



Newsletter

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Children enjoying their class trips to Langford Lakes and the Living Rainforest

Hello again from a very busy but exciting Westwood school! With just three weeks to go until the end of a year that has been full of great learning, fantastic activities and fun there is still so much to look forward to in the few weeks we have together.

This week, of course, children from Thistle, Clover and Orchid classes have all had the opportunity to go out on their various trips. As always, everyone was impeccably behaved and came back full of information and things to tell us. Well done everyone, I am glad you all had such a super day.

Last week we had a real treat as James Carter, a professional poet, visited us in school to work with the children. Throughout the day it was wonderful to see the children using incredible language to write and then perform their work at the end of the day with him in front of the whole school and some of our parents, who kindly joined us for the assembly. Another of those days to remember!

Children from Thistle and Clover class also had the opportunity last week to take part in our local cluster schools multi skills festival at Fitzmaurice School. With glorious weather to accompany them, everyone gave their best and had a super morning taking part in a range of sporting activities, developing their skills and enjoying the opportunity to work with children from other schools.

You may have noticed a mass of colour surrounding our classes this week as we have been having our own art days in school. Each class has taken their own topic theme and the children have produced some amazing artwork which I am sure they will be happy to tell you about. It all looks really quite stunning!

Finally, it is always a pleasure to share and celebrate such fantastic achievements in assembly but this week four of our writers were again showcased for the 100 word challenge. This is a writing challenge centred around an online prompt and allows the children to be incredibly creative and to write freely. From over 400 entries worldwide, four of our writers, Ana, Susan, Anna and Finn were chosen. Congratulations everyone for all your hard work!

I hope you all have a super weekend and I look forward to the excitement of the remaining few weeks. The KS2 performance isn't far away and it sounds superb.....

Ian Rockey

There will be no Celebration Assembly on Friday 7th July.

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

We would like to remind parents of our policy on medicines for children during the school day. This is taken from our Health and Safety Policy.

'Non-prescription treatments/medicines (including Aspirin or Paracetamol) must not be given to the children. No child may carry prescribed medicines around the school. The only exceptions to this are chronic conditions such as asthma, epilepsy, diabetes or risk of anaphylactic shock requiring the use of an epipen.

For serious conditions such as severe asthma, allergy, epilepsy, diabetes etc. a Health Plan should be in place. A list is kept in the office, in the child accident book, in the First Aid Point and in registers of children with medical conditions including allergies. Where a child needs to finish a course of medication prescribed by a doctor which includes a dose during the day, the school will administer the dose provided the following conditions are met: The parents fill in the medicines parental request form in the presence of the office staff or headteacher, clearly stating the doses and time. It is the parents' responsibility to deliver to and collect the medicine from the school office. Medicines will be kept in the fridge in the medical area.

Parents should be clear that the facility of their child's medication is a courtesy extended to them by the school. There is no legal requirement on the school to fulfil this role and many schools refuse to do so.'

BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday!

DATES FOR TERM SIX

Saturday 1st July
FoWS Working Party – 10am onwards

Monday 3rd July
Year 6 – Young Citizens Workshop

Tuesday 4th July
Year 5 – Taster Day @ St Laurence School

Thursday 6th July
Year 6 - St Laurence School

Friday 7th July
Mufti Day for Tombola Prizes

Saturday 8th July
FoWS Summer Fair 2-5pm

Monday 10th July
KS2 Dress Rehearsal

Tuesday 11th July
KS2 Production @ 7pm

Wednesday 12th July
KS2 Production @ 7pm

Saturday 15th July
Westwood Church Fair

Tuesday 18th July
School Disco 5-7:30pm

Friday 21st July
Leavers Assembly @ 9am – Parents only

Leavers Assembly @ 1.30pm – Whole School Only

Tea with the Head @ 3:15pm

END OF TERM

Friday 1st September
TD DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

BACK TO SCHOOL ON
MONDAY 4th September 2017

Extreme
reading



EXTREME READING CHALLENGE

This is your last chance to get your extreme reading photos in for a chance of winning a prize. Entries to be in by **Friday 14th July** for judging the following week.

Ready printed photographs can be brought in to be displayed on our challenge board or, if you prefer, photos can be emailed to the school office.

admin@westwoodwithiford.org

Please provide a brief description of the photo. The children (and parents) are encouraged to enter as many photos of different 'extreme' reading places as they wish.

Take a look at the entries so far <http://reading.westwoodblogs.org/>

STRINGS CONCERT



This afternoon we were treated to an end of year strings concert by our Year 3 and Year 4 violinists.

If you would like your child to continue with violin lessons or have private string tuition (cello, viola and violin) please contact Mrs Sloane Hill on casloanehill@gmail.com or 07454766656.



READING MEETING

The Parents Reading Meeting that was originally planned for Wednesday 5th July will now take place on Thursday 10th October at 3:15pm. A crèche will be available.



FRIENDS OF WESTWOOD SCHOOL UPDATE

Working Party

We are holding a Working Party on Saturday 1st July, 10am onwards. There are always a number of jobs to be done around the school and grounds and it also proves to be a great social event.

If you are unable to come on Saturday 1st July, but have some spare time during the week or evenings, you can still help.

Please contact Ed Harrison on 07804 648710 for further details.

Summer Fair

Our Summer Fair will be taking place on **Saturday 8th July**. We have lots of fun activities and stalls planned making it an unmissable family afternoon.

Mufti Day on 7th July - we are asking for the children to bring in donations of new **and unused** prizes for the tombola and/or cakes.

Volunteers needed for helping out on the day - even for 30 minutes - please see a member of staff or send an email to fowschair@westwoodwithiford.org



Westwood ^{with} Iford School

SUMMER FAIR

Sat. 8th July, 2 - 5pm

INFLATABLE FUN ❖ **SILENT AUCTION**

SCARECROWS ☆ **DANCING** ☆ **CROCKERY SMASH**

TUG OF WAR ☆ **GAMES** ☆ **CRAFT** ☆ **RAFFLE**

TEA & CAKE ☆ **BBQ** ☆ **BEER & PIMM'S**



Entry: Adults £1, Children 50p

In aid of Westwood with Iford School

<http://fows.westwoodwithiford.org>



OUT & ABOUT



Tuesday 25th July: Fossils and Dinosaurs (In the Sensory Garden)

Celebrate the festival of archaeology with us, by getting creative with clay. Drop-in 10.30 – 3.30. Suitable for all ages.

Wednesday 2nd August: Finger Paint Pictures

We are putting all the brushes away to get hands on with paint, what can you paint using only your fingers? Suitable for ages 2+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

Friday 4th August: Jazzy Jelly Fish

Join us as we make some magical marine mobiles. Suitable for ages 4+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

Tuesday 8th August: Fan Friends

Make a cool friend in our easy craft workshops for ages 5+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

Thursday 10th August: Hot Air Balloons

In this session we will create Trowbridge's very first (mini) Balloon fiesta! Suitable for ages 4+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

Tuesday 15th August: Under the Sea Scene (In the Sensory Garden)

What better way to cool off during the summer holidays than with an under the sea themed session. Ages 5+. Drop-in from 10.30 – 3.30

Thursday 17th August: 'Key'-ute Keyrings

Decorate your bags, pencil cases and more in this bead workshop. Ages 6+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

Wednesday 23rd August: Wonderful Weaving

Join us in a session inspired by wool and the wonders of weaving. Suitable for ages 5+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

Friday 25th August: Busy Bee Bunting

We'll keep you as busy as a bumble bee in this simple applique craft. Suitable for ages 5+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

Tuesday 29th August: Safari Masks

Are you as strong as a lion, messy as a monkey or flamboyant like the flamingo – release your inner animal in our mask making sessions. Suitable for ages 4+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

Friday 1st September: Back to School Bookmarks

One final craft to get you ready to head back to school. Make reading even more fun with your own brilliant bookmark. Ages 4+. Tickets issued from 10am for 10.30, 11.10 and 11.50 sessions and from 1pm for 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50 sessions.

KICKABOUT CLUB

Fun football holiday club for kids aged 8-11

£14 Per day

10am – 3pm

Tuesdays & Wednesdays throughout the summer holidays July 25th – Aug 16th

Victory Fields, Bradford on Avon

BOA FIT

Safeguarding & First Aid Qualified FA Coach

Contact Jen to book: 07989 813326 / jen@boafit.co.uk / www.BOAfit.co.uk

Lantern Procession 2017.



This year's BoA Arts Festival theme is 'Flights of Fancy'. Among the many events will be the delightful Lantern Procession and End of Summer Party. Set the date: Saturday 16th September, at sunset.

You can buy your Lantern Kit (£5) from our Saturday stall in Lamb Yard from 10 -2, from Brown's Hardware, and from By The Way (the gift shop on the canal). The kit will enable you to make a Flights Balloon or a Fancy Bird – you just add pva glue and masking tape. A lovely project for the summer holidays.

BoA Town Council have kindly enabled us to hold Lantern Making workshops alongside their Family Fun Days, every Friday in August. You need to book your Lantern Making place via Kate Nottage 07967 634978 katenot9@gmail.com. Children under 11 must be accompanied.

If you would like to help in any way with this project, do get in touch. Full training, and even tea and biscuits, will be given!

More details on the Town Council website: Family Fun Days, and at www.boaartsfestival.com.

WESTWOOD PARISH ROOMS

The Parish Rooms, next to Westwood Church, has recently been extended and modernised – making it more accessible and suitable for hosting a wider range of events, activities, meetings or clubs.

Now a larger space, the Parish Rooms has the added benefit of new catering standard kitchen facilities, new toilets and baby changing facilities, improved and disabled access and a modern fresh look.

If you are looking for a local quality venue for a child's birthday party, wedding reception or other event, please do get in touch. We are now taking bookings and you can take advantage of a fantastic introductory offer – if you make a booking for an event during 2017 and it is booked by 31st July, you will get 10% off the price!

For bookings, to view the Parish Room or for further information, please contact Wendy Manister on:
Phone: 07976 168652
Email: westwoodparishrooms@gmail.com

If you use social media you can find out more and receive updates via Twitter or Facebook. Search [@westwood_pr](https://twitter.com/westwood_pr) to find out more!

Come and take a look at the new Parish Rooms for yourself and see what great facilities it has to offer during the Church Fete on 15th July.

WESTWOOD CHURCH PRESENTS A

SUMMER FÊTE

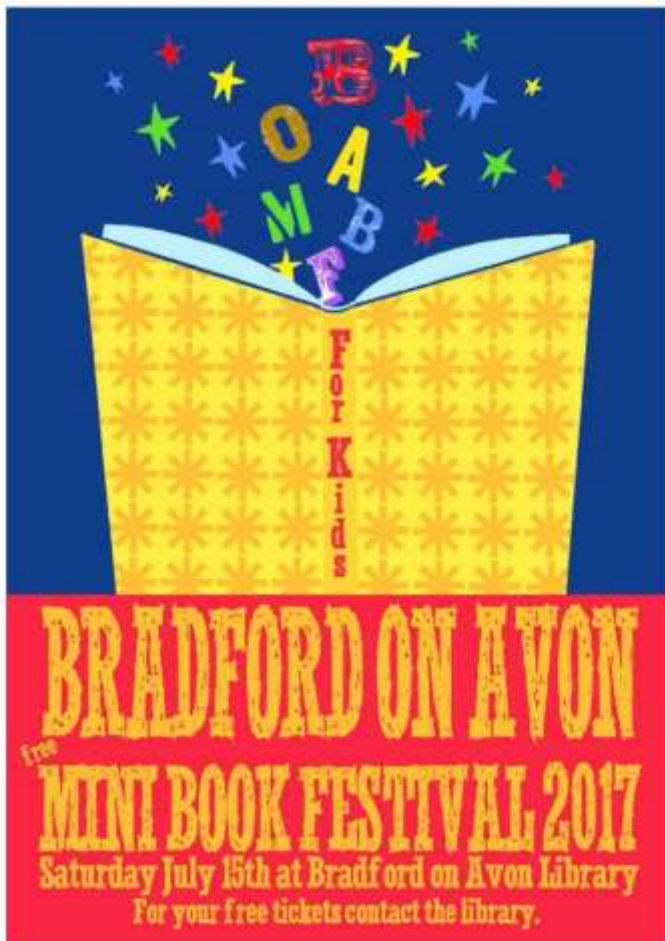
Saturday, 15 July, 2 - 4.30pm

Westwood Manor grounds

(By kind permission of Emily & Jonathan Aizis)

◆ CREAM TEAS ◆ ICE CREAMS ◆ JAZZ ON THE LAWN ◆ SKITTLES ◆
◆ COCONUT SHY ◆ PLANTS ◆
◆ CAKES ◆ WHITE ELEPHANT STALL ◆ TOMBOLA ◆ RAFFLE ◆

£1 Adults, accompanied children FREE!



PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES



10.00am - 10.45am
THE DRESSING-UP DAD 3+
 Meet MAUDIE SMITH as she reads her new picture book, then dress up your dad (or someone else's!) Story time, dressing up and craft.



10.30am - 11.15am
THE PUPPY ACADEMY 4+
 Join amazing writer GILL LEWIS for some canine capers. Hear all about the puppies in Puppy Academy who are learning skills to become working dogs. But watch out! There's a thief about! Help Gill to find the missing sausages.



10.30am - 1.00pm
EDITORIAL SURGERY - FOR GROWN-UPS!
 Written a children's book? Don't miss this amazing opportunity to receive one-to-one feedback from Chicken House editor Kasia Lupo. 20 minute appointments. Contact the library for booking details



11.00am - 11.45am
ANGIE MORGAN 3+
 Meet Angie as she reads her new picture book, **THAT IS ACTUALLY MY BLANKET, BABY!** Mess up your very own blanket with glitter, glue, mud, and other stuff!



11.45am - 12.30pm
MY EVIL TWIN IS A SUPERVILLAIN 8+
 Help DAVID SOLOMONS launch his hilarious new book - the latest in his award-winning series. This time Zack, Luke and the gang face flat-pack spaceships, quantum toilets and the most terrifying game of Top Trumps in the universe!

12.30pm - 1.15pm
FUN AND GAMES FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS 4+
 Children's mystery writer SHARON TREGENZA offers mazes and muses, dot-to-dots and wotnots! There will be puzzles and prizes too.



2.00pm - 3.00pm
CRIME-WRITING WORKSHOP 12+ to adult
 Got an idea for a thriller? Dip into the world of crime-writing in this inspiring workshop run by best-selling author RACHEL WARD



2.00pm - 3.00pm
WRITE YOUR OWN MINI BOOK 7+
 Join children's writers ALEX CAMPBELL and ANGIE MORGAN on a story adventure. Invent your own exciting story and put it all in a mini book to take home!



ANIMAL MAGIC CRAFT ACTIVITY - ALL AGES, ALL DAY!
 Help toymaker IAN MCKAY and children's writer FLEUR HITCHCOCK imagine and create an Amazing Animal Menagerie - inspired by this year's Summer Reading Challenge: Animal Agents!



POP-UP BOOKSHOP by EX-LIBRIS
 There will be opportunities to buy books and have them signed by all the authors - so bring along your pocket money!



We hope you have a great time at the Festival and we'd like to give a great big BOAMBF thank you to all our sponsors and supporters in Bradford on Avon and beyond!

