Dear Parents and friends,

Welcome to the March Newsletter. What a fun filled month it has been, from t-shirts to snow boots and back again!

The children have enjoyed participating and representing the school in a number of events, activities and trips. I have enjoyed hearing about these from the children and have once again been very proud of the way in which our children behave in a wide range of different situations.

Please enjoy the Easter break and we look forward to more fun filled learning activities in the Summer term.

Nicola Bell

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**World Book Day**

Despite the cold, snowy weather, the children all came into school dressed as their favourite book character for World Book Day.

A big thank you to Mrs Parry’s daughter who gave us an amazing ‘Willy Wonka’ Chocolate Cake. It was very gratefully received along with the hot chocolate! Yummy!!

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**Bibles for Schools**

The children in Years 2, 3 and 4 were delighted to receive their new bibles. These were heavily subsidised by Bibles For Schools and contributed to by St Leonard’s Church. Rev Jonathon Morris presented the children with their bibles.
After all the snowfall it was lovely to come into school on a beautiful Spring morning and see all the wonderful Easter Bonnet creations the children had obviously worked so hard to make. The children were very proud to parade their bonnets through the village to the Misterton MUGA. Thank you to the parents that came along to show their support. Thank you to Helen Johnson from the Misterton WI who had the very difficult task of judging the bonnets in each year group. Well done to everyone! Everyone was awarded with a Cadbury’s Cream egg kindly donated by the WI. Also a very big thank you to the Misterton PTA who donated all the prizes. Once the judging was over the children enjoyed taking part in the annual egg and spoon races!

Easter Bonnet Competition 2018

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The Year Four children from Misterton, Haselbury Plucknett and Ashlands First Schools visited Wells Cathedral to have the chance to reflect on their time at their First schools and think about their move onto Middle school. The children took part in a musical activity, a tour of the cathedral and a drama workshop.

“My favourite part of Wells Cathedral was the tour, I got to learn about all the different sculptures.” Chloe

“I really enjoyed learning about the jumbled up stained glass window and the organ as it has over 400 pipes.” Will

“I liked the jumbled up stained glass window. The window had to be replaced as soldiers didn’t like the pictures on the window so broke it. The cathedral put the window back jumbled up rather than replace it” Samuel

Easter Bonnet Parade

Year 4 Wells Visit

BACS Payments

Please can you ensure that you use the following codes for making BACS payments:

Pre-fix with 122

71300 Clubs
71504 Trips
71505 Swimming
73109 Meals
75002 Breakfast Club

Followed by surname

Thank you

Helpful Contacts

Children’s Social Care: 0300 123 2224

Local Authority Designated Officer: Anthony Goble (number as above)

Childline: 0800 1111
NSPCC: 0808 800 5000

Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Nicola Ball and our Deputy Safeguarding Leads (DDSL) are Lisa Carter and Will Pearse. Please find below some recommended websites:

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe
https://getsetsomerset.org.uk/
https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents

We also have Mrs Bell, our ELSA (Emotional Literacy, Support Assistant) who is trained to provide emotional and social skills support to the children. If you have any concerns about your child at home or school see the office to book an appointment.
Waste Week

As part of Science week the school took part in Waste Week. We learnt about ways to reduce our food waste and worked all week to reduce the waste in our lunchboxes. The children thought about how they could put their food in small reusable tubs or reusing plastic bags. To finish the week we worked across the school to answer a waste themed quiz.

Miss Wines

Gymnastics Competition

Last week, Chloe represented Misterton in a gymnastic competition with children from Ashlands at Orchard Gymnastics in Yeovil against schools from around the area. They had to remember and perform a floor routine. Happily they performed in front of 13 other teams with no hesitation from any of them. They got very excited when they knew they were vaulting as well. At the end they were given the opportunity to use some of the equipment. Although we didn't come in the top three, they were a real credit to our schools and should all be very proud of themselves.

Miss Knight

Royal and Roman Feast

Yesterday, Cedar class hosted a Roman Feast for their family to attend. The class spent the day preparing bread for the feast as bread was a staple food in the Roman diet. Even though the Romans ate on the floor we decided to eat at tables. We covered the table cloth with facts to share with our adults and even made laurel wreaths to wear. The children really enjoyed the day and the feast. The bread was really enjoyed by all!

Miss Wines

Yesterday Oak class spent the day decorating and generally immersing ourselves into the lives of the royals. We made biscuits and decorated them with icing and smarties. We also made placemats with designs that our families like and self portraits in the style of Kings and Queens of England.

Miss Knight

Rugby Festival

On Wednesday, nine children from Years 3 and 4 represented the school at Henhayes Park in Crewkerne to play in a 7-a-side Rugby Festival. We were a little bit rusty to start off, but with a little coaching we built up our confidence and began to score more and tag many of the opposition. The final game, although playing 4-a-side, ended in a 4-4 draw, which was a fantastic score that reflects the perseverance and work ethic of the children who were playing. Well done everyone and a big thank you to the parents who watched and gave tips to their children throughout the Tournament.

Miss Knight

Church Service

Following a busy morning on Wednesday 21st, we rounded off the afternoon with a trip to St Lenard's Church for our Easter Service. The children walked up to the church wearing their Easter Bonnets. We sung some of our favourite Easter songs, were given Palm Crosses from Reverend Morris and the older children spoke very clearly when telling the story of Easter. The choir sang beautifully too!

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the service and left a donation for our school charity, Cancer Research UK.

Yesterday we received an email from Jonathon Morris, which I though I would share with you.

“I thought yesterday’s Easter service was lovely!” Rev Morris

Egg and Spoon Races

What a fantastic Spring morning! We started the morning with a wonderful parade of the Easter Bonnets and ended with our annual Egg and Spoon Races. The children all competed against each other in their year groups. There was some amazing concentration on their faces as they tried not to drop their eggs!

Miss Wines
Congratulations to the following children who have read 50, 100 & 150 times at home this month:

**50 Reads**
- Marlie Denslow
- Bear Paul
- Hugo Helliar
- Daniel Pattemore
- Alfie Burkhardt
- Ruby Melvin
- Summer Darch

**100 Reads**
- Sienna Madgin
- Holly Goodison
- Shania Langdon

**150 Reads**
- Lily Madgin

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Congratulations to the following children who have achieved their next Rainbow Olympics Certificates in February:

**Oak Class**
- Finley Swinnerton x 2
- Sienna Madgin
- George Vernon x 1
- Holly Goodison

**Cedar Class**
- Chloe Willis
- Evie Tucker
- Ashton Langdon
- Violet Bown
- Giulio Palmer
- Isabella Rodford
- Miles Shurvinton
- Daniel Pattemore
- Will Todd

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Congratulations to the following children who have achieved a green leaf this month:

- Hugo Helliar
- Joseph Djeebet
- Marlie Denslow
- Presley Vincent
- Deven Shurvinton
- Finley Swinnerton
- Ruby Melvin
- Sienna Madgin
- Summer Darch

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Congratulations to the following children who have achieved a silver certificate:

- Shania Langdon
- Summer Darch
- Summer Cole
- Harvey Craven
- Holly Goodison
- Korbin Rodford
- Finley Swinnerton
- Deven Shurvinton
- Ruby Melvin

**Cedar Class**
- Luke Gates
- Chloe Willis x 2

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We are very pleased to let you know that our whole school attendance to date stands at **97.01%**. Please remember that your child’s attendance is monitored weekly and, if their attendance drops below 90% we will contact you to see how we can support you with this.

**Proud Wall**

Congratulations to all the children who have made it on to my proud wall this month!

**Will** for being so brave at the hospital when he went for a scan. He sat extremely still and wasn’t afraid of the loud noises from the machine. He received a certificate as he sat better than some adults do.

**Summer** really impressed me with a maths challenge I set her. Summer had to work out how many coins and notes she could make from £20.

Congratulations to **Korbin** and **Joseph** for getting their Indigo and Gold certificates for Rainbow Olympics without needing to purple pen them. Keep it up!