



It has been a wet and wild week (with luckily not too much water causing a problem at school, except for the odd puddle!) and we have tried to get the children outside whenever we have been able to. We were hoping that we would be able to have the FOLS Sponsored Run, which Mrs Brooks has been organising with Mr Groves, next Tuesday. However with the amount of rain that has fallen, plus more forecast this weekend, we have made an early decision to postpone this until the ground is a little safer to run on. All being well, this will now take place the following Tuesday but we will always put the safety and welfare of the children first when making these decisions. Please do keep looking for sponsors as all the money raised will be going towards new playground markings for our children to enjoy at break and lunchtimes.

We are looking at sending out our annual parent questionnaire in the next few weeks. The views of parents and carers are an integral part of how our school community works and last year we were very keen to receive both positive feedback and improvement comments, so that we could work together to make the school an even better place for our children to learn. One of the key areas last year that was identified was around children's work and progress and as a result, on the last week of Term 3 before the half-term break each class will be opening up for a half hour session for parents/carers to drop in and see what their child has been learning. The dates will be sent out in next week's newsletter.

There are some exciting trips planned for the children during Terms 3 and 4 related to the history topics they are studying. These will enhance the learning that is taking place in class at the moment. Details of these will follow shortly, along with letters.

Finally, if you have a child due to start their Reception year in September 2023, please remember that the deadline for admissions is this Sunday - January 15th.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Turull and Mrs Phillips

Diary Dates

January

Wednesday 18th	Swimming Gala at Frome Leisure Centre
Tuesday 24th	FOLS Sponsored Run
Monday 30th	Swallow Class Trip to Royal Crescent, Bath

February

Tuesday 1st	Kingfishers Class Trip (details to follow)
w/c Monday 6th	Class Drop-In Sessions (exact dates for each class to be shared next week)
Wednesday 8th	MNSP Speak Out Event (Year 6)
Friday 10th	Term 3 ends



News from the Classrooms



This week in Robins, we have been exploring ice and cold. We've been dressing up in hats and scarves and playing with ice and finding the animals frozen in it!



This week in Science we identified different materials and their properties, we also categorised objects according to the material they are made of. We had lots of fun discovering toys from the past and learning about the lives of children in the past. In art, we identified the primary colours and experimented with mixing them and we had fun exploring the Paintz app.



Starlings have continued looking at non-chronological writing. This week we acted out some jobs (both nice and horrible) that pirates did before writing about them.



Goldfinches have started their new History topic this week, the Ancient Egyptians. We have been looking at Egyptian scrolls and paintings and have used Egyptian images to help inspire us for our own artwork.



Swallows have had an investigation filled week! We have examined various historical sources from Georgian times, researched contrasting viewpoints on screen use and completed an experiment related to thermal conductors - we now know which material can keep a liquid warm for the longest and why.



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**NEXT
MEETING**



**Tuesday 17th
January**



19:30-21:30



**Holcome Farm Shop
and kitchen (the Duke).
We will be in the
restaurant. Bar service
available!**