

Friday 9th February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of Term 3 has certainly come around quickly. A huge thank you to all the children for their hard work across the term and to our staff team for their energy, commitment and efforts, in providing the children with the care, guidance and support they need to continue on their journey of personal and academic development.

Walking around school, it is a pleasure to witness the learning behaviours of the children as these are the attitudes and qualities that will help them to thrive, not just in school, but in life. Things like: valuing effort and being positive, showing resilience, collaborating with others, being curious, thinking critically, using their imagination and creativity and communicating effectively. As a school, we place great value on the development of these behaviours because if we get these right, their academic successes will follow.

Last night, the members of Dance Club, from Geraldton and Nelson Class, performed at the West Wiltshire Dance Festival in Bath. Congratulations to the children as their dance was fantastic and they represented the school brilliantly. A big thank you to Miss Last for running Dance Club and preparing the children so well, and to Mrs Chatwin for her support in organising this special event.

A reminder that the whole school are dressing-up as a book character for World Book day this year, on Thursday 7th March. Staff are already planning their costumes and we look forward to seeing all of your creative ideas for this event.

Wiltshire Council have launched a pilot scheme this year called FACT, which stands for Families and Children Transformation Programme. The aim of this is to provide families with practical advice and support in a range of issues; for example, parenting, behaviour management, housing, accessing services and any other areas of family life where support may be required. As part of this programme, FACT practitioners run family help drop in sessions in Warminster library. Please see the attached poster for further details.

The lunch menu for next term is now on Parent Pay. Please make sure you book a lunch for your child(ren) ahead of Term 4, so that they have a hot meal during the first week back. Despite our regular reminders, there are still a number of children who arrive at school expecting a hot meal when no booking has been made for them. If you need any help and support to order a meal, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Yesterday, you would have received your child's, or children's, annual school report(s). We hope that you find the report helpful and informative in providing you with updates on the progress your child is making, with regards to their personal development and their academic achievements, whilst identifying the areas that will help them to continue to make progress. Parent appointments take place early next term and you will be able to book to see your child's class teacher from Monday 19th February on eSchools.

A reminder that school finishes at the usual time today of 3.15pm. We hope that all of our families have a restful half term break and thank you for your continued support of the school.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Adam Lewis
Headteacher

