



Thank you to everyone who came along and joined us at St Giles' Church on Wednesday morning for our Harvest Festival. It was lovely to see all of our children singing so well in the Church as well as presenting poems and paintings. We were staggered by the amount of food that the children brought in as donations for the Somer Valley Foodbank - incredible kindness from our families at a time when so many are struggling.

The children in all classes have started to bring home knowledge organisers relating to the work they are doing in school. These contain key facts and vocabulary that the children are learning in class this term. Some of these also contain small quizzes which you can try out at home. New organisers, as well as termly overviews, will be added to our website at the beginning of November.

Please remember that we will be holding our parent consultation sessions on the first week back of Term 2 (Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd November). The sign up sheets are up outside the office, so you can either come in and choose a time or phone/email the office and we will add you to the lists.

Finally, a reminder that all children need a pair of wellies in school. This is particularly important next term as we are intending to carry on using the field at lunchtime, but it will potentially be wet and muddy. It is important that we use all the space available to us so the children can spread out and are not all having to fit on the lower playground.

**Mr Turull and Mrs Phillips**

### **Diary Dates for the Autumn Term**

#### **Each Week**

Monday	<u>pm</u> - Violin lesson for Goldfinch Class and Forest School for Starling Class <u>after school</u> Dance Club
Tuesday	<u>8.00 am</u> Breakfast Club PE for all children with Mr Groves <u>after school</u> Sports Club with Mr Groves
Wednesday	<u>8.00 am</u> Breakfast Club <u>after school</u> - Sunflower Club
Thursday	<u>8.00 am</u> Breakfast Club <u>pm</u> - Swimming lesson for Goldfinch Class <u>after school</u> - Sign Language Club
Friday	<u>pm</u> - Forest School for Kingfisher Class

#### **October**

Friday 21st	INSET Day before the half term holiday
Monday 31st	Start of Term 2 FOLS Halloween Disco at school 3.15pm - 4.30pm

#### **November**

Wednesday 2nd	Parents evening
Thursday 3rd	Parents evening
Wednesday 9th	Open afternoon 1.30pm - 3pm



### News from the Classrooms

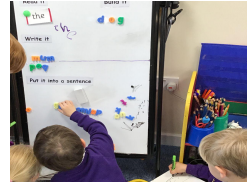


This week in Robins we've been reading *The Three Little Pigs*, talking about what houses are made of and making our own straw, stick and brick houses.

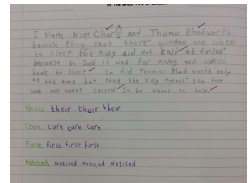


The highlight of our week was certainly the Harvest Festival, I hope you all agree the children were fantastic!

In class we completed our topic about animal characteristics and their habitats and we practised writing tricky words.



For our final piece of learning on *The Great Fire of London* we were thinking about who we think we would blame for the fire spreading so quickly. This is what one child thought.



In Key Stage 2, we have created an Autumn scene featuring a harvest moon. We all listened to the same set of instructions and considered what was needed. There were quite a few complex techniques to practice whilst completing this work. For example, we had to use our brushes in different ways to create texture and shape.



We also practised our colour mixing skills by only starting with primary colours. Overlapping and blending colours together were more key techniques to complete our paintings.

We hope you like our pictures - we had fun making them!



### FOLS NEWS

Following the AGM this week a new committee has been confirmed for this year. Congratulations to Natalie Light who is the new Chairperson, to Sophie West who is the new Vice Chair and to Jen Mullier who is the new Treasurer.

Lianne Concannon was also voted in as the new Communications Officer, and Chantelle Monti agreed to be the secretary for another year.

FOLS are organising a Halloween Disco on 31st October and need volunteers to help run this after school event. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer outside the office.