



# Preshute Newsletter

## Reminders for Sports Day & Fayre - Tomorrow!

All the children have enjoyed lots of different sports this week and this will culminate tomorrow with Sports Day, followed by the Summer Fayre. This will be held at the College track (adjacent to Treacle Bolley tennis courts, near St George's church). Commencing at **1.30pm sharp!** We have kindly been given permission to park in St George's car park. There will also be some spaces by the tennis courts & between the courts and the running track. **The Juniors (Y3 to Y6) will all need to bring in a disposable packed lunch**, as they will be down at the track all day.

The Infants (YR, Y1 & Y2) will have their normal lunch at school and walk down at 12.45pm. **ALL** children need to be picked up from the track, unless they are going to Fun Club or have agreed prior permission to walk home. **There is NO SCHOOL BUS and NO DANCE CLUB.**

## Key Stage 2 Results

We are pleased to let you know that our KS2 results have stayed well above national figures and are roughly in line or above Preshute's 2016 results.

Nationally, the number of pupils reaching the expected standard in reading, writing and maths was 56%. At Preshute, 84% of pupils reached the required standard in reading with 55% exceeding expectations. In spelling, punctuation and grammar, 87% of pupils reached the required standard with 45% exceeding expectations. In maths 87% of pupils met the required standard with 35% exceeding it. This is a tribute to the hard work and relentless effort put in by staff and pupils in Year 6.

## Concert at St John's

The choir performed at St John's in the 'Music for a Summer's Evening' concert last Wednesday. They sang beautifully and were a credit to the school again. Especially well done to the soloists. Thank you to Mr Turner, Mrs Croucher and Mr Byrne for their continued help and support.



## Swimming Success!

As you know our Y5 and Y6 swimmers won the cluster swimming competition and qualified for the Wiltshire Games that were held at Marlborough College last week. I am very pleased to let you know that the team came 2<sup>nd</sup>! Bearing in mind that there are over 200 primary schools in Wiltshire this is a magnificent achievement! They were a delight on poolside and easily won the prize for being the noisiest team cheering each other on! We also had a team of 6 children in the squash tournament. They all played really well and had great fun.



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## Swimming Gala

Thank you to Mrs Zabeo and Miss Offer for organising and running a very successful swimming gala for the Juniors. Thank you to all the parents who came along to support, and it was lovely to hear the children spontaneously encouraging their classmates.

## Forest & Funds!

Year 5 had a fantastic trip to the Living Rainforest, Newbury. We experienced what the rainforest environment would be like and learnt lots about how animals had adapted to their environment.



Also Year 5 would like to thank everyone for their contributions to Kids Tusk force by buying our beads and cakes as we are now able to foster an Elephant called Malima! Y5 below, preparing for their sale:



## Congratulations!!

Congratulations go to all the following:  
Tilda (Y4) - won a gold medal at the Wiltshire Judo competition, winning all of her match ups!

Joshua (Y1) - passed his Purple Belt in martial arts with Distinction.

Freya (Y4) - played in an end of season squash tournament and came 1st in her age group. She then played the next grade (under 11's) and came 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Mabel (Y3) - passed her Grade 1 guitar exam with Distinction.

Manon (Y3) - passed her Grade 1 guitar exam with Merit.

Jemma (Y3) - passed her Grade 1 Ballet exam.

## Diary Dates & Reminders

17/7 - Non-Uniform day - dress as a Cowboy/girl (or any non-uniform) for Prospect Hospice for £1. No guns please!

18/7 - Orchestra performing as Gt Bedwyn

19/7 - Leavers' Service Y6 parents. St George's 1.30pm.

19/7 - Picnic after school on the field

21/7 - No fun club today - last day

## Swimming & Sport for Next Year

In order to further improve our swimming and sports arrangements we have managed to secure the use of Marlborough College's swimming pool for all children in junior classes during term 3 and term 4 next academic year. At the College, all year groups will receive the same total number of lessons within terms 3 and 4 as they did throughout the year at the leisure centre. Further details will follow in the Autumn Term.

As well as this we have negotiated an increased contract for Go Active (sports coaches) of 4 afternoons a week to deliver Sport at Preshute. The feedback from staff has been that valuable PE time has been lost this year due to travelling to and from the leisure centre. In order for the children to have longer PE lessons all PE will be at Preshute next year. The field and playground will be used primarily and the hall in bad weather.

## Staff News

Please see below which classes our Teaching Assistants will be allocated to next year:

Reception Class: Mrs Croucher

Year 1: Mrs Wing

Year 2: Mrs Child & Mrs Connor

Year 3: Mrs Morgan

Year 4: Miss Offer

Year 5: Mrs Zabeo

Year 6: Mrs Kennedy & Mrs Child

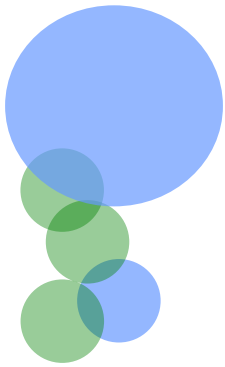
## Library Update

We are currently updating the books that we have in our library so that the children can read current, inspirational books. This has been made possible because of the hard work the PPSA has put into fundraising and the kind donations from parents (including the sponsored read) and the community. So far we have spent £3500.

If you would like to help further and make a donation through ParentPay that would be very much appreciated. We have put a £1 on the system, but you can change it to any amount you wish, but please don't feel obligated to contribute. Thank you.

Miss Knowles, English Subject Leader





## Thank You!!

We would like to say a very big THANK YOU to all of you who have helped dig, plant & paint to help create the 'Rain Garden' project created by ARK. Our Chair of governors, Andy Houchin, even brought his team mates along!

And a big thank you to Y4, who served tea & biscuits so politely at our 'Helper's Tea Party' last week!

We would also like to thank the School Council for all their hard work throughout the year. We will announce the new committee in the first newsletter next term.

## No 'Slime' Please!

There seems to be another craze..... Please can we ask that the children don't bring this into school. Thank you.

## Jonathan's Jungle Roadshow

Millipedes, scorpions, tarantulas, geckos and..... snakes! Y3 and Y4 enjoyed a memorable and informative visit from Jonathan and his creature friends. In order to enrich and support their Science unit on Living Things, they had the opportunity to gain first hand experience of a variety of creatures. The children had a fantastic time and enjoyed some very 'close encounters!'



## Sports Week

We're sure you would like to join us in thanking Mrs Mundy and Miss Holness VERY much for all the extra time and effort that has gone into organising Sports Week. The children have really enjoyed sampling a variety of different sports.

Here is a small flavour of this busy week:

### Martial Arts



### Football



### Cheerleading

