



Nursteed Community Primary School

18th September 2026

Newsletter 2

Message from the Head:

The children and staff have settled back into their new school routines well and I have seen some wonderful lessons and learning this week. Year 3 are enjoying reading the BFG, Year 5 are fascinated by their science topic of 'space' and Year 2 have been studying the artist Yayoi Kusama and creating their own pieces influenced by her work. It is lovely to walk down our main corridor and see the children hard at work.

Weekly Assemblies

This week, we talked about safeguarding - what it means and all the things we do to keep children safe at school. We did a lot of work on this last academic year and it was impressive how much the children had remembered such as what the different colour lanyards mean that staff and visitors wear and who the children can talk to if they are worried.

Celebration Assembly

This week, we celebrated Caleb, Max, Brylan, Milo, Matthew, Lyra and Elijah – well done!

We also celebrated Alfie who completed the Summer Reading Challenge at the library and obtained a swimming certificate.



Year 5 and 6 Author Trip

On Wednesday, Years 5 and 6 enjoyed an afternoon at Devizes School listening to local author Emily Randall-Jones. She began by sharing her ADHD diagnosis and how she harnesses this creativity to include all her ideas in her books. Emily is interested in folklore and the children shared some myths and legends they have heard. Finally, we were treated to a reading from her new spooky book, *The Scream of the Whistle*, part of which is set in Devizes. Many of our children bought a signed copy and have already started the book



Hot Chocolate with the Head



This week, Mrs Duffy met with Nellie, Jan and Harry from Key Stage One and Kimberley, Arabella, Ahmed and Scarlett from Key Stage Two.

Drop-In Parent Evening

Don't forget about our informal 'Meet the Teacher' and classroom drop-in session, which will take place on **Wednesday 23rd September 3:15pm - 4:00pm**

This is an informal opportunity for you to visit your child's new classroom, look through their books and examples of their work, meet their new teacher, have a brief chat about the year ahead and ask any general questions you may have. There is no need to make an appointment; simply pop in at any time during the session. We would be delighted to see as many families as possible.

Upcoming Dates

- Wednesday 23rd September 3:15pm - 4:00pm "Meet the teacher event"
- Friday 25th September - Individual photographs (Little Bears siblings from 08:30 - 08:45)
- Wednesday 7th September - Flu vaccinations
- Friday 9th October - Y1 and Y2 Dauntsey Woodland Adventure
- Thursday 21st October - last day of term 1
- Monday 2nd November - TD Day

Safeguarding

Each week, we will attach a Parent Guide to an app, area of online safety or a safeguarding issue to give you an informed overview and top tips on how to keep your child safe and discuss these topics together. This week it relates to the Nintendo Switch. If your child plays on one of these, there are some great tips on how to support them to play safely.

Important Information

1. You can book Before School Care (7.45am-8.45am) by visiting:
<https://bookings.phactiveed.co.uk/>
2. If you would like to contact Matt Clements regarding drumming, please email him on mattcdrumtuition@gmail.com.
3. If you think there is something that would help to improve our school we would love to hear from you. Feel free to email us on admin@nursteed.wilts.sch.uk so we can consider your ideas.

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