

Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News

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Spring in the Park: **Sunday May 7th**... please save the date. Our older children have been asked to do the May Pole Dancing for this event in Warminster Park with The Dance Lady. It would be great to have everyone's support for this.

This week, we had **Wessex Water** in to do some Science based on Water – it was great to hear that the children gave 100% effort towards their work and learnt something new from our visitor. Sam was a KS3 biology teacher and was impressed with our children's knowledge and behaviour. Today, we also had **Wiltshire's Walk Safety** team in to work with Y1, 3 and 6 children. Again, the children listened attentively to the leader – please encourage your child to share what they heard and put this into practise. Even on our lanes around school, I would encourage children walking on the roads and staying close to adults.

I have completed some Safeguard training this week. Notably, the session about **Helping Children to Navigate through their Digital Journey**. Some key points: 'Whats App' is 16+, this is because of some of the information 'WhatsApp' will collect about users such as phone number and information on what device you are using. Similarly, please note that 'TikTok' is 13+. Statistics associated with social media and gaming sites are quite concerning; 1 in 10 children have been exposed to pornography by the age of 9 and this is usually accidentally through apps like 'Whats App' and 'TikTok'. Most children from Year 3 are playing games with strangers. There is also increasing numbers of young children, having public accounts on a variety of social media apps eg. 'Snap Chat' and 'TikTok', with children wanting to have more followers. We are very aware that many children have mobile phones and other devices and are accessing Apps and Games that are not recommended for their ages. Please do spend time ensuring that parental controls are in place. Children need to know why controls are used and that this will enable them to have a more positive experience while on-line.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/> and <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/> are hugely recommended.

Please remember, on 23rd February at 9.15am, there is **An On-Line Safety Talk for Parents** led by Karl Hopwood at Sutton Veny Village Hall.

Well done to Freya and Sophia who were chosen to help at the Dance Festival this year as part of their Dance Crew. I heard that you had a great day, working with other primary schools as well as the Dance Lady and Mr Widger and students from Kingdown school. Brilliant ambassadors for the school.

During half term, there will be builders in to improve our playground area outside Potters and fencing around the school playground.

Although I am expecting all the 'dirty, machinery work' to be completed during the week, there will be some work still being done during the first week of Term 4. Potters' playground will be OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL.

Therefore, for the first week back, children in Potters will come out from the Main Entrance and to ease congestion in this area, this will be from 3.05pm. If parents all wait on Thatcher's playground, until their child appears at the front of the line! Hopefully, this will be for 1 week only!



Please can we ask for **adults to help at the disco** for KS1 and KS2 times. This is to ensure we have sufficient adult:child ratio on the night. It will involve help to serve hot dogs and supervise the hall and toilets, plus helping at drop-off and collection times. All help setting up and tidying away would also be most welcomed. Please speak to Gussie, Angela, Vicky, Tiffany, class rep or myself if you would be able to help. Many thanks.

Wyllye Coyotes After-school and holiday club is based in Codford. I have heard positive things about this establishment so thought I would share on here in case it is needed by our families as part of the wrap around care or during the holidays. The best way to contact them is via Facebook.

February	March	April
1 st Student Leader meeting	1 st Mrs Ilıc out all day training 1 st Weavers Trip to Salisbury Cathedral	17 th Term 5 starts
6 th Wessex Water Science Day	2 nd World Book Day	17 th Y6 KS3 offer Day
7 th Gala Swimming 'Time Trials' session	Week Beg 15 th –Reports out	17 th Wilts Air Ambulance £2 per child
8 th Mrs Ilıc out – Safeguarding Day	20 th Full Governing Body meeting	18 th <u>Thatchers</u> Swimming Starts
10 th Walk Safe – Road Safety Y1, 3, 6	23 rd Mrs Ilıc out Safeguarding Training	
13 th – 17 th HALF TERM	W/E 24 th Last week of Extra Curricular Clubs	
20 th TD Day – School Closed	27 th Easter Walk	
21 st Children return	28 th /29 th Parents Evening – No After School Club	
21 st KS2 Swimming resumes for all of T3	29 th Tag Rugby Y5/6	
23 rd Brass Band visit	31 st Easter Hunt	
23 rd Online Safety Talk	31 st – End of Term 4 No After School Club	
24 th School Disco (change of date)		

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WINNING HOUSE – rewarded with extra play/stickers! 224, 218, 206, 180

Class highest scorers: Austin, Owen, Wilfred, Joel

Potters, you have been awarded the Trust acorn for the fantastic playground games you have been playing this week.

Thatchers, - Your class has been given the Trust acorn for being superstars for Mrs Newbery and Mrs Connolly when Mrs Rayner wasn't in. Mrs Brown and Mrs Rayner

Weavers, you have been awarded the Friendship Acorn for helping each other out both on the playground and in the classroom – you are always encouraging and reassuring each other.

Foresters, you have been given the Respect Acorn for listening to others in our 'Values' lesson and using positive communication for when there are disagreements with one other.

Head Teacher Certificates: Going Above and Beyond this week!

Adam – for his high score and huge progress in his Maths Term 3 'Remember it'.

Matilda – for her excellent poem in English using the subjunctive mood.

Logan – for being a calm and hard-working member of the class in every lesson.

Joseph – for always working well with your learning partner.

Teddy – excellent Geography work this week, noticing differences and similarities with Crockerton and London.

Ezra – trying exceptionally hard to make good choices.

Willow – for so much enthusiasm with all your learning this term.

Spirit of Crockerton Certificate: Demonstrating one of our Church School Values.

Caiden – Friendship, for helping the Year 5s embed the short division method, explaining it so accurately.

Alys – Perseverance, for considering your mistakes and learning from them with confidence. Great work!

Jessica - Respect for always looking after our school belongings and resources.

Albie – Friendship – for being such a good friend to all his friends, every day.

Reading Bag – *enjoy the hot chocolate but return the bag on Monday please.*

Meredith – For always reading with great expression!

Charlie – For making such great progress in your reading.

Lottie – Excellent enthusiasm for reading.

Seb – So much confidence with reading this week!

Maths Achievement Award

William H – For always persevering with his maths problems, consequently achieving a high mark in his end of term 'Remember it'.

Millie – For overcoming your own challenges in maths and then using that experience to help others.

Penelope – For excellent progress in all areas.

Samuel – For identifying and discussing the properties of 2d shape this week.

Presentation/Handwriting Certificate

Joel for his incredibly neat, consistent and beautiful joined handwriting.

Seth – For his well sized letters that are joined more and more.

Arthur – For consistently neat and legible handwriting in all lessons this week – a huge improvement has been noticed!

Hugo PW – for an excellent effort to form 'g' correctly all week!

BRONZE STAR AWARDS: Henry M, Annabelle, Thea, Ioan and Jessica, Harry F, Rowan

SILVER STAR AWARDS: Alys

Attendance: 95% or above is our target this year!

Potters 97%

Thatchers 95%

Weavers 99%

Foresters 96%

This is great! Another good term of attendance – please try to keep all holidays booked within school holidays...

***** **September 1st 2023 will be a TD day! Future ones announced soon!**

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