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# Heytesbury C of E Primary School News

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2022

Head Teacher: Miss Elson

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been delightful this week to be able to share with you the different learning that is going on in all of the classes through Class Dojo. As you will have seen Badgers have been doing some fantastic adventure writing. Foxes have been learning about balanced arguments and Otters have been learning about doubling. All this while also completing assessments as part of our school assessment week. If you have not yet signed up to Class Dojo could I please urge you to do so. Firstly so you can see what your child is up to during the school day and secondly as it is a key way that we will be communicating to you as parents. Starting next week we will be inviting the parents of children who are receiving the Value Champion certificates to join us for our whole school worship on Fridays. These invites will come out on Thursday evenings via Class Dojo.

I am delighted to say that we are going to be able to have face to face parents evenings at the end of this term. These will happen in the final week of term on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of April. The sign-up sheets will be out next week. As you know the year one children are doing Maths and English with Mr Foyle. If your child is in Year one and you would like to see both Mr Foyle and Mrs Fulop please sign up for one of the Tuesday evening slots. The data reports for this term will be shared at these parents evenings.

As you know we have been working hard to improve the school based on the previous OFSTED report. At the start of this term we introduced floor books for a range of subjects. These are A3 books that we use in PSHE, French, Music, Computing and Class worship to show what we are learning in the individual sessions. Building up to a clear overview of the children learning in each subject each term. These are used to show the children's learning journey through some of the non-core subjects. This was to address this comment:

*"There is inconsistency in how effectively the curriculum is taught across a range of subjects and in different parts of the school."*

We are also using our floor books to develop our assessment in the non-core subjects. We are aiming for all children to be able to say what they have learnt in each lesson not just what they have done. I would encourage you when you are discussing the school day with your child to start asking the question: "What have you learnt today?"

Thank you so much to all of you who helped your child with their school council application. Our School council are currently working with Mrs Southby on what they would like us to do as a school to support the current crisis in the Ukraine.

Thank you for all of your help and support. If you have any questions or concerns please do get in touch.

Miss Elson



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### House Points



Mars: 34 points

Jupiter: 68 points

Mercury: 46 points

This week's winners are Jupiter

Congratulations to Ellis, Kyle, Freddie, Evie, Ruby and Mia who have earned their Bronze House Point Award. To Alexia and Talia who have earned their Silver House Point Award and to Lilly who has earned her Gold House Point Award.

### Values Champions:

A huge well done to our Values Champions this week. These children who have been picked out for showing our Christian Values.

#### Otters:

Freddie Vost for perseverance in sentence writing.

Jessica - for continuing to learn at home by having a debate about whether unicorns should still exist!

#### Foxes:

Nancie - since being back in school, she has coped extremely well with not being able to use her right hand. She has still been focused and ready to learn.

Lily - She has had an amazing week and followed instructions first time. She has managed to earn 10 house points!

#### Badgers:

Mia for her spectacular adventure writing.

Kai for his incredible adventure writing.



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## Birthdays:



14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> March  
Freddie and Henry

## Attendance:



This weeks winners with the highest attendance score of all of the classes is Otters Class with 96.15% attendance.

## Lunch Bookings

Please order meals together with your child so that they can help choose what they are having. W/C 28<sup>th</sup> March please order by **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 12pm**. Thank you for your support.

### Dates for your diary (including provisional dates):

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> March and 4<sup>th</sup> April** – Swimming for Fox Class and some Year 4 children

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March** – Non uniform day and food donation for the foodbank

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April**- Parents evenings

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April** – Last day of school

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April** – Children return to school



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## The Acorn Appeal Food Bank Drive

Demand for food banks has increased exponentially over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Trussell Trust, one of the UK's largest food bank charities, reported that in 2020/21 they provided over 2.5 million three-day emergency food supplies and support to people in the UK; with over 980,000 of those supplies going to children.

To support our local community over the Easter break we are taking part in The Acorn Appeal and organising a collection of food and toiletries to support Warminster Food Bank. **We are organising a non-school uniform day on Friday 25th March** and are asking for each of our families to donate an item to support to the appeal. Warminster Food Bank have confirmed that the items on the poster below this page, are most in need at the moment

While these items are in high demand, any and all donations will be greatly appreciated and make a big difference to a family in Warminster. We do ask that any items are not fresh, frozen or dairy and are well within their use by date.

**The drop off point is in the reception area at the school office on Friday 25th March.** We thank you in advance for your support of The Acorn Appeal and our local community.



### Acorn Appeal Food Bank Drive

As demand for food banks has increased exponentially over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic, all Acorn Education Trust settings are collecting food items and toiletries to support our local communities over the Easter break.

All donations would be greatly appreciated, with the below lists outlining the items that are currently in high demand.

Long life semi skimmed milk	Plain rice	Instant rice (e.g., Ben's Original)
Fruit squash concentrate	Tinned soup	Instant pasta (e.g., Mug Shot)
Cartons of long life fruit juice	Tinned vegetables	Instant mashed potato
Tea bags	Tinned tuna	Tinned rice pudding
Instant coffee	Jars of pasta sauce	Jam
Dried milk	Instant noodles (e.g., Pot Noodle)	Biscuits
Long life sponge puddings	Toilet rolls	Conditioner
Tinned fruit in juice	Shampoo	Shower gel
Deodorant	Toothbrushes	Nappies (size 4, 5 or 6)

We request that donations are not fresh, frozen or dairy items and are well within their use by date (with ideally four months left to use).

The Acorn Appeal is supporting Warminster Food Bank, Crosspoint Westbury, Storehouse Food Bank Trowbridge, Devizes Food Bank and Salisbury Food Bank.





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### Colouring Competition at Gooding Accounts

Gooding Accounts are holding an Easter colouring competition. There are two downloadable colouring sheets, pick your favourite, colour it in and send it back to their Westbury office. Their favourite will not only win a large chocolate Easter egg, but also an Odeon cinema voucher, and a restaurant voucher, for a family day out.

**Make sure the entrants' name and age are on the back of the sheet along with a contact name and number. Then either put it through their letterbox or post it to:**

**Gooding Accounts, 24 Warminster Road, Westbury, BA13 3PE**

The closing date for entries is midnight **Sunday, April 10th** and they will be choosing a winner the following week. They will display the entries in their office windows and on their socials, so keep an eye out and see if you can spot yours!" The colouring sheets are on: <https://www.goodingaccounts.co.uk/its-competition-time/>

**- Do you enjoy working with children?**  
**- Are you a fun, energetic person?**  
**- Fancy doing something different?**

If you would be interested in helping to look after children with special needs for a week, then please find out more at the links below or sign up at:

[www.newmantrust.org/get-involved/volunteers](http://www.newmantrust.org/get-involved/volunteers)

Helpers must be 18 years or over by the start of the holiday

[www.facebook.com/TheNewmanTrust](https://www.facebook.com/TheNewmanTrust)  
[www.twitter.com/TheNewmanTrust](https://www.twitter.com/TheNewmanTrust)  
[www.instagram.com/TheNewmanTrust](https://www.instagram.com/TheNewmanTrust)  
[www.newmantrust.org](http://www.newmantrust.org)

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For families of children aged 0-5 yrs

Join us for an amazingly fun and creative session run in association with Wiltshire Scrapstore!

Book your space now!



Devizes Scout Hut  
Southbroom Road, Devizes  
Wednesday 2nd March 1-2.30pm

Westbury Community Project  
Eden Vale Road, Westbury  
Wednesday 9th March 10-11.30am

Mere Lecture Hall  
Salisbury Street, Mere  
Wednesday 16th March 10.30-11.30am

Pewsey Library  
Ashton Close, Pewsey  
Tuesday 22nd March 11.30-12.30pm

Baptist Chapel Hall  
Broughton Road, Melksham  
Wednesday 30th March 10-11.30am

For more information or to book a space contact the children's centre central line on: 0800 970 4669

[www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk](http://www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk)

Booking for Scrapstore events will close one week before the scheduled event date