



Newsletter 12

Friday, 1st December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your families well.

Spotlight on the Curriculum: Music – Y5 & Y6 School Choir – Song for Christmas



On Tuesday we received a special visit from Andy Munns at Salisbury Radio. He recorded the children singing 'Walking in the Air' and he was very impressed with the wonderful standard of their singing. This will be broadcast on Salisbury Radio on Tue 12th December at 8.20 am and again at 3.20 pm during the station's Song for Christmas item. Many thanks to Mrs Lamb (Head of Music at Salisbury School) for giving up her valuable time to lead the Woodlands Choir.

Spotlight on the Curriculum – SEN / Inclusion - Miss Turnbull and Mrs Hollands need your help!

What does Inclusion mean to you?

We would like to hear and include everybody's voice in our school vision of inclusion.



There will be a drop off box in the main reception for any comments, pictures or personal experiences that you would like to share.

We will be re-designing our school SEND policy with a focus on pupil and community voice over the next term.

We would love to hear from you 😊

Health & Safety – Dogs on the school playground

Please can I remind all parents that no dogs should be brought onto the school playground at any time (this includes small dogs and puppies).

Health & Safety – Adverse Weather Policy

It is the policy of the school to make every effort to remain open whenever possible.

The decision to close the school either before or during the school day will be made by the Headteacher (or, in absence of the Headteacher, the Deputy Headteacher). The school will only be closed if one or more of the following conditions apply:

1. Insufficient staff are able to come in to keep the school running safely;
2. Conditions on site are dangerous;
3. Conditions are considered to be, or are anticipated to later become, too hazardous for travel.

If the school is to close then all parents will be informed via email and text message. In addition to this Salisbury Radio (found on the internet and DAB) will also broadcast details.

I am also emailing a copy of the Adverse Weather Policy which gives detailed guidance on areas that will be gritted in the event of ice and snow on the school playground.

End of Term Dates & the Start of Term 3 2024

Final Day of Term 2	Wednesday 20 th December	1.00pm finish (after lunch)
TD Days	Thursday 4 th January & Friday 5 th January	School Closed
Start of Term 3	Monday 8 th January	

Today, **Green Team** won the trophy for achieving the most Team Points and they had an extra playtime this afternoon. Very well done.

Team Points Cup				
Date: 01.12.23				
	Green	Yellow	Red	Blue
Y1	3	1	2	4
Y2	2.5	1	2.5	4
Y3	4	2	2	2
Y4	3	1	2	4
Y5	4	2	3	1
Y6	2	4	3	1
	18.5	11	14.5	16



Headteachers' Awards

Today, we celebrated: **Archie** and **Abigail** (Acorn Class); **Alfie** and **Abby** (Y1); **Aaliyah** and **Jacob** (Y2); **Hazel** and **Darcie-Mae** (Y3); **Alexander** and **Alisha** (Y4); **Alice** and **Safen** (Y5); **James, Keanu** and **Tommy** (Y6).

Huge congratulations to these children who have displayed **Resilience** during this week and are role-models for us all.

Kindness, Community, Respect and **Aspiration** form our other core Values.

Safeguarding – Online Safety

As part of our commitment to help you keep your child(ren) safe online please look under the Safeguarding tab in our Online Safety section.

<https://woodlands.wilts.sch.uk/safeguarding/online-safety/>

Please click here for the latest **Online Safety Newsletter – November 2023** -> [Woodlands Primary School and Oak Tree Nursery](#). This month's edition includes information on how to stay safe on the Playstation, Roblox & WhatsApp's editing feature.

Class Attendance Cup – every week we have a competition that celebrates the class with the highest attendance. Congratulations to **Beech Class** who are the winners with an attendance of 96%.

Attendance Cup: Week Beg: 24/11/23 - 30/11/23

Beech	96				
Cedar	92.6				
Maple	91.3				
Acorn	90				
Ash	88.7				
Hazel	86.9				
Willow	86.7				

Attendance Matters



Dates for the Diary

KS2 Music Day	Friday 1 st December	All day
Book at Bedtime	Wednesday 6 th December	4.30pm-5.00pm
Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 7 th December	All day
Y5 & Y6 Choir to St Thomas' Church for the Christmas Tree Festival	Friday 8 th December	10.15am
Christmas Discos Acorn Class & Key Stage 1 Key Stage 2	Friday 8 th December	5.00pm-6.00pm (Acorn & KS1) 6.00pm-7.00pm (KS2)
Acorn Class (Reception) Christmas Concert	Tuesday 12 th December	2.00pm Hall
Key Stage 1 Nativity – Ash Class Parents	Wednesday 13 th December	2.00pm Hall
Key Stage 1 Nativity – Cedar Class Parents	Thursday 14 th December	2.00pm Hall
Woodlands Christmas Bazaar	Friday 15 th December	2.00pm Hall
Christmas Parties (a Christmas jumper can be worn on this day)	Monday 18 th December*	pm
Christmas Assembly – Open The Book – Led by Rev Steve Hawkes – all parents welcome	Tuesday 19 th December	9.10am Hall
Christmas Lunch (a Christmas jumper can be worn on this day)	Tuesday 19 th December	Lunchtime
Final Day of Term	Wednesday 20 th December	1.00pm finish
TD Days	Thursday 4 th January & Friday 5 th January	School Closed
Start of Term 3	Monday 8 th January	Gates Open 8.45am
Year 6 Residential – Osmington Bay	Wednesday 20 th – Friday 22 nd March 2024	all day

*This has changed from Tuesday 19th December because the Christmas Lunch is now on that date.

Kind regards,
M Kitley

Matthew Kitley
Headteacher

Song for Christmas

Listen to our Song for Christmas

We're on Salisbury Radio on
Tue 12th December at 8.20 am and again at 3.20 pm

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