



May



MESSAGE FROM THE
HEADTEACHER

As we begin to approach the end of another term it has been really encouraging to see so many of our young people being able to access outdoor learning opportunities once again and have the chance to transfer their learning from the classroom to a 'real-life' context.

We have had pupils attending weekly Forest School on site and outdoor activities with the Wiltshire Outdoor Learning Team. Our younger pupils have been developing their road safety and money based skills. Our catering van is also now back at Frome Market every Wednesday. Please pop down and say hello if you are nearby.

Our 'Working Futures Hub' is well underway and pupils have managed the changes, which the build has brought with exceptional maturity and ease. The grounds works are due to be completed soon and the new building will begin to take shape very quickly. The building itself will have an office, classroom and an independent living skills learning space complete with a 'home' kitchen where our older pupils from KS4 and KS5 will be able to acquire and consolidate key skills.

Pupils and staff continue to work hard on gathering funds for our 'Outdoor Learning Space and Sensory Garden.' We hope that we will be able to welcome everyone to our School Fun Day and Dog Show on the 18th July. This event will not only raise funds for the project but will also be a wonderful community event so please come and join us if you can!

Critchill School
Dog show and Fun Day
SUNDAY 18TH JULY
FREE ENTRY 11 - 3.30
For more information find our event on Facebook
and like our school's Facebook page
Dog Show - registration from 10am
Bouncy castle, obstacle course and slide
Anna and Elsa from Enchantment Princesses
Indian Street Food Dan's ice creams
Cakes and refreshments Pimm's bar
Tombola Glitter tattoos Rocky's Magic Parties
Hot Dogs and Waffles Face painting

Nunney road, Frome, BA11 4LB

Dates for your diary!

School News..

28th May 2021 - End of Term 5

7th June 2021 - Start of Term 6

18th June 2021- Sports Day

24th June - Job vacancies open afternoon

25th June 2021- Reserve Sports Day

25th June - Relationships and sex education (RSHE) and health education

Wk com 12th July—Virtual Annual Report Evening

18th July—Dog Show and Fun Day

19/20th July—Transition Day

22nd July 2021 - End of Term 6

23rd July 2021 - Inset Day

INSET Days 2020-2021

23rd July 2021

Staff News...

Welcome to.....

Emily Ravenhill - Teaching Assistant
Carly Maudsley— Teaching Assistant
Jasmine Sanders—Teaching Assistant

Donations and fund raising



A huge thank you to everyone who donated. The overall weight was 1040 kilos, we raised an incredible **£312**. This will go towards our new sensory garden.

The Gatsby Benchmark

We are thrilled to inform you that Critchill School has achieved 100% of The Gatsby Benchmarks. The eight benchmarks are a framework for good career guidance developed to support schools in providing students with the best possible careers education, information, advice, and guidance.

The eight Gatsby benchmarks of Good Career Guidance are

1. A stable careers programme
2. Learning from career and labour market information
3. Addressing the needs of each pupil
4. Linking curriculum learning to careers
5. Encounters with employers and employees
6. Experiences of workplaces
7. Encounters with further and higher education
8. Personal guidance

This is a huge achievement for the school and we would especially like to recognise the hard work of our Working Futures Lead Sally Smiles who has been instrumental in securing this status.

School News..

Class of the term— Bramblings

Last term, Bramblings Class won 'Class of the Term!' The whole class have worked extremely hard over the last few months working towards their Personal Learning Intention Maps whilst exploring their theme of 'Where in the World is Barnaby Bear?' Students learnt about different countries and traditions and were awarded stars for excellent work and engagement.



Owls have enjoyed learning about Frome this term. We have explored its history and built our geographical understanding of the area. We have been carrying out research about the local community and having lots of fun exploring different job roles and thinking about our working futures. We are looking forward to meeting Mark Dorrington, a local town councillor, to share his knowledge about the local community and future opportunities and services within Frome.



Greek and South Africa Day The children took part and enjoyed a variety of different activities throughout the day. They also had the chance to try some delicious home made Greek and South African food. Some of them found it so delicious they even asked for the recipe!



School News..

Wrens took part in a musical mark making activity as part of our Beat & Boogie theme. They had bells around their ankles and listened to the jingles as they made marks with their painted feet.



Nuthatches enjoyed a trip to the Walled Garden at Mells . The children had a tour of the garden exploring the different plants, they enjoyed planting and watering them.



We are pleased that some of our Post 16 students have been given the opportunity to carry out some work experience opportunities, including a local garden nursery, cafe and children's nursery.

The theme this term for KS2 was Secret Gardens, Nuthatches, Finches and Starlings have all been to visit The Walled Garden at Mells. This gave the students the opportunity to have a tour of the garden, find out about the jobs in the garden and also plant some strawberry plants.

Thank you to Mark Dorrington who visited Owls and Kestrels class to talk about his different job roles including paid work and volunteering. It was also an opportunity for students to find out a bit more about Frome and the businesses as part of their theme 'Frome a local study'

Post 16 students gave a talk to Hawks class about the opportunities in Post 16 and the work they do.

We are always looking for employer engagement opportunities. If you are able to help at all then please contact Sally Smiles.

Quality in Careers Standard

We are pleased to confirm that the Governors and staff of Critchill School are committed to gaining The Quality in Careers Standard.

Our aim is to provide an outstanding programme of careers education, information, advice and guidance that satisfies national requirements and enables us to address the career development needs of all our students in a deeply personalised way.

If you would like any further information on the Quality in Careers Standard, please visit <https://cswgroup.co.uk/csw-investor-in-careers/investor-in-careers/>

At Critchill School we have a diverse, engaging and aspirational CEIAG curriculum. It has been explicitly devised to ensure that pupils can make informed choices about their future whilst also developing the skills and capabilities that they will need for employment and to thrive in all areas of their lives.

Through our CEIAG curriculum we support our pupils to achieve their full potential and be the best that they can be. We measure success holistically, we recognise that it will be different for each pupil and that it can be measured in a number of ways including personal wellbeing, community engagement and sustainable employment.

The 8 Gatsby Benchmarks for good careers guidance

The Gatsby Benchmarks are a set of 8 standards that research suggests define best practice in regards to careers education and guidance.

Come and join the Friends of Egford Park!

Saturday 29 th May 11am – 12pm

In the park

Find out how you can get involved in our wonderful local park and green space:

- Join the Friends group
- Talk about plans, including the Tiny Forest
- Get involved in events and campaigns
- Do some litter-picking



Everyone welcome! If you can't make it but want to know more, email: friendsofegfordpark@gmail.com

School Uniform

We have changed our supplier to LGS Printing and Embroidery. They are a local business based in Frome. All details including the order form can be found on the schools website

Safeguarding

For information our Safeguarding procedure in school is to provide our Visitors and Volunteers with a comprehensive information leaflet when coming into the school. Our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy is available in

Medication in School

Prescribed medication can only be administered in school upon completion of a completed 'Parental Consent to Administer Medication Form'.

Non-prescription medicines should not normally be administered in school. Parents /Carers are welcome to come into school to administer this if they wish.