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I would like to thank all of the volunteers who attended the Glastonbury Festival last weekend to raise money for our school. As in previous years this was coordinated by Mrs Brooks, who put together the team and led them at the event, so a huge thanks to her for all of her efforts. Every year this raises much needed funds and we are very grateful to those who give up their time to support the school.

Miss Isaac came in for the morning to spend some time with next year's Swallow Class on Thursday. This was a very useful session for the children to get to know her and also for Miss Isaac to get to know the school a little better. She will pop back in once more before the summer break. Following on from her appointment, we are pleased to announce that we have also successfully interviewed for a teaching assistant this week and will be able to give you more details on that in the next newsletter.

We would like to officially welcome Sky who joined Goldfinch Class last week. He has been getting to know his classmates, who have been making him feel very welcome.

Next week is Arts Week and we have a lot of wonderful activities planned for the children. On Monday we have two of our talented parents, Jen Mullier and Lizzie Lewis, coming in to make sea creatures out of clay with all the classes as well as the preschool. We have a whole school and preschool walk planned for Tuesday morning with some art work to be completed back at school in the afternoon. For both of these days, can children please come to school wearing their forest school clothes, in case they get clay on and also to avoid nettle stings and with the risk of ticks on the way there and back.

We then have workshops for the rest of the week, with Bristol Old Vic Theatre School coming in on Wednesday for drama, Zangi Music Man hosting some singing workshops on Thursday and Bath All Starz with some stunt dance workshops on Friday. Please can children all come to school in PE kit for the Friday sessions. Look out for photos next week of all the exciting activities.

Mr Turull

Diary Dates

<u>July</u>

Mon 8th - Fri 12th ARTS WEEK with various events.

Monday 8th Years 5 & 6 Day Trip to Black Rock Outdoor Centre

Goldfinch Violin Performance (2:45pm)

Friday 12th FOLS Parent Fundraiser - Print & Prosecco - Poster attached

Monday 15th AM Swallow Class at Singing Festival at Cheese and Grain, Frome

More details to follow soon.

Thursday 18th Kingfisher Class and Starling Class Day Trip to Noah's Ark Zoo Farm Friday 19th 11am Celebration Assembly in Memorial Hall. Parents welcome to attend

Last Day of Term

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News from the Classrooms



We have been enjoying lots of different pirate themed activities in Robin Class this week. The children have followed a map of the school to find hidden treasure, built their own pirate ship and listened to sea shanty music. On Thursday, we spoke about the general election and decided on our own rules. The children voted for which story they would like to listen to at circle time.





This week we had lots of fun reading "The Dinosaur that pooped a pirate" and the children's creative writing was also amazing. On Thursday we also welcomed our new friends who will be joining as the new 2024-25 Reception class.





This week in Starlings in English we have been working on writing instructions. We made chatterboxes yesterday to follow instructions, paying particular attention to the instructions and how easy or hard they are to follow.





This week Goldfinch class have been having fun exploring at Wren Woods and seeing how different it looks in the summer season from the last time we were there. We listened to birds and were able to identify some, before playing our own bird song game.





Swallow class enjoyed a lovely end of year treat trip bowling this week! Lots of competitiveness as well as some fantastic bowling skills were on show and the children all had so much fun!



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