Leigh on Mendip School Nurturing Curious Minds

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As you will know, communication has been a significant area for us to keep working on this year and I am pleased that we have made progress with this. Seesaw is now working well in all classes and our new system for sending out group emails has also proved to be successful. A few parents have attended the coffee mornings, with the next one taking place on Wednesday 8th May. We also have our drop-in sessions which give you an opportunity to spend some time in class with your child for half an hour at the end of a day. These are confirmed as: Monday 20th May for Swallows, Tuesday 21st for Starlings, Wednesday 22nd for Goldfinches and Thursday 24th for Kingfishers. We will also work with our new preschool lead to look at something similar for Robins.

There is a slight change to the dates we sent out last week. I met with Mr Groves this week and we spoke about the upcoming sports events. We are looking at an Olympic-themed sponsored event at school on Tuesday 21sy May to help raise funds for the summer trips that the children will be going on. FOLS are always very generous but they do not have an endless supply of money and it would be great to support them with fundraising. We have also had to move Sports Day - apologies if any of you had already booked this off work - to the reserve date. Therefore we have scheduled the event for the morning of Tuesday 18th June, with a reserve date of Tuesday 9th July.

Mr Turull

News from the Classrooms



This week in Robins we are still learning about minibeasts and we have been making Bees and ladybirds





In science the Kingfishers explored a plant's life cycle, we planted seeds and will now watch them grow inside a see-through bag. In maths, we continued to create patterns and learned to count to 20 and beyond. In expressive arts we also started our weaving project, the children are very proud of their work.





This term in Wren woods we have decided to try to make natural musical instruments!! We are linking this to our English book 'The Bear and the Piano' where the bear finds an unusual object in the middle of a forest.





Goldfinch class have been learning how to shade to create tone in their drawings. They practised their pencil hold and used their observation skills to check where the light source was to create shadows.





Swallows enjoyed creating sculpture from bars of soap this week using various tools and inspiration from the artist Barbara Hepworth. Gregor said, "I like how it used our creative minds", while Ruby said she liked being able to create the details. We also liked how nice it made our classroom smell!



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Diary Dates

April

Monday 29th Class Photos with Nigel Coles School Photographer

May

Wednesday 1st Goldfinch Class trip to Earth Science Centre

Monday 6th Bank Holiday

Wednesday 8th Coffee Morning (9:00am)
Thursday 9th Dental Survey for 5 year olds

Saturday 11th FOLS Plant Sale 10 - 12 midday at Memorial Hall (poster below)

Mon 13th - Thurs 16th Key Stage 2 SATS week for Year 6 pupils

Friday 17th Kingfisher Class and Starling Class Trip to Carymoor (NEW DATE)

Mon 20th - Thurs 23rd Parent Drop In sessions - see days above

Friday 24th End of Term 5

