Leigh on Mendip School Nurturing Curious Minds

Newsletter 33 – 9th June 2023



We want to start this week's newsletter by sending our very best wishes to Jack who you may have heard, has been very poorly and is currently in Bristol Children's Hospital. We all hope that he makes a good recovery and look forward to seeing him again soon.

After considering all the options, we have now put together the proposed class structure for September. Being a small school with a different amount of pupil numbers in each cohort, there is often a need to change this from year to year and we make these decisions based on what we believe is best for our pupils. Please see below the classes, class teachers, support staff and class sizes as we anticipate them to be in September.

Robins	Preschool	Chris, Sarah and Fi (preschool staff) (Mrs Layland as preschool lead)	Varying numbers
Kingfishers	Reception	Mrs Layland (class teacher) Mrs Brooks/Mrs Phelps (teaching assistants)	14
Starlings	Years 1 and 2	Mrs Ball (class teacher) Mrs Brooks/Mrs Phelps (teaching assistants)	25
Goldfinches	Year 3	Mrs Smith/Mrs Phillips (class teachers) Mrs Gomes/Mrs Patton (teaching assistants)	20
Swallows	Years 4, 5 and 6	Miss Dillon (class teacher) Mrs Gomes/Mrs Patton (teaching assistants)	28

FOLS held the first of our 'Ice Lolly Fridays' today - a real success and one which we are hoping to replicate each Friday during the summer term.

With a Met Office weather warning for heat over the weekend and into the beginning of next week, can we please remind you to ensure your children are coming to school with a sun hat, a full water bottle and with sun cream applied. Depending on how hot it gets, we may make adjustments to learning outside, as well as lunchtimes.

Please note that we have amended some of the dates in the diary section below. Feel free to contact the school if you have any questions about the events taking place this term.

Finally, we would like to say a huge thank you to some of our parents - Pat Taylor, Alex Joiner, Silas Jewitt and Emma Gardner - for all of their superb effort in clearing the pond and making it an area that can be used for learning once again. As you can see from the photo on the right, they have certainly been very busy over the last few weeks and we would like to express our gratitude from all the children and staff.



Mrs Phillips Mr Turull

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Diary Dates

June

Thursday 22nd Picnic for new Reception starters
Monday 26th RAGS 2 RICHES collection
Mon 26th - Fri 30th Arts Week (details to follow)
Thursday 29th GB athlete to visit school

July

Thursday 6th Transfer afternoon

Friday 7th Starlings and Goldfinches trip to Wells Cathedral

Tuesday 11th Sports Day

Goldfinch play evening performance Goldfinch play afternoon performance

Wednesday 12th Goldfinch play afternot Tuesday 18th Reserve Sports Day

News from the Classrooms



This week in Robins our topic has been Dragons, we've been making them and building castles for them to live in.





This week in PSED the Kingfishers explored the stages of human life, in DT we designed and constructed a windmill and we continued to learn new sounds and tricky words in Phonics.





In Starlings this week we have looked at maps in Art. We sorted old & new ones and real & artistic ones. We then created our own artistic maps of our journey to school





This week in Art we sketched flowers and the different parts of flowers, adding the tiny details we could see using a magnifying glass. We used shading to make it look 3D and we were not allowed to use any coloured pencils.





Swallows have loved being back at school with lots of moments outside including returning to Wren Woods and beginning auditions for our upcoming play.

