Leigh on Mendip School Nurturing Curious Minds

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Today, all the children in the school and preschool have been enjoying World Book Day. They have taken part in different activities throughout the day, with each teacher working with every class. The pupils - and staff - look fantastic dressed up as a variety of characters from all sorts of books. We will put a collage of photos in next week's newsletter.

It has been a busy week of parents' evenings. I hope all of you that attended found the sessions useful with information on your child's progress, as well as the opportunity to look at the books and the work that they have been completing in the last few months. If you were unable to attend and haven't yet scheduled a visit, please contact the school office and we will find a time and date.

Many of you will know Miss Smith, who has been a lunchtime supervisor with us for almost a year now. We are really pleased to let you know that this week she has started in a new role with us, as an apprentice teaching assistant. This means that Miss Smith will get to spend time in each class, alongside our current staff.

As you may be aware, we have some children in the school who learn musical instruments through Music for Schools teacher, Mrs Garland. They offer tuition for brass and woodwind instruments and will be coming in next week to deliver an assembly for the school. We will then send out letters for any children who may be interested in starting to learn one of these instruments.

Finally, please remember that you are invited into school next Friday afternoon for some amazing science experiments. Please come to the school office from 1:15pm where you can join your child in class.

Mr Turull

Diary Dates

March	
Wednesday 6th	IG Sports Street Dance (session 3 of 3) for Year 4
Friday 8th	Fizz Pop Science visitor to launch Science Week in school
Monday 11th - Fri 15th	British Science Week supported by FOLS
Friday 15th	Science Open Afternoon 1.15pm - 2.30pm
Wednesday 13th	Year of Recorder Concert at Cheese and Grain for Year 3. Rehearsal 4pm
-	Performance 5.30 - 6.30pm
Thursday 14th	Year 2 Archery with Ian Groves (session 1 of 3)
Friday 15th	Red Nose Day - wear something red to school and make a donation
Thursday 21st	Year 2 Archery with Ian Groves (session 2 of 3)
-	OperaPlus workshop for Key Stage 2
Monday 25th	OperaPlus Concert at Cheese and Grain for KS2
Thursday 28th	Year 2 Archery with Ian Groves (session 3 of 3)
-	FOLS Easter Egg Hunt after school

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Weekly Diary for Term 4

Monday	pm - Violin lesson for Goldfinch Class
	after school Craft Club with Mrs Layland and Mrs Newbury
Tuesday	8.00 am Breakfast Club organised by Mr Groves
	PE for all children with Mr Groves
	Lunchtime - Recorder Club with Mrs Ball (KS1)
	after school Sports Club with Mr Groves
Wednesday	8.00 am Breakfast Club organised by Mr Groves
	Lunchtime - Eco Club with Mrs Smith
	after school - Drop in sessions in all classes
	after school - Sunflower Club organised by Mr Groves
Thursday	8.00 am Breakfast Club organised by Mr Groves
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	after school - Football Club with Mr and Mrs Ball
	after school - Dance Club with Mrs Smith
Friday	pm - Forest School for Kingfisher Class and PE for Starling Class

News from the Classrooms



This week in Robins we've been continuing learning about farms and farm animals this week and reading *A Squash and A Squeeze*. We made our own sensory farm which the children all enjoyed.



This week Kingfisher class revisited *A Squash and A Squeeze*, a great Julia Donaldson Book in their Drawing club. In Music, we learnt how to mark the beat of a song and continued learning more stories from the Bible. In Art we went foraging for natural materials to make our own landscape art.



In Starling Class, for Design Technology, we looked at vehicles and how their wheels move. We then experimented with making our own with wheels, axles and axle holders



Goldfinch class had so much fun during World Book Day and they all looked amazing dressed up today! Our book The Black Book of Colours has inspired them to write their own description of colour using their senses.



Swallow Class have enjoyed their week of learning from biography writing in English to reflecting on friendship in PSHE. We also spent time investigating and understanding voltage in Science and exploring a whole host of books as part of World Book Day.









