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Yet another hugely successful Open Day, with lots of positive comments are our children being super ambassadors for the school during a busy morning. We will, hopefully, be running a craft session for our siblings in December – please do let us know if your child is due to **start in September '24**.

Quiz Night — Invite your friends and get a team together to join us all at Minster School for a fun quiz, on Friday 17th November. I really do believe that we will be successful with our bid for a building to replace our current, tired KS2. Please do support the school so that we can build that pot of money! We do need some more Teams!

Next week is the last **swimming** session for a while as Kingdown School use the pool for their swimming sessions. It resumes in February. Foresters will continue with a PE session on Tuesday as they prepare for West Wilts Dance Festival in Bath but Weavers will change their PE day to a Friday (week beg 20th Nov)

This week, we had our Celebration Worship on Thursday as this afternoon we will be welcoming members of the Royal British Legion to school along with some members of our local community. I have seen snippets of some wonderful work based on the Wars and Remembrance and the children have, as always shown great maturity and respect during this learning.



Thatchers had a superb class visit to The Army Flying Museum, in Middle Wallop. The day was immersive with the children surrounded by planes and helicopters. The children were in awe and wonder of the advances in technology, the aircraft that had seen live action and the 1940s house, including and Anderson Shelter in the garden. The play next to the active, training runway allowed the children area to role play all things aviation whilst watching planes taxiing and helicopters taking off. The children's knowledge impressed the staff at the museum. They commented that it surpassed many Key Stage 2 classes that visit from other schools. How impressive is that!



Christmas Dates: Nativity and Carol Concert dates have been confirmed. This year, Potters and Thatchers will be doing $\tilde{\xi}$ performances of their Nativity, in school (and not at Horningsham) on 12^{th} and 14^{th} December. Full details will follow. KS2 Carol Concert will take place on Monday 18^{th} December at St Peter and St Paul's Church.

A couple of polite reminders.

- Children do need coats, jumpers/hoodies in school every day. The weather can be very changeable now and we do try to get the children outside as much as possible.
- Can we also ask that book bags are used just for books, passports and letters and not to carry packed lunches and water bottles. This term we have had leaking bottles ruin school books. Your child should be reading every night and parents recording this reading in the reading record even in Key stage 2.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- And finally, children in Key Stage 1 should not be on the steps outside Weavers' classroom at home time, whilst waiting for KS2 at home time. I would ask that parents ensure children stay away for the steps/railing and do not stand on the tables. I thank you for your support with all of the above!

WALK SAFE INITIATIVE for Year 1, Year 3 and Year 6

We welcomed our visitors from the Local Authority who deliver the Wiltshire Road Safety programme to our children. It is mixture of practical and classroom-based activities. Please do reinforce this with your children, reminding them about the dangers of our roads around the school and ensuring that they leave the School entrance carefully and walk to their cars at home time, checking for cars and vans that may be using the narrow roads at the same time! It is that time of year that we also stress that bright coats really are important — in Science Thatchers have been noticing how dark it is now as we leave school!

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Head Teacher Certificates: Going Above and Beyond this week!

Matilda – Well done for taking part so bravely and maturely in the Village Defibrillator training. You listened intently and shared your ideas and knowledge about the heart and first aid. Knowing where to locate, and how to use defibrillators could be a life-saving skill. Well done Matilda for taking up this opportunity.

Spirit of Crockerton in Potters

Lily, you have been outstanding this week because you have been working so hard, practising your reading, and as a result is reading so well!

Spirit of Crockerton in Thatchers

Morwen has been outstanding this week because she always tries her best; produces some thoughtful work; can work independently or in a group; follows the rules and is a kind friend.

Spirit of Crockerton in Weavers

Harry has been the Spirit of Weavers this week because he has produced some fantastic poetry writing in English; as well as being the usual brilliant role model in class and always with a smile on his face.

Spirit of Crockerton in Foresters

Oliver has been named as the Spirit of Foresters this week because of his problem solving in Maths fraction work.

Highest Dojo Scorer in each class

Seb, Charlie, Felix and Sam – brilliant effort

Writing Bags have been given to the following children this week:

Rufus, George T, George S and Millie Plese return these on Monday

Classes with 95% attendance or better:

Potters 94% Thatchers 99% Weavers 96% Foresters 98% Well done Thatchers you have had great attendance too this term!

Wylye 165 Shearwater 162 Longleat 149 Cley Hill 124

Overall: Cley Hill 16 Longleat 19 Shearwater 21 Wylye 26

Spirit of Houses

New certificates designed and awarded by House Captains.

Alexander Ellis Lily Oscar M

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