

Friday 30th September

Dear Parents/Carers,



Today in our Celebration Collective Worship we celebrated Cameron (Voyagers) for the value of hope, Sabelle (Discoverers) for the value of wisdom, Bobby (Explorers) for the value of wisdom and Grace (Shooting Stars) for the value of koinonia.

Congratulations to them all.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our MacMillan coffee afternoon today. It was lovely to see Mrs Perrin too. We have raised a whopping

£146.63



Reminders

1st Thursday of the month – Pre-loved school uniform for sale in the library
The library is open after school on Tues and Fri.

Important dates for your diary

5th October 2:30pm—Playpod meeting for parents and stay and play—POSTPONED

6th October 9:30am—Harvest Festival in Church

6th October 3:15pm—FOWAS AGM

10th October 3:30pm—Y5/6 Acorn football festival

19th October—TD Day. School closed

31st October - Term 2 begins

1st/2nd November - Parent Consultation Meetings

Attendance

Highest attendance:

Discoverers 99%

Lost learning: 62.5 hours



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News from the classes via our School Parliamentarians:

Shooting Stars: Everyone drew around me to learn about our bodies. We learnt that our heart is very special and our skeleton protects our heart so it keeps beating. In our writing we have been practising writing our names. Rhiannon

Explorers: This week we have learnt more about animals and some different groups of animals. We learnt that people are mammals. In RE we have learnt more about Shabbat and some of the things Jews can and can't do during the celebration. We used Sketchpad again in computing but this week learnt how to add shapes, fill them and make them bigger. Luca and William

Discoverers: In history we are learning about Ancient Egypt and how much they have achieved with Tutankhamun. In music, we are learning a song called Put Your Gum Boots On and it is a special South African traditional song. In English, we are learning Cinderella of the Nile to help her escape from the island of Samos. James

Voyagers: In maths, Year 5 rounded numbers and Year 6 looked into common multiples and factors. In English, we wrote a setting description and planned a guide to killing monsters based on Beowulf. In science, we looked at reversible and irreversible changes as part of our topic on materials. In computing, we did coding and coded an algorithm on a website for a Mario character. Thalia and Abigail

Next week is our Harvest Festival and I hope that many of you can join us at Church on Thursday. We are collecting for Storehouse Foodbank Trowbridge. If you would like to donate, they are some suggestions below and they can be brought to Church on Thursday or school from Monday.

Tins	Packet	Toiletries
Baked beans, spaghetti, potatoes, peas, sweetcorn, carrots, pies, meatballs, hotdogs, macaroni cheese, stew, curry, tuna, soup, spam, fruit, rice pudding.	Pasta (large & small bags), rice, soya mince (bolognaise sauce), casserole mix, cereal, cereal bars, biscuits, angel delight, custard, half baked bread, tea, coffee, squash, long life milk, sugar.	Toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, deodorant, sanitary towels, wipes.
Household items	Instant	
Washing up liquid, antibacterial spray, cloths, toilet rolls.	Packet sauces (cheese/add water), pasta bake, pot noodle, pot rice, pasta snacks, cuppa soup.	

Best wishes,

Alex Blake-Thwaite

SEND News – Term 1 2022



Hello everyone, Welcome back to the new school year. I hope that you and your families are settling back into the rhythm of school. Everyone reacts differently to this. Some settle well for the first couple of weeks then to have a couple of blips and need some support to get back into the swing of things. Others have needed more preparation from day 1. Transitions are so key. Please find below our stages of support for SEND in Acorn Education Trust schools. Never hesitate to contact your child's tutor, teacher or SENCO if you would like some further advice. Wishing you and your child all the best for the year ahead.

Sue Fulbrook (Head of SEND)

Acorn's Graduated Response to SEND

ASSESS, PLAN, DO, REVIEW – what do we do?

- 1) ALL learners tracked through the school's assessment system and half-termly meetings take place to discuss the progress of all. Here, a child may be flagged as possibly needing additional input. At this stage, children may be accessing reasonable adjustments in class, their learning may need scaffolding to support or they need some pastoral care. The responsibility for a child's progress always lies with their teacher. Children should be accessing high-quality teaching in the classroom to help plug any gaps and continue progress.
- 2) Teacher may identify a gap in learning. Methods such as pre-teach or a booster intervention may take place.
- 3) If a child continues to make slow or little progress, a teacher may complete a SEND concerns form or contact the SENCO for advice.
- 4) Further assessment may take place depending on the need, perhaps an observation, a reading assessment or similar.
- 5) Depending on the outcome of assessments, a plan may be developed to support the child and the cycle of assess, plan, do, review continues. We call this an Acorn SEND Passport or, in secondary schools, a Learner Profile. This plan is monitored by the class teacher at primary and by a member of the SEND team at secondary. Provision here might consist of a lot of provision at wave 1 (universal offer) or 2 (short term targeted support) or some provision at wave 3 (enhanced targeted support).
- 6) Should a child make satisfactory progress, the plan will be ended and the child continue to be monitored as at point 1. This should be celebrated as it means that the child has progressed and worked hard.
- 7) Should a child continue to require additional and different support from wave 1, they may be kept on a Passport or Learner Profile. Advice may be sought from external agencies if progress is unsatisfactory.
- 8) If during the graduated response process, a child's needs change and/or become more complex requiring a higher level of support, a Wiltshire "My Support Plan" may be written. A "My Support Plan" is not a statutory document.
- 9) If a child is requiring significant provision at wave 4 (more specialist support), it may indicate that an Education, Health, Care Needs Assessment is needed though not always.
- 10) We continue to follow the assess, plan, do, review cycle to monitor and ensure that schools are making best endeavours to meet the needs of our children so that they make progress towards their personal outcomes and are prepared for their next stages.

At ALL stages, schools will discuss provision for SEND with parents and carers. If your child is receiving SEN Support, you should expect to have contact from school to discuss specific targets and what is in place to support. Not all learners with identified SEND will be on the SEN Support register. They must be requiring provision which is additional to and different from that ordinarily provided in the school. This is good – it means things are going well! They will continue to be monitored closely.

Follow us @AcornSEND on twitter

Look out for tweets about achievements for children and young people with SEND as well as links to useful information.

10 tips for parents and carers

HOW TO BE GREEN WITH YOUR TECH

Right now, humans aren't living sustainably: we're taking too many resources and not leaving the world in a fit state for future generations. Old tech products are a clear example: if we throw them away, the poisonous lead and mercury inside can get into the food chain through the soil. Recycling tech, though, has its own issues: It's often exported to countries where the law doesn't protect people from hazards. Whole villages (including children) sort through discarded devices to remove useful parts and substances like gold, silver and copper – often putting their health at risk. Finding ways to re-use tech is the greenest option.

So what can we do with those cupboards and drawers full of old phones and unwanted computers?

Reuse, recycle, donate or sell them!

1 DONATE THEM TO CHARITY

There are lots of charities that redistribute unwanted tech to worthy causes, either in the UK or in developing nations. If your old products are still working, this is a great option – as it means that new products don't have to be made. Search online for your nearest place that does this.

2 REMEMBER THE BATTERIES

Almost all batteries can be recycled – even the little ‘button’ ones from smaller gadgets. You could choose a box at home or school to keep used batteries in, and then take them to a designated place that collects them. Be very careful, though – button cells can be deadly if eaten by small children or pets.

3 USE YOUR ONLINE SAFETY KNOWLEDGE

If you're recycling, selling or repurposing any of your devices, make sure that all your personal data, private photos and so on have been deleted before the tech leaves your hands or is connected online.

4 REUSE THEM

Old smartphones can be used as webcams, security cameras, baby monitors or pet cams: there are apps that will configure them to do this. You can also turn an outdated phone into a TV remote control, an alarm clock that wakes you up with your favourite track, media centre you can take to places where you wouldn't risk your ne-

5 TURN IT INTO SOMETHING NEW

Smartphones are more powerful than most older computers. If you have an unwanted android phone, it's quite easy to create a new computer - you could use an old TV as a monitor, meaning you just need a mouse and keyboard. There are also small devices you can buy which let you do the same with iPhones.

6 RETURN THEM

Return devices to the manufacturer or retailer you bought them from. Some manufacturers take responsibility for their products and accept them back, to refurbish and redistribute. If they don't, you could contact them and ask why: the more consumer pressure there is on shops and manufacturers, the more likely they are to act in a greener way.

7 SUPPORT SCIENCE

Let your old devices help modern research. Scientists currently investigating topics like far-off star systems, cancer treatment and earthquakes need enormous computing power. If your unwanted device is WiFi enabled, for example, you can connect it to a network so that it can boost scientists' research.

8 SELL THEM

This is also a green option as it means that fewer devices have to be produced. On top of that, you could also donate some of the money you make to an environmental charity.

9 RESEARCH DISPOSAL METHODS

If your device is beyond repair and no one wants it, get rid of it safely through a specialist tech disposal company. Check that your device won't be shipped off to another country for processing.

10 KEEP THINKING

There's no such thing as 'too many' ways to help our planet! If you come up with a better idea than ours, contact National Online Safety and tell us.

Meet Our Expert

Nell Atkin teaches scientific literacy through his non-profit organisation, Rubbish Science, which engages people in working together to live more sustainably and creatively uses waste to help address real-life problems. There are a range of environmental activities you may like to try on <http://www.rubbishscience.co.uk/index.html>.



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Taking part as a Windowmaker is FREE and everyone's welcome. You can make a display in the windows of your flat, house, business, school, nursery, car, campervan, shop - or in your front garden!

Please don't feel intimidated. Your display could be as simple as a candle, book or fairy-lights in a window. Or you could go all out and stage a performance in your front room! Anything goes... as long as it's family friendly!

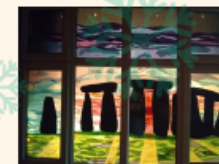
What to do next:

Visit www.windowwanderland.com/event/trowbridge-2022/ and click on 'Take part in this event' to add your location to our map.

You'll get a 'Welcome Pack' when you sign in and access to lots of inspiration for windows too!

Tell your friends and neighbours and ask them to get involved!

If you have any questions please contact events@trowbridge.gov.uk.





TROWBRIDGE Lantern Festival

& CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON


**Bigger, BRIGHTER and back
for 2022!**

Friday 18th November
Parade starts at the Civic from 6pm
Switch on in Fore Street from 6.30pm

**Get into the festive spirit, and help us
light up Trowbridge!**




Website: Trowbridge.gov.uk
Facebook: Trowbridge Christmas Lights Switch-On



Trowbridge Town Council are proud to be hosting the spectacular Trowbridge Christmas Lantern parade again in 2022 and this year we hope to make the event bigger and brighter than ever! We will see hundreds of beautiful, colourful, handcrafted willow lanterns paraded through the Town Centre led by a lively and colourful samba band! Bringing a carnival feel to proceedings, the Lantern Festival will bring together the community of Trowbridge to share in the magic of Christmas and spread light throughout the town!

We are inviting everyone to get involved, whether making lanterns or by helping to sponsor the event.





Local artist Jennie Quigley will be hosting a series of lantern making workshops in preparation for the big day – Friday 18th November.

Workshop Dates



Trowbridge Information Centre workshops:
Saturday 15th October, Saturday 29th October, Saturday 5th November, Saturday 12th November
Call 01225 765072 or email info@trowbridge.gov.uk
(All workshops are free but pre-booking is essential.)

Trowbridge Town Hall
Saturday 22nd October – Friday 28th October
(These are drop-in sessions, no pre-booking necessary but please call 01225 774306 for any queries regarding these sessions.)



If your company would like to know more about sponsorship, please email events@trowbridge.gov.uk.





Ever thought about volunteering?

Wiltshire's Independent Visitor Scheme is looking for people who can spare a couple of hours of their time every 3-4 weeks.

Volunteers are needed across Wiltshire

to befriend children in care. Young people living away from their families often really value having a consistent independent person who can take a special interest in their lives.

Wiltshire Independent Visitor Scheme is looking to take on more independent visitors to fulfil this valuable and rewarding role. Volunteers are needed who can communicate well with young people, share in their interests and who have regular time to spare.

If you are interested in knowing more please contact the scheme on

07733 303124 or **IVScheme@wiltshire.gov.uk**

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Young Person

Wiltshire Council

Hi Everyone

We will be holding our next Messy Church session at St Thomas' Church on Saturday 8th October. Doors will open at 10.45 for a 11.00 start. We aim to finish around 1pm.

We will be having crafts, a Bible story and singing, and we will be providing a light lunch. We will not be charging for this event although donations towards the cost of food would be helpful.

If you are interested in attending, please could you email Jane at janeb307@gmail.com giving:

- the names (including surname) of adults who will be attending
- the names and ages of children
- any special dietary requirements

We will need to limit numbers, so attendance will be on a first come, first served basis. If we are oversubscribed, we can put you on our waiting list.

A date for your diary: Our following Messy Church event is scheduled for Saturday 3rd December.

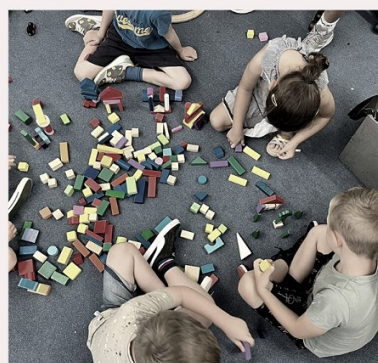
We are really looking forward to seeing you again.

love from the Messy Church team





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