

#### **Newsletter Issue 4 March 2024**

Dear Parents,

Our Willow class (Year 4) had a great couple of days at PGL Liddington last week. I was fortunate enough to accompany them and was very proud of their efforts and behaviour. On our school website there are lots of pictures and video footage of them completing the activities which were: Sensory Trail, Archery, Aeroball, Abseiling, Zip Wire, Vertical Challenge and The Giant Swing. We look forward to going again next year with the current Year 3.

On the subject of residentials, we have submitted our application for Turing funding for a class residential to France in 2025. We will know in June whether this was successful. In the not too far future our Year 6 children will be off to our partner school In St Cyr, at no cost due to this funding so, we are hoping for a successful outcome.

Following our recent developments for parking around the school I'm aware the current driveway in Hoopers Field has deteriorated once again in recent weeks. I have contacted the LA/WPS council to share parent's concerns and have been informed that Wanborough Parish Council were discussing the matter this week to potentially resurface the driveway.

#### Further information and details of our involvement in the SSEZ scheme can be found on our website.

Thank you to everyone who helped with and attended this morning's Easter Service at St Andrews. It was lovely to see the school community together there again. Can I also thank those parents who attended the NSPCC webinar earlier this week on Online Safety/Gaming, I hope the webinar was both helpful and informative.

Finally, on behalf of the staff at Wanborough Primary School can I thank everybody for their hard work and support this term and wish everybody a lovely break and a Happy Easter. We look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **Andy Drury**





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#### Football results / school pitch

Well-done to the school football team who finally managed to play a game after many postponements due to the bad weather. In the SPFA Cup quarter final last Friday they lost to a strong Covingham side 4-0 but showed great effort and determination which was brilliant despite the score line. A big well done to Josh, Jacob, Ben, Theo, Jack, Harrison, George C, Aden, Savannah and George S.

As I write the rain continues to fall, but we are hopeful the school pitch/field will be cut and accessible after Easter. We have managed to cut a piece of the field to accommodate STFC on Monday evenings again after the holiday, and hopefully we will be able to play some school games at home too!



After school Club are asking for the following donations:

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**Puzzles** 

Dolls (not barbies)

Little cars

We are also looking for EMPTY DVD cases for our Library





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http://www.wanboroughprimary.org/uniformpolicy.html

#### <u>Uniform</u>

With summer around the corner many children will be wearing our summer uniform which is as follows:

#### **Summer options:**

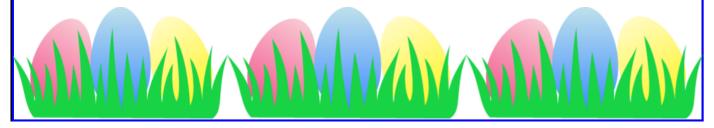
- Yellow and white striped/checked dress with white socks
- Black/grey pinafore, skirt, culottes, trousers or shorts with black/grey socks/tights
- Yellow polo shirt
- Black sweatshirt/cardigan
- Sensible black shoes or black/brown (with black/grey socks) or white sandals (with white socks). No flip flops will be permitted.

May I remind parents that jewellery should not be worn except earrings which should be flat/stud in style and watches/fitbits. Smart watches, chains, bracelets and rings are not permitted. Long hair should also be tied back for PE lessons.

#### Water bottles

With the hopefully warmer weather on the way, it is a good time to remind everyone of our policy on drinking during school time. The following is taken from our Healthy eating policy:

- 1) Drinking water is provided in all classes, and children are encouraged to drink water sensibly.
- 2) We recognise that children learn better when they are kept hydrated during the day and so all children are encouraged to bring a bottle of water to keep in the classroom. Children are not allowed squash inside their bottles due to the sugar content and its effect on teeth when a meal is not taken with it. Squash may however be drunk at lunchtimes. Fizzy drinks are not permitted, however, smoothies, fruit juice and similar drinks are fine for lunch.
- 3) The school has a water fountain to hydrate children during lunch and break times.



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#### **Diary Dates:**

28th March Easter Service 9.30am, at St. Andrew's Church, parents welcome

28th March School Closes at 1.30pm (No After School Club)

April Swimming Y3 and Y5 18th/25th April and 2nd/9th/16th and 23rd May

12th - 16th May Year 6 SATs

16th May & 22nd May Parent Evening

Friday 17th May KS2 Disco

Tuesday 4th June Y6 Junior Good Citizen (Details to follow)

16th - 21st June Year 6 Residential to France

Thursday 20th June Teddy Take Over (Details below)

Friday 21st June Rags2Riches PTA

Wednesday 26th June Sports day

Thursday 25th June School Photos (class photos and Y6 Leavers)

27th and 28th June Y6 Ridgeway Transition Days

Saturday 29th June PTA Fete

Wednesday 3rd July Back up sports day

Friday 19th July Year 6 Leavers Service 6pm

Tuesday 23rd July Year 6 Lake Trip (Details to follow)

Thursday 25th July School Closes at 1.30pm (No After School Club)

#### PE days for Term 5/6

R - Monday and Friday

1 - Tuesday and Wednesday

2 - Monday and Thursday

3 - Thursday and Friday

4 - Monday and Friday

5 - Tuesday and Thursday

6 - Tuesday and Thursday

#### TD days for 2024/25:

Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 21st October 2024

**Tuesday 22nd October 2024** 

Wednesday 23rd October 2024

Monday 24th February 2025 (Blue Kite Acade-

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my Trust Collaboration Day for all staff)

Thursday 24th July 2025



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Oscar in Year 6, accomplished a significant milestone by achieving the Red Belt after a rigorous 3-hour panel grading. His dedication, hard work, and commitment were instrumental in this achievement. The next belt on his martial arts journey is the Deputy Black Belt. Oscar has enjoyed attending the Matt Fiddes Martial Arts classes over the years.



Lowri represented Wiltshire in the LTA Y9 County Cup tournament on Sunday 24th March in Aldershot.

It was a tough tournament! The whole team performed really well and did their coaches proud.



#### Value of the month for April—Creativity

In April we will be focusing on the value creativity as a school. We have spoken about how everyone is creative and that it shows in different ways, for example, some people love to paint, some love to cook, some like to play music and others like to build models. As a family you could talk about the different ways you are each creative.



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#### **Young Carers**

This term, on a very wet Friday, the children had fun playing indoor games and enjoying the toys in the Rainbow Room including Connect Four, Guess Who, Marble Run, Play Food, Marble Run, Magnetix, Bounce Off and Puppets.

We also held our Annual Easter Egg Treasure Hunt around the school when the children, in groups, explored the school using clues to find the egg pictures, at the end of which all the children received a chocolate Easter Egg.

We now have 17 Young Carers within the school helping to care for parents and siblings - if you feel your child may be a Young Carer please contact me at school.

Ms Hingley - Young Carer Lead, ELSA, HLTA



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Starting w/c 25th March, new road markings and signing will be put into place around school.

The School Safe Environment Zone for Wanborough Primary will be in force from 8 April 2024, ready for the 15 April 2025 when school returns from the Easter Holiday.

This is to make travelling to and from school safer for the whole school community and for neighbouring residents.

It is part of a School Safe Environment Zone initiative from Swindon Borough Council.

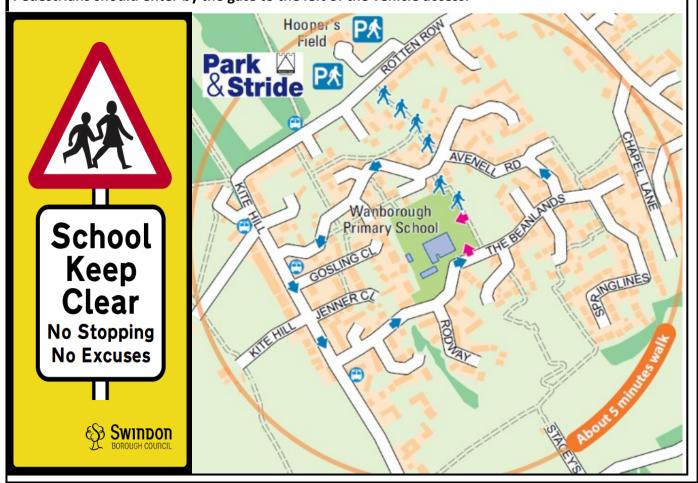
SBC have produced 2 booklets explaining aspects of the scheme, please see link below.

http://www.wanboroughprimary.org/school travel.html

We encourage children and parents to walk to school if possible and we have produced a 5 minute walking routes map.

The '5 minute' zone on this map is approximate and all routes shown are either roads with pavements or footpaths. Copies of this map with further information are available from the school office.

Children can use scooters to come to school, but must be very careful around the school gates and must get off the scooter before going through the gate to the right of the entrance to the bike shed. Pedestrians should enter by the gate to the left of the vehicle access.



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It is definitely starting to feel like spring is in the air, and with spring comes the run up to the busiest time of year for the PTA. The new owners of the Harrow have seen quite a bit of the PTA the last couple of months, and we have had a few meetings in there finalising details and planning for future events. You are always welcome to join us email us on <a href="mailto:contactpta@wanborough.org">contactpta@wanborough.org</a> for more information

With the end of term coming up the PTA give everyone a special Easter treat of an Easter breakfast with hot cross buns, toast and hot chocolate with marshmallows of course. We hope you all enjoyed it and we wish you a Happy Easter.



In early February we had the very youngest of the school community on the dance floor at our "Winterfest" reception and key stage one disco dancing away to the tune being spun by our very own DJ Woodman.... We were so lucky it even snowed! We had a whale of time, and we hope the children did too.... There were certainly some very sweaty face painted faces running around with smiles all over them. We have to say a huge thank you to everyone who came, everyone who purchased a ticket, bought a hotdog, had their face painted, had a drink from the bar or participated in the lucky dip. We also must say thank you to everyone who helped, it was lovely to see some of the ex-students back in the school. At this event we managed to raise just over **£500.** We are currently looking to raise monies to replace some of the SMART boards in the classrooms, so this amount will definitely be helpful.

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Also in early February we had our Friends from Rags2Riches4Schools come to collect all your clothes donations. February's collection was huge at **120 bags** and managed to raise just under £270. Whilst also preventing a huge amount of clothes from going to landfill. Our next Rags2Riches4Schools collection is planned for **21.06.2024**, so please think of us while you are doing your spring cleaning and pop any unwanted clothes in a clean plastic bag and store in your attic or something until our collection in June.



A little while ago we put out a request on our Facebook page for sponsors for an idea we had for reusable event cups. We were really lucky and both Waylands Volvo and Primary Homes & Lettings stepped forward. A couple of weeks ago our lovely event cups arrived and we cannot wait to use them. We are just thinking about all the waste we will reduce in not having single use plastic or paper cups at the bar alone. So a huge thank you to our sponsors for these.

Our planning meetings are ramping up as we have the summer fete in our sights. The summer fete is our single largest event both in terms of planning, help

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required, and money raised. If you have any ideas about the fete, we would love to hear them <a href="mailto:contactpta@wanborough.org">contactpta@wanborough.org</a>. In the meantime save the date of the **29**<sup>th</sup> **of June** and pop it in your diary. Our popular Feteball football tournament will also be on and will surely be the biggest football event of the summer!!!!

In addition to this after the Easter break, we will be announcing dates and details for our KS2 Summer fest disco so watch this space.

Not only has our planning been ramped up, but we have also been spending the money raised this term. The money that you have donated at our events, or the clothing that you have given us for our collections has helped enable us to give the school money toward **Lego kits for Lego therapy, and purchase workshops from Silly Science for the whole school**. We really hope that the children enjoyed their science workshops, which also tied in with Science Week. So thank you again for your donations and ongoing support.

We still really hope to run a quiz night this year, however, to do this we really need a quizmaster, is this something that you can help us with? Drop us at email at <a href="mailto:contactpta@wanboroughprimary.org">contactpta@wanboroughprimary.org</a>

#### **Dates for your Diary**

21.06.2024 - Rags2Riches4Schools Collection

29.06.2024 – Summer Fete

Tbc – Summerfest KS2 disco



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#### Wiltshire Treehouse Easter Trail – Saturday 30th March, Swindon

We will be holding our annual Easter Trail again this year in Town Gardens, Old Town. The event is a great excuse to get the family out in the fresh air and we love seeing lots of excited little faces as they claim their Easter prizes.

We expect this year to be popular and advise booking online in advance to avoid disappointment at the reduced cost of £3.50 per participant (£4.00 on the day). For further information and to book your place/s please see https://

www.wiltshiretreehouse.org.uk/fundraising/eastertrail-2024.



#### **NEW Wiltshire bereavement programmes**

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding 2 further bereavement programmes in the Trowbridge area this year. This programme is for bereaved children in school years 6 – 11. For more information please visit Wilts NEST leaflet email version.pdf (wiltshiretreehouse.org.uk)

#### **Swindon bereavement programmes**

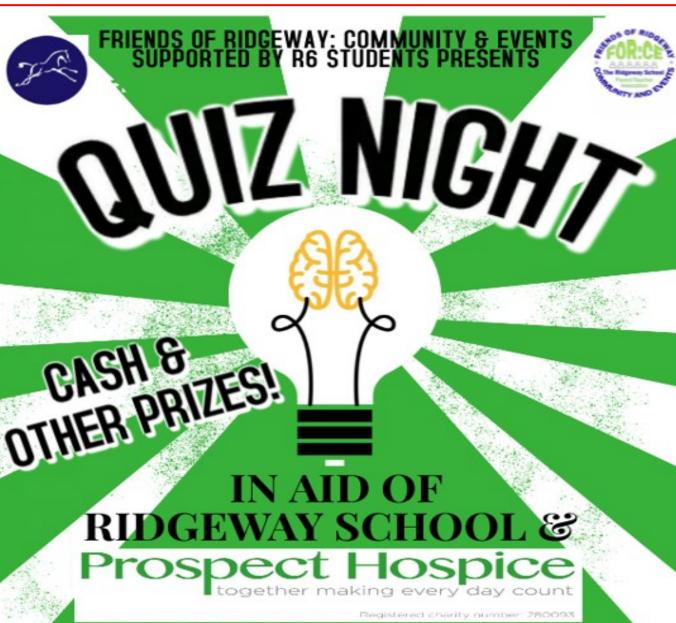
Our successful bereavement programmes have been running in Swindon for nearly 10 years. These programmes are suitable for children in the 6 – 18yr old age bracket. To find out more, including how to make a referral, please visit

Family Group leaflet - Aug 2023 EMAIL VERSION.pdf (wiltshiretreehouse.org.uk) Swindon NEST leaflet email version 2023.pdf (wiltshiretreehouse.org.uk)



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Thursday, 25th April

Doors open at 6.30pm ~ Quiz starts at 7pm £5 per person ~ Teams of up to 6 players

Mocktails & Soft Drinks Bar I 50/50 Cash Raffle Delicious Hot Dogs & Pizza Available To Buy

Please book in advance

Contact: forceptaridgeway@gmail.com / 07557206187

RIDGEWAY SCHOOL, WROUGHTON, SN4 9DJ Ridgeway School is an alcohol-free site



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### Have you suffered from pain in your knee/hip/lower back for at least 3 months?

Would you like to be part of an exciting research project?

We want to find out the effect of different physical therapy programmes on experiences of long term pain



#### To be eligible you will need to:

- Have experienced pain in your knee, hip or lower back for at least 3 months
- · Be at least 18 years of age
- Successfully complete an <u>hours</u> familiarisation session
- Be willing to take part in 3 sessions a week over 8 weeks. Each session will last approx. 30 – 60 minutes and almost all sessions can be done in your own home
- Attend a support session with the researcher every 2 weeks in Wanborough

To register your interest please email lorna.sams@open.ac.uk

Approved by The Open University ethics panel: 2023-0071-3



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With Spring on the way and the days getting longer, we are excited for the new cricket season!

Previously we had informed you that the priority window would open on Wednesday (6th March), however we are writing to let you know this date has changed, and to reassure you that you will still get the opportunity to book on to a course ahead of the national launch, which takes place on 10th April. In 2024, the majority of courses will begin delivery from the weekend of 10th May onwards.

Your priority window - giving you early access to book onto a course near you - will now take place on Wednesday 3rd April.

There is therefore now one month to go until your priority access, so please save the date in your calendar. You will receive an email from us at 10am on 3rd April including a link for you to book on to your course of choice.

If your All Stars or Dynamos participant would like to get ready for their course, don't forget to check out the All Stars Activity Space (www.AllStarsActivitySpace.co.uk), or the free Dynamos Cricket App, which is available to download in both the iOS and Android app stores. Both feature skills videos and interactive quizzes to provide lots of ways for kids to get active.

You can also get involved by volunteering at All Stars or Dynamos Cricket sessions. We're always on the lookout for new Activators so if this sounds appealing, speak to your club directly, or visit our Activator webspace, www.CricketActivators.co.uk for more advice and access to resources.

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Apologies if the booking delay has caused any inconvenience, however we look forward to welcoming you from May when the fun and games will begin.

In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact us via our helpdesk.

**The National Programmes Team** 



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### EASTER SPORTS CAMPS

**Sports Development with** Social-emotional Learning





"I love that as well as getting better at sport, it is equally about developing the chidren as young people" - Parent

- Kingsway Primary Academy, GL2 2AR
- Westlea Primary School, SN5 7BT
- Cam Woodfield Juniors, GL11 6JJ
- St Peter's Academy, SN14 0LL
- Benhall Infants, GL51 6PS
- St Briavel's Primary, GL15 6TD

R-Y6

9am- 4pm

£12.50/DAY

BOOK NOW TO AVOID YOUR CHILD'S DISAPPOINTMENT

To Book - click on link or copy into your browser

the-sports-project.class4kids.co.uk/camps

Key Stage 2 girls... Join us for Stroud High School

Open Morning 9.15-11.30am Friday 26 April or Friday 28 June 2024 Register online at stroudhigh.gloucs.sch.uk



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#### SPORTS & ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

TAG RUGBY, FOOTBALL, DANCE, CIRCUS SKILLS, FENCING, CHEERLEADING, STREET HOCKEY, ULTIMATE FRISBEE, CRICKET, MUSICAL THEATRE, DODGEBALL, PARKOUR, TENNIS, ATHLETICS.

Alongside the sports coaching, we follow the needs of the children to support with the competencies below:

Self-Awareness, e.g. self-efficacy, self-esteem, resilience, self-confidence, identifying strengths and weaknesses.

Self-Management, e.g. independence, self-motivation, expressing emotions appropriately, executive functioning.

Social Awareness, e.g. empathy and compassion, mutual respect, perspective-taking, conflict resolution.

Relationship Skills, e.g. collaborative problem-solving, leadership, honesty, resisting negative social pressure.

Responsible Decision-Making, e.g. self-discipline, reasoned judgement, problem-solving, evaluate consequences of actions.

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Keeping children safe online

#### A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying







Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.





It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online. Skips Educational Email: info@skipsed.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941

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www.skipssafetynet.org



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Mix it up this Easter with our multi-activity holiday camps!

These camps are a perfect blend of activities, combining different sports with a variety of team games. Every day is different!

Book now for a Easter full of fun!

For more information email Alana:

Premier





Like our page for up to date offers, information and activity timetables, search 'Premier Education Swindon





### EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB BROOK FIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

2nd - 5th April & 8th - 12th April 2024

To book a place at our holiday club where lots of fun and laughter awaits, please visit our website to secure your place.



www.swindonmultisports.co.uk









### EASTER TENNIS CAMPS

THIS EASTER WE WILL BE RUNNING CAMPS SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-12 YEARS OLD. THEY WILL BE ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

TUESDAY 2ND, WEDNESDAY 3RD & THURSDAY 4TH APRIL. TUESDAY 9TH, WEDNESDAY 10TH & THURSDAY 11TH APRIL. THE DAY RUNS FROM 10-3PM WITH DROP OFF AVAILABLE FROM 9.30AM. CAMPS ARE £24 FOR MEMBERS OF THE CLUB OR £26 FOR NON MEMBERS. ALL CAMPS ARE RUN BY LTA LICENSED COACHES. PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH AND PLENTY TO DRINK FOR THE DAY. LOTS OF TENNIS SKILLS TO BE LEARNT THROUGHOUT WITH FUN GAMES AND COMPETITIONS INCLUDED.

VENUE - WANBOROUGH TENNIS CLUB AT HOOPERS FIELD TO BOOK ON PLEASE CONTACT WANBOROUGH TENNIS CLUB HEAD COACH BECKY WATTS ON 07716094225 OR

BECKYPRINCE@LIVE.CO.UK



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Our alm is to develop each pupil's musical potential according to their individual needs and aspirations. Quality of teaching is manifored through regular observations of all our teachers.

For more information or to apply please scan the QR code below





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# Easter Holiday Fun Workshops



Croft Primary School, Marlborough Lane, Swindon, SN3 1RA Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th April 2024 9:30am - 1:30pm

#### **ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:**

GAMES • SINGING • DANCE & MOVEMENT
 DRAMA • ARTS AND CRAFTS

Sessions are free for eligible HAF recipients, £20.00 per session for Non-HAF recipients Sessions are £20 for children who do not receive free school meals

To enrol, please go to www.revolutionpa.co.uk/holiday-fun-swindon. For any questions, email us at office@revolutionpa.co.uk or call us on 01793 792983 or text us on 07799691328







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