions a child has answered correctly, rather than their speed. The class leaderboard will be measured by the percentage of active participants from each class.

A huge shoutout to Gabriel W-N for topping his leaderboard and to Sienna P for making her way onto the leaderboard!



Keep trying everyone!
Miss Beaven

	Y6	Y5	Y4	Y3	Y2	Teachers	Class
	Shai A	Gabriel WN	Terrell S	Dexter H	Szymon J	Miss Smith	Osprey
	Kiera R	Jake C	George G	Frankie J	Jakub L	Mrs Sager	Skylark
	Holly C	Sienna P	Oliver K	Laylen B	Ryan T	Miss Granger	Kestrel

Outside Achievements...

Congratulations to Ted, who was first in an Indoor Archery Competition recently. This was Ted's first ever Archery competition. He's been shooting just less than a year. Well done, Ted!



Congratulations to Corey, he has passed his swimming Level 2 and will now move on to level 3 where he will take on his 10-metre badge! Keep up the good work, Corey!



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.

Our Learning this week...

Owls

We started this week by reading the traditional tale 'Little Red Riding Hood'. We used this story to think about stranger danger and how Little Red should not have spoken to the wolf. We spoke about how if we are lost, we could go to a safer stranger (someone who is in a uniform and has a badge) or a safer building (like a supermarket or police station). In Literacy, we have continued learning about Goldfish. We learnt that goldfish can only remember things up to five months. We all found it a bit weird that if we were fish, we wouldn't even remember starting school!

Woodpecker, Kingfisher & Nightingale

It's been another busy week for KS1, filled with lots of exciting learning! In English, KS1 has been focusing on the features of persuasive writing. They've also been acting out persuasive speeches, using motivational quotes as inspiration for their writing. In Maths, KS1 has wrapped up addition and subtraction within 100 and have started exploring multiplication, focusing on 2s, 5s, and 10s. In Science, the children have continued studying the seasons, with a particular focus on winter this week. In History, KS1 have been learning about Isambard Kingdom Brunel and his most famous designs beyond the local area. This week, they focused on Paddington Station, the SS Great Britain, and the Great Western Railway.

Skylark, Housemartin & Swift

This week has been very busy for Year 3/4! We have been focusing on fractions in Maths and the children are enjoying making different models through drawing cakes or pizzas! In English we are still working on our book 'Into the Forest'. The children had fun spotting different fairy tale features on a page in our book! Rehearsals are in full swing and we are very excited to be able to show off what is shaping up to be a brilliant show! The Year 3's have also completed a walk safe course, meaning they have been taught how to walk safely on different types of road! Keep up practicing with timetables as we are seeing a huge improvement in our number sense scores ready for the multiplication check!

Osprey, Falcon & Kestrel

This has been another busy week in Year 5/6. In English, we have continued to read 'Running on Empty' and are gaining further insights into A.J.'s character and the difficulties that he faces. We have written a poem inspired by the bittersweet memories triggered when A.J. sees the chocolate trainer in the shop (which had been ordered by his late grandfather). We have also drafted and published a leaflet, giving advice on how to deal with anger management. In Maths, we have been exploring the links between decimals, fractions and percentages and have started to find percentages of amounts. In other learning, we have looked at the composition of the U.K - the 4 countries and their capitals. We have also learnt the difference between the U.K and Great Britain and how the U.K is subdivided into counties. We have plotted these on maps.


Diary dates from January 2025

Friday 28th March	Reception Class – National Child Measurement Programme (rescheduled date)
Tuesday 1st April	Year 3/4 Performance, 1.45pm
Thursday 3rd April	Year 3/4 Performance, 5.30pm
Friday 4th April	Last day of term 4
Monday 21st April	Easter Monday Bank Holiday – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 22nd April	First day of Term 5
Monday 28th April	PSA Meeting, 6pm
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed

Thursday 8th May	'Street Party' Themed Lunch – more details to follow
Monday 12th – Thursday 15th May	Y6 SATs week
Tuesday 20th May	Reception – Trip to Bath Farm
Wednesday 21st May	PSA Meeting, 6pm
Friday 23rd May	Last day of Term 5
Monday 2nd June	Teacher Development Day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday 3rd June	First Day of Term 6
Saturday 5th July	PSA Summer Fayre, 11am – 3pm

Letters & Communications issued this week

ITEM	To	For
Error with Scopay – April Dinners	Whole School	Information
Spring Disco – Tickets on Sale: Reminder	Whole School	Information
Mr Benjamin's Football Club – cancelled Mon 17 th March	Selected Pupils	Information
April Dinner Menu	Whole School	Information & Action
Cookery Club – Catch up session & Places	Selected Pupils	Information
Miss Beaven's Football Club	Selected Pupils	Information & Action
Netball Club	Years 3-6	Information
Re energise Club – Spaces Available	Whole School	Information
Red Nose Day 2025	Whole School	Information & Action
Community Litter Pick	Selected Pupils	Information and Action
Disco Tonight!	Whole School	Information
April Dinner Orders: Deadline	Whole School	Information & Action
Y3/4 Costumes	Year 3 and 4	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 20th 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



Easter Holidays
Forest School
Family Fun!

Get ready for **outdoor adventures, nature exploration, and family bonding** with Wiltshire Wildlife Trust's Forest School Family Fun in the Easter holidays!

Our experienced instructors will lead a range of exciting Forest School activities, suitable for all ages. This event is perfect for families looking to unplug, connect with nature, and create lasting memories together.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to have a blast in the great outdoors!

When and Where
Green Lane Wood Trowbridge - Wednesday 9th April
Meet on the green opposite the Coop on the corner of Leap Gate/Huntingfield at **9:45am**. We will then walk around to our nature area for the session.
A compost toilet will be available.

Time: 10am - 12pm

Cost: Child: £5 (under 2s free); Adults: Free

Booking essential - visit: wiltshirewildlife.org/events

