



NEWSLETTER 15 – 12th June 2026

‘Let your light shine’

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DIARY DATES

DATE	ACTIVITY	ADDITIONAL INFO
Monday 15th June – Thursday 18th June	Sports Week	All week Event of Different kinds of Physical Activities
Wednesday 17th June	Owl Class to Chippenham Games	Stanley Park
Friday 19th June	Sports Day	
Sunday 21st June	Bowood Family Picnic	12pm Start
Monday 22nd June	Fox Class Taster Day to Abbeyfield	All Day Event
Monday 22nd June	Squirrel Class Field Trip to Bowood	(Change of Date) All Day Event
Wednesday 24th June	Fox Class Field Trip to Bowood	All Day Event
Wednesday 24th June	Dormouse Trip to Butterfly World	All Day Event
Wednesday 1st July	Rabbit Class Trip to Linkenholt	All Day Event
Monday 6th July	TD Day	School Closed to Children
Tuesday 7th July	Fox Class Taster Day to Kingsbury Green	All Day Event
Thursday 9th July	Fox Family Learning Afternoon	2pm (Hall)
Thursday 9th & Friday 10th July	Owl Class Transition Days to Sheldon	All Day Events
Friday 10th July	Owl Class Transition Day to Hardenhuish	All Day Event
Saturday 11th July	Village Fete	Details to Follow
Thursday 16th July	Rock Steady Concert	2.30pm (Hall) For Parents of Children Attending Rock Steady
Thursday 16th July	Owl Class Transition Day to Abbeyfield	All Day Event
Friday 17th July	Reports Out to Parents	
Monday 20th July	Move up Day	Details to Follow
Tuesday 21st July	Move Up Day	Details to Follow
Wednesday 22nd July	Leavers Service	9.15am (Church) For parents of Owl
Wednesday 22nd July	End of Term 6	2.15pm



Staffing update

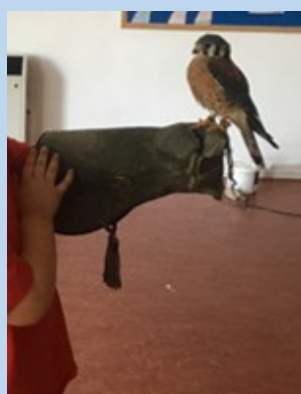
We are very pleased to share the exciting news that we have successfully appointed two new teachers for September who will be teaching in Key Stage One. Miss Leach will be teaching in Mole class and Mrs Elmes will be teaching 4 days a week in Hedgehog Class with Mrs Asfaw continuing to teach on a Monday. Both Miss Leach and Mrs Elmes will have opportunities to come into school before the end of the year to ensure a smooth induction process for both our new staff and your children.

We are now able to confirm our class structure for next year as follows:

Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistants
Dormouse Class	Miss Hopes	Mrs Hand
Mole Class	Miss Leach	Mrs Green
Hedgehog Class	Mrs Asfaw (Mon) & Mrs Elmes	Mrs Snow
Squirrel Class	Miss Hurren	Mrs Lee
Rabbit Class	Mr Heavey	Mrs Williams
Fox Class	Mr Riley & Mrs Asfaw (Wed)	Mrs Dolman & Miss While
Owl Class	Mrs Shears & Mrs Asfaw (Fri)	Mrs Hubbard

Mole Class Falconry Visit

Mole Class thoroughly enjoyed their visit from South Wilts Falconry. Everyone got the opportunity to hold an American Kestrel and we had lots of giggles when Steve the Owl, decided to misbehave and watch us from the top of the apparatus! We got to see a variety of birds of prey, including an Eagle Owl which had a very funny walk!



Owl Class Residential

Just before half-term, Owl Class went on their residential trip to North Devon. Our Year 6 children represented Derry Hill brilliantly, the children pushed their boundaries and accomplished many challenges. The weeks activities consisted of: archery, mountain boarding, rock climbing, night-line, paddleboarding, surfing, high ropes and many more.

A huge thank you for Mrs Olnor and Mr Orchard who helped facilitate this trip.

Mr Heavey.



Ice Lolly

FRIDAY'S



EVERY FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL
Front Playground

12TH JUNE 17TH JUL

STARTING FROM 50P

Helping to raise fund for
Friends of Derry Hill School

School Packed Lunches for Trips

We have noticed a lot of food waste when it comes to ordering a school packed lunch on trip days.

If your child is going on a school trip and you are supplying them with a packed lunch from home, please do not order one on school grid, this will save food waste in the school kitchen.

Also a reminder that the last date for ordering a packed lunch for a school trip is the day before the trip is to take place and by mid-day at the latest, otherwise there may not be enough availability to make a packed lunch for your child.

Thank you for your co-operation



DORMOUSE CLASS

DONATION STATION

We are very fortunate to have lots of lovely resources in school, however we are always on the lookout for things to further inspire our children!

We would be extremely grateful if you were able to source/donate any of the following items (we will update this regularly so please keep an eye out!)



CARDBOARD TUBES

WE ARE LOOKING FOR LOTS OF CARDBOARD TUBES OF VARYING SIZES IF YOU HAVE ANY AT HOME YOU'D BE WILLING TO DONATE.

THESE WILL BE ADDED TO OUR EVER GROWING CONSTRUCTION COLLECTION.



WOODEN PLANKS



WHEN PAINTED WE WILL CREATE ROADS



WE ARE LOOKING FOR WOODEN PLANKS PLEASE!

SMALL WORLD: ROADS, RACE TRACKS, CONSTRUCTION
EXPRESSIVE ART & DESIGN: IMAGINATIVE PLAY
PHYSICAL: FINE + GROSS MOTOR SKILLS

PLASTIC GUTTERING

WE ARE LOOKING FOR LOTS OF PLASTIC GUTTERING OF VARYING SIZES (NOT TOO LONG AS THESE WILL BE BEING USED INSIDE) IF YOU HAVE ANY AT HOME YOU'D BE WILLING TO DONATE.

THESE WILL BE ADDED TO OUR EVER GROWING CONSTRUCTION COLLECTION.



SOCKS

WE ARE QUITE SHORT ON SPARE SOCKS, IF YOU ARE HAVING A CLEAR OUT AT HOME WE WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THEM.



BABY DOLL ACCESSORIES

WE WOULD LOVE SOME ACCESSORIES FOR BABY DOLLIES, INCLUDING:

- BOTTLES
- DUMMIES
- UNUSED NAPPIES
- CLOTHING (TO FIT BABY SIZED DOLLS)

IF YOU HAVE ANY SPARE BABIES THAT YOU ARE WILLING TO DONATE WE WOULD ALSO BE VERY GRATEFUL.



TECHNOLOGY FOCUS

We would love to create a new area in the classroom focussing on technology and the ever evolving world around us. If you have any of the following items at home and are able to donate, we will be forever thankful!

TYPE WRITER

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A TYPEWRITER (DOES NOT NEED TO BE IN WORKING ORDER BUT WOULD BE GREAT IF IT WAS!)

LITERACY: LETTER FORMATION, LETTER RECOGNITION
EXPRESSIVE ART + DESIGN: IMAGINATIVE PLAY
PSIED: PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS, LOGICAL REASONING
PHYSICAL: FINE MOTOR



CD PLAYER

YES WE MAY BE SLIGHTLY MAD FOR SUGGESTING THIS... BUT WE ARE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR A CD PLAYER (IN WORKING ORDER). CHILD APPROPRIATE CD'S WOULD BE A BONUS!

UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORLD: TECHNOLOGY, TOYS FROM THE PAST, CULTURAL AWARENESS
EXPRESSIVE ART + DESIGN: MUSIC
PHYSICAL SKILLS: GROSS MOTOR (DANCING/MOVING TO MUSIC), FINE MOTOR



AMAZON WISHLIST

We also have an amazon wishlist. Please do not feel obliged at all to purchase anything from this list but if you would like too we would be extremely grateful.

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