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It's been great finally getting some summer sunshine this week which made for a lovely Sports Day on Tuesday. The children all enjoyed the various activities led by Mr Groves and his team; thank you to all of them for organising the morning and for all of the fantastic support we got from parents and families. Congratulations to all the children in Air House for winning the Sports Day Cup!

We have been busy organising our Arts Week which this year will take place on the penultimate week of term (July 8th - 12th). Thanks to funding from FOLS we have managed to secure some very exciting workshops during the week including drama with the Bristol Old Vic Theatre School, stunt dance with Bath All Starz and music with Zangi, a UK based Kenyan gospel artist who led fantastic sessions at one of my other schools. We are also planning a whole school nature walk and some parents are coming in to do some clay modelling around our theme of sea creatures. Finally we have an ambitious project that we are undertaking - we would like to start the redecoration of the outside of the Robins classroom - again on the sea creature theme. The idea is that we prepare the wall beforehand and then during the week, the children will all get to take part in the redecoration. In the meantime, Mrs Layland has kindly offered to oversee the project but we will need help, so if there are any parents who would be available in the week before Arts Week to come and do some initial painting, then please contact the school office; it would be great to have a working party to help us.

Thank you to everyone who has sent in their sponsor money following our Run to Paris. We initially set the deadline as today, but if you do have any money still to pay in, we will of course be very grateful to receive it! We will let you know the total raised next week.

Next Monday will see the culmination of several weeks' work as the children in Swallows and Goldfinches take to the stage at Writhlington School for their performance of Cinderella Rockerfella. They have worked really hard on the play and are very excited to be performing on such a big stage. We look forward to welcoming you to the event, which starts at 6pm. Doors open at 5.45pm.

Mr Turull

June	Diary Dates
Monday 24th	Goldfinch and Swallow Class at Writhlington School all day rehearsing play
Tuesday 25th	6pm performance of Cinderella Rockerfella at Writhlington Theatre AM Year 4 Frome Olympics event at Oakfield Academy
July	
Tuesday 2nd	Swallow Class Day Trip to Hollywood Bowl, Longwell Green
Wednesday 3rd	Life Education Workshops in school Rec yr - Year 6
Thursday 4th	Transfer Day for MNSP schools. New reception year in school PM
Friday 5th	Years 5 & 6 Day Trip to Weymouth
Mon 8th - Fri 12th	ARTS WEEK with various events. More details to follow soon.
Monday 8th	Years 5 & 6 Day Trip to Black Rock Outdoor Centre
Mon 15th	AM Swallow Class at Singing Festival at Cheese and Grain, Frome
	More details to follow soon.
Thurs 18th	Kingfisher Class and Starling Class Day Trip to Noah's Ark Zoo Farm
Fri 19th	11am Celebration Assembly in Memorial Hall. Parents welcome to attend
	Last Day of Term

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News from the Classrooms

Robin Class have been enjoying lots of different Summer themed activities this week; they explored ice-paint sticks and created a large scale painting in the garden. The children enjoyed playing football, taking it in turns to be in goal. They then made England flags ready for the football match!

This week children in Kingfisher class continued with the topic of space exploration. Sadly we also said goodbye to our chicks since they have now outgrown their pen.

Starling class went on a lovely walk around the village this week looking at what physical and human features a rural village like Leigh has. We also looked at the different types of houses. Next week we will use this information to write a recount of our walk.

Goldfinch class had an action packed morning at the Frome Olympics Festival on Wednesday. They were able to take part in a wide range of sporting activities and they all put in 100% effort. We will get the team results in a few weeks and let the children know as soon as we have them.

Swallows have had a lovely week with a fun filled Sports Day and lots of amazing work on our play - not long until we can share this wonderful production with you all!





















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Whole School News



Coronation Park

We are very proud of our children for designing the new sign at the 'Coronation Park' in Leigh on Mendip. They spent a morning at school working together on their design and we are delighted with the results. Well done to Liucija, Aurora, Adele and Alfie-James - what a beautiful creation!

Natural History Museum

Goldfinch class and Swallow class had the most wonderful time at the Natural History Museum in London. They were wowed by everything they got to see. Their behaviour was impeccable and they made their teachers proud. Here are some things that the children said about their trip.

Dexter - "I was amazed by the enormous whale."

Sophia - "I loved the insect area, there were thousands!"

Jess - "I enjoyed seeing all the different species of bird."

Tilly - "I was fascinated by all the sparkly gems."

Caitlin - "The earthquake was terrifying."

Wilf - "I was blown away by the red zone because it taught me loads about the earth's surface."









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Friday 12th July 7-9pm Leigh on Mendip Memorial Hall

LEARN HOW TO MAKE A SIMPLE COLLAGRAPH PRINT WHILST SIPPING A GLASS OR TWO OF BUBBLES.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

£15 pp includes a glass of fizz & some nibbles (Tickets available from the School Office. Places are limited so be quick!)

Raising funds for Leigh on Mendip

All materials will be provided but please bring an apron or cover-up.