

# Wedmore First School Academy Newsletter

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## Worker of the Week

Squirrel	Gilbert
Robin	Oliver
Fox	Freddie
Rabbit	Joe
Hedgehog	Jack W
Skylark	Zach
Owl	Hebe

## Citizenship Award

Squirrel	Harrison, Jojo, Violet
Robin	Millaray, Jack L, Fergus
Fox	Ted, Scarlett, Eve
Rabbit	Barney, Breu, Grace D, Phoebe
Hedgehog	Thomas, Leo, Jack B
Skylark	Kathryn, Ted
Owl	Grace, Hebe

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Nursery and Reception Class Photograph – 13 March
- ◆ Mothers Day Lunch – 13 March

## Headteacher's Awards

- ◆ Imogen for her story and great hand writing;
- ◆ Jack, Tiyana and Jack for their recount writing;
- ◆ Etta for her minute maths;
- ◆ Arthur for his writing about the snow;
- ◆ Lily knowing for her number bonds to 20 and 100;
- ◆ Coco, Freddie, Amy, Eve, Georgie and Kitty for their work about the snow;
- ◆ Alfie, Lily, Evie, Adam and Gracey for their writing;
- ◆ Amber, Albert, Arthur, Oliver, Pippa, Rosie, Ruby and William for their sentence writing;
- ◆ Ewan, Kathryn, Flo and Becca for their super homework;
- ◆ Izzak, Hebe, Otilie, Annabel, Adriana, Eleanor, Sam and Daisy for achieving their writing targets;
- ◆ Minnie, Oscar, Annabel, Sam and Izzak for their decimal problem solving.

### Final INSET day

We have now plotted in our remaining INSET day for this academic year. This will be on Monday 9th April at the end of the Easter holiday. Do make a note of this in your diaries.

### Squirrel Class gets new flooring

Squirrel Class came back after the half term break to lovely new flooring, thanks to Cheddar Carpets and Table Eight, who each generously donated £1,000. Our PTA provided the £600 needed for screeding the floor and laying the carpet/lino. Huge credit must also go to Sharon Watts who masterminded the whole process and brought it to fruition. We are so grateful as it has transformed our class. Thank you all very much!

Comments from the children: "It feels soft now." "It's lovely to sit on." "The colour is much nicer."

### Spring Concert

The Spring Concert will take place on Thursday 19 April at 6pm in the school hall.

### Skylark Class Swimming

Due to Kilve residential and the additional inset day, Skylark class will not be swimming at Kings Fitness and Leisure on 19 March or 9 April, these sessions will now take place on 16 and 23 April.



Before



After

**Mother's Day Lunch**

Tuesday saw the lunch hall buzzing with excitement for the first of our two special lunches to mark Mother's Day. The children in Duck, Squirrel, Robin and Hedgehog classes were excited to be joined by their various visitors and all enjoyed a lovely dinner of roast pork with all the trimmings. We look forward to this Tuesday when it will be the turn of Fox, Rabbit, Skylark and Owl classes.



**Snow Days**

Thank you to everyone for your understanding last week with the closure of school due to the extreme weather conditions. We hope you all managed to have some fun in the snow on the Friday. It seemed to disappear as quickly as it arrived and yesterday felt distinctly Spring like; what a difference a few days can make!

**World Book Day**

Luckily the snow has cleared and the children were finally able to celebrate World Book Day. With the theme 'animal characters' the children looked amazing in their costumes, thank you to the parents for your support.

The children have enjoyed listening to a wide range of stories and sharing their own books with children from different classes.



**Pupils' books 2016-17**

We no longer need to keep the children's work from last year and will send it all home in the next few days. Please could you send a named carrier bag into school on Monday so that the children can carry their books home easily one day next week. Thank you.

**Maths Information Session**

We will be holding two Maths information sessions for parents of children in years 1-4 on Wednesday 21 March. Between 2.15 and 3pm the session will be held at Wedmore First School and a session between 5.30 and 6.15pm will be held at Weare First School. If you would like to attend either session please return the slip to the office.



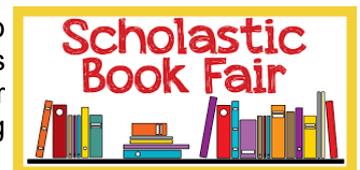
**KS1 visit to Haynes Motor Museum**

Yesterday KS1 went on a school trip to Haynes Motor Museum as part of their topic 'On the Move'. It was a great day and enjoyed by all. They learnt about the very first cars and how they have changed over time. There was certainly a lot to see. When asked what their favourite part of the day was, all children replied 'dressing up and sitting in the old cars'. All the children were exceptionally well behaved and were a credit to the school.



**Book Fair**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Book Fair this year, we had the best year ever raising an amazing £899.96.



**FA Lidl Skills - Holiday Sessions (Easter 2018)**

The FA Lidl Skills Programme - football sessions for children aged 5 – 11 will be held at Wedmore Rec on 28 March, details below. If your child is interested please sign up online at

<http://faskills.thefa.com/SkillCentres/Somerset/WedmorePlayingFields>

Date/Time/Age groups:

28th March: 10.00 – 12.00 (Ages 5 to 7/8 to 11 – mixed)

28th March: 1.00 – 3.00 (Ages 5 to 7/8 to 11 – girls only)

For any further information please contact:

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**Trug Flowers in Wedmore have come up with a fantastic offer for Wedmore First School. If you order some flowers for Mother's Day or Easter and quote "Wedmore First School" when you make the offer, Trug will donate 10% of the sale to Wedmore PTA. We would like to thank Trug for this generous offer. Happy Mother's Day!**

**Trug Flowers – The Masonic Hall, Church Street, Wedmore  
01934 710600**

### PTA Lottery

The Lottery winner for February was drawn this week and the winner is;

February - 191 Gemma Willcox

Congratulations Gemma, your cheque can be picked up from school office.

If you would still like to buy a lottery ticket, they are still available and will now ONLY cost £6 for the remainder of this academic year! Please contact Emily Mulliner

### Class Coin Challenge

Well done to everyone who took part in the coin challenge, we raised £445.29.

We will be able to order some new huff and puff equipment for the summer term and the nicer weather. Thanks also to Gemma and team for helping to set out the playground lines with Fox Class generating the longest line of coins who were awarded medals for this!



### Swimming Pool

New and existing First Aid volunteers needed!

It might not feel like it after all that SNOW but Spring is almost in the air, and I think we are all really looking forward to the summer, and the welcome return of the outdoor pool!

The swimming pool is a real asset to the school and loved by the children. It is funded and run by the PTA but can only open when there are enough first aid volunteers. Regulations require that one trained First Aider (trained within the last 3 years) is present at every swim session so we need more volunteers please! There is a REAL RISK that the pool will not open if we do not have enough willing volunteers to help.

In return for volunteering, the PTA will pay for your First Aid Training. Volunteering for the pool is easy and fun. As a First Aider, you are not expected to perform any lifeguarding duties; all children in the pool are the responsibility of their parents or carers.

Each session First Aiders will also be responsible for chemical testing of the pool, a chemical training session will be provided (it takes about 15 minutes). First Aiders are expected to do a minimum of 3 pool duty sessions in exchange for their free training.

Pool opening times will be

- 3.30 – 4.30pm after school in the summer term
- 2 – 4.30pm every day during the school holidays and weekends;

Training sessions

- Two evening sessions Wednesday 2nd and Wednesday 9th May from 18.00-2100

So, if you are available to be trained as a First Aider, or if you already have a valid First Aid certificate and would like to join the team please complete forms which will be coming home in book bags this week and hand in to the office by Friday 23rd March.

We would love to be able to open the pool in the May/June half term holiday, so we need people to volunteer ASAP. If you would like any more information please speak to Amelia Hendry, Gem Willcox or Emily Mulliner.