



# Newsletter

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Boswell Road Lower Westwood  
Bradford on Avon BA15 2BY



Hello again and welcome to the final newsletter of this term. What a busy term we have had with so much amazing learning having taken place so far. I have quite a lot to tell you too, with a few developments on the horizon which will make school, I hope, an even more exciting place to come and learn.

You may be aware that we were successful in obtaining a Tesco Bags of Help grant to develop our school field with play equipment as a project. I am delighted to update you that we will be receiving £10,000 to further our all-weather path and install an all-purpose climbing frame and scramble net on the field. Thank you so much if you voted for us!

I can also now let you know that we have again been shortlisted for a Tesco grant for our gardening project, which could provide a polytunnel and small outdoor classroom if we receive enough votes. Please look out for us in your local Tesco store when you shop and drop your green token in our box!

Maths day was a fabulous success recently, with children working together on a range of maths activities and exploring a number of mathematical concepts across year groups, which was lovely to see. This week Thistle class and Clover class have also been on a wonderful visit to Lydiard Park where they were able to explore life in Victorian times and play with toys from the era. After a very full day they had so

much to tell us and the photos on their blog tell such a super story of a special educational experience. Orchid class have also had a busy week, taking part in the BBC Terrific Scientific lesson with Fran and Barney, the presenters. They said how much fun it was and thoroughly enjoyed a different interactive way of learning.

Finally, just a mention about our blogs and radio station. I continue to be so proud of all of our children for the way in which they share their learning with the world. We really have taken our school out into the community and globally, sharing all that is fantastic about our school and many people are so interested in what we do. Please follow our blogs and you will be kept up to date with everything that is added and you will, hopefully, feel a part of our daily life in school.

I have also now added our radio station to the **Tune In** radio network. This means that if you would like to listen in to us on a Friday you can by downloading the app for your device and searching for and favouriting Westwood Radio. You can also do this via our website at <http://radio.westwoodwithiford.org/latest-show.html>. All of our podcast episodes are also now on Tune In and also on iTunes, so if you are an Apple user, you can subscribe to our weekly shows and listen again. With so many wonderful broadcasts from our talented children, I am trying to make it as accessible as possible for everyone to listen in.

Look out for Monday's breakfast show too, LIVE from 8.30am.

Have a great weekend everyone.

**Ian Rockey**

### SAINSBURYS VOUCHERS



It's that time of year again! Please help us to collect as many Sainsbury's school vouchers as possible. Each year, we are able to acquire a lot of valuable resources through this scheme and the more we collect, the more materials we can order. The teachers already have a wish list for the children.

There is a collection box at the school entrance just waiting for your vouchers! Thank you.

### RADIO CLUB BREAKFAST BROADCAST

Radio Club shall be broadcasting our very first breakfast show on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 8:30am. Please tune in at <http://radio.westwoodwithiford.org/>



### SCHOOL COUNCIL CAKE SALE



Thank you to everyone who supported our School Council's Cake Sale yesterday. They were able to raise over £25 to put towards resources for playtime.

### LOST PROPERTY

The number of unlabelled items continues to grow in the Lost Property box. Any items not claimed by the end of term will be given to charity.

### PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Sign up sheets for our Parent Consultations will be available during the first week back after half term. An email will be sent out to notify parents when the sheets are ready.

### NITS

We have had several reports of head lice again at school. Please can all parents could keep a look out for head lice and nits (the white eggs), which are often found along the back of the head where they can hide from sight. If you find them, please treat the whole family as they very quickly spread and cannot always be easily spotted. A leaflet is attached with some further information about finding and treating head lice.

It would also be helpful if children with long hair could keep their hair tied back.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

### NEW MENU

A new menu for Term 4 is now available on ParentPay. Please book online by **11:59pm Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February**, if you would like your child to have school meals the first week back after half term

The School Office will no longer be providing telephone reminders after half term.

If you have not placed an order for a school meal, your child will require a packed lunch.

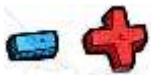
### CLUBS

All clubs will recommence the first week back after half term. Make It! Club is hoping to run a graffiti club on Wednesdays. If you would like your child to attend, please fill out the form sent out. Copies can be found outside the school office.



## WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday 6th March, we will be celebrating World Book Day and would like everyone to come to school dressed as a character from a book. This is something we have done before and is always so much fun, so we look forward to some creative dressing up from pupils and staff!



## MATHS FOR PARENTS



Mr Bennett will be running a maths session for parents after school on Thursday 16th March between 3.15-4.00pm looking at the calculation methods we teach the children. A crèche will be available for parents. This will be in Clover class and run by the staff.

## BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday!

## TD DAY

Please remember that school will be closed on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April for a TD Day.

## DATES FOR TERM THREE

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Safer Internet Day**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Deadline for School Meal orders w/c 20.02.17**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February**  
**End of Term 3**  
**Tea with the Head**

**Term 4 Begins**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February**  
**BACK TO SCHOOL**

## DATES FOR TERM FOUR

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**Orchid Class @ West Wilt Dance Festival - 6pm**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Year 6 Bikeability**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Parent Consultations 3:30-7pm**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**  
**WORLD BOOK DAY**  
**Dress as your favourite character from a book**

**Parent Consultations 3:30-5pm**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**  
**Year 6 Bikeability**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Lotus Class Trip – Ashmoleum Museum**  
**Orchid Class Trip –Wincanton Race Course**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March**  
**FoWS Quiz Night 7pm for 7:30pm start**



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The FoWs 8<sup>th</sup> annual...

# QUIZ NIGHT

A graphic for Quiz Night featuring a large, pink, textured brain in the center. Several small figures of people are shown climbing on the brain, suggesting a challenge or puzzle.

## Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March

**Doors open at 7pm. Quiz starts at 7.30pm**

at Westwood with Iford School

**Tickets: £7.50** (Adults only)

**Ticket includes:**

**'Trio of Puddings' OR 'Cheese & Biscuits**

**Bring your own drinks AND A GLASS!**

Tickets on sale NOW from the School office... don't miss out!

Ticket deadline: Friday 17th March

*Get your team ready...  
Max 6 per team*



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and the trail. To find out more and/or to volunteer, please email us at:

[westwoodscarecrows@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:westwoodscarecrows@yahoo.co.uk)

Thanks in advance for your help and support in 2017!  
Lilly, Jo, Bryony & Rachel (Scarecrow Trail Organisers)

## DISCO NIGHT

Thank you very much for supporting FoWS by sending your children along to the disco.

It was a very successful evening, raising a total of £237.80.



**!!TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!!**

**Date:** Saturday 25th March 2017  
**Time:** Doors open at 7pm. Quiz starts at 7:30pm  
**Tickets:** £7:50 (Adults only) from the School Office  
**Venue:** School Hall

Our fearsome quizmaster returns for another evening of brain stretching and head scratching questions. Book the date and the babysitter now!

Please let us know if you are able to donate any puddings or help out on the night.

## SCARECROW TRAIL

The scarecrows are back!  
We are starting to plan for this year's scarecrow trail, taking place in May half term. This annual event is great fun and raises much needed funds for Westwood with Iford School and Westwood Nursery.

We're looking for a few new volunteers to help organise the trail – putting up posters, arranging advertising, sorting signage etc. We're a really friendly group, meeting roughly once a month between now



## Friends of Westwood (FoWS) Facebook Page & Group

If you are a Facebook user we would love it if you could please visit and 'Like' our page.



Please encourage friends and family who are also Facebook users to do so also.

Since recent changes to Facebook's administration we have found that people receive more notifications if they are actually a member of a Facebook Group therefore we have also set up a FoWS Facebook Community Group Page.

Simply visit our Facebook Page & Group by typing the following in to your browser:

[www.facebook.com/friendsofwestwoodschool](http://www.facebook.com/friendsofwestwoodschool)

You can also follow us on Twitter at

<https://twitter.com/fowschool>



OUT AND ABOUT

**SAVE OUR SHOP**



**Saturday 11th February, 11am - 3pm**  
**Westwood Social Club - FREE ENTRY**

**Come along and quiz the "Steering Group"**  
**Share your suggestions and concerns**  
**Enjoy refreshments and a table-top sale**

Book a table (in advance) for £5...  
 Sell your unwanted crafts, gifts, toys, books  
 and anything else you don't need anymore!!!!

For more info contact Judy Shaw on  
 01225 864949 / judshaw@gmail.com

**February Half Term Activities at West Wilts Gymnastics & Fitness!**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

Join us in our holiday sessions for a morning, afternoon, or full day of gymnastics-based fun!



**Full day 9.00-3.30pm**  
 £12  
**Morning session**  
 9.00-12.00  
 £6.00  
**Afternoon Session**  
 12.30 - 3.30pm  
 £6.00

Multiple child discounts also available!

Contact us:  
 Tel: 01225 767312  
 Mobile: 07720263965  
 Email: admin@wespritt.com


Please note: payment must be made on booking. We look forward to seeing you!


Richmond House, Goodwood Close, White Horse Business Park, Trowbridge, BA14 0NE

**FAMILY CONCERTS**

Events with Live Music, Storytelling & Science

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 NATALIE, 7 



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 Bradford on Avon  
 BA15 1DZ

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 01225 860 100

**SAT 4 FEB 3PM**  
**THE CHIMPANZEEZ OF HAPPYTOWN**  
 WITH MUSICIANS FROM ENSEMBLE 360 AND NARRATOR POLLY IVES

Join us for an afternoon packed full of what storytelling, live music and bright illustrations from the original story book, The Chimpzooes of Happytown. Find out how Chubby the chimp transforms gloomy Drabville into colourful Happytown and puts a smile on everyone's face! A magical, interactive show featuring music by award-winning children's composer Paul Roseman.

£10 / £5 Under 10s 

**SUN 5 MAR 10AM - 4PM**  
**MY SCIENCE FAIR**  
 WITH THE ORCHESTRA OF THE AGE OF ENLIGHTENMENT

A unique children's day of music and science, powered by the imagination of local primary school children, this day-long community event showcases projects exploring the amazing world of science and music with workshops, games and demonstrations, including a special performance guest by members of the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment.

Free to attend, suggested for ages 5-11 years

**SUN 9 APR 3PM**  
**THE UGLY SWANLING FAMILY SHOW**

Interactive storytelling and live music for little ones, join Michael Lueder and his gang for a brilliantly entertaining family show about the journey of a young swan as she tries to find her true home. 'Swanling' Ensembles' Happy Ever After! Get swept away in an original story inspired by Hans Christian Andersen, and live sax-themed music by Tchaikovsky and Saint Saëns performed with trumpets and horns!

£8 / £4 Under 10s, suggested for ages 5+ years

**SUN 7 MAY 11AM**  
**OAE TOTS FAMILY CONCERT**

A magical, musical journey through Europe, join musicians from the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment on an interactive journey around Baroque Europe to discover the exciting instruments that live there. Get up close with the wise old double bass, the fankasing cello and the oh so troublesome horn. Get ready to clap, sing and bounce your way through the 17th century with one of the world's greatest Orchestras in this playful concert for the very youngest of music lovers.

£8 / £4 Under 10s, suggested for ages 2+ years

**FAMILY OFFERS**

Up to two Under 10s can attend for just £1 each with every full-price ticket bought for the following concerts, using our Quidio-Kid offer.

**FRI 17 MAR 7.30PM** **BOLLYWOOD BRASS BAND**  
**WED 12 APR 7.30PM** **THE SHEE**  
**FRI 2 JUN 7.30PM** **JUAN MARTIN FLAMENCO TRIO**

BOOK NOW wiltshireremusic.org.uk / 01225 860 100

EVOLVE MUSIC PRESENTS



# soundlab

A NEW CREATIVE ENSEMBLE  
FOR 8-14 YEAR OLDS

FREE TASTER SESSION

12 MARCH

WILTSHIRE MUSIC CENTRE

9:30AM-12PM

INFO@EVOLVEMUSIC.CO.UK

07807193621

EVOLVE MUSIC PRESENTS  
**soundlab**

## WHAT IS SOUND LAB?

Sound Lab is a new Creative Ensemble allowing 8 - 14 yr olds to explore music making and sound through improvisation. As a group we will create our own series of new pieces of music over 5 months.

There will be opportunity to play new instruments and use music technology as well as your own instrument. This is set to be an exciting audio adventure!

ON THE LAST SESSION THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE GROUP TO PERFORM THEIR NEW MUSIC

REGULAR MONTHLY SESSIONS SATURDAY MORNINGS 9:30AM - 12:30PM  
WILTSHIRE MUSIC CENTRE

PRICE: £8 PER CHILD PER SESSION

WWW.EVOLVEMUSIC.CO.UK



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## JOIN OUR EASTER HOLIDAY WORKSHOP *Bugsy Malone*

Tuesday 11th April - Thursday 13th April at Freshford Memorial Hall, £85  
Wednesday 19th April - Friday 21st April at The Arc Theatre, Trowbridge, £85  
10am - 4pm each day

Work with a professional director/choreographer on extracts from this exciting tale of American gangsters sparring in Fat Sam's Speakeasy Cafe set in 1920s America! Great parts for girls and boys and you will develop skills in acting, singing and dance with other local children to create your very own show complete with lights, music and costume on the last day. Suitable for all aged 7-15. No previous experience necessary. Limited places. Book early!



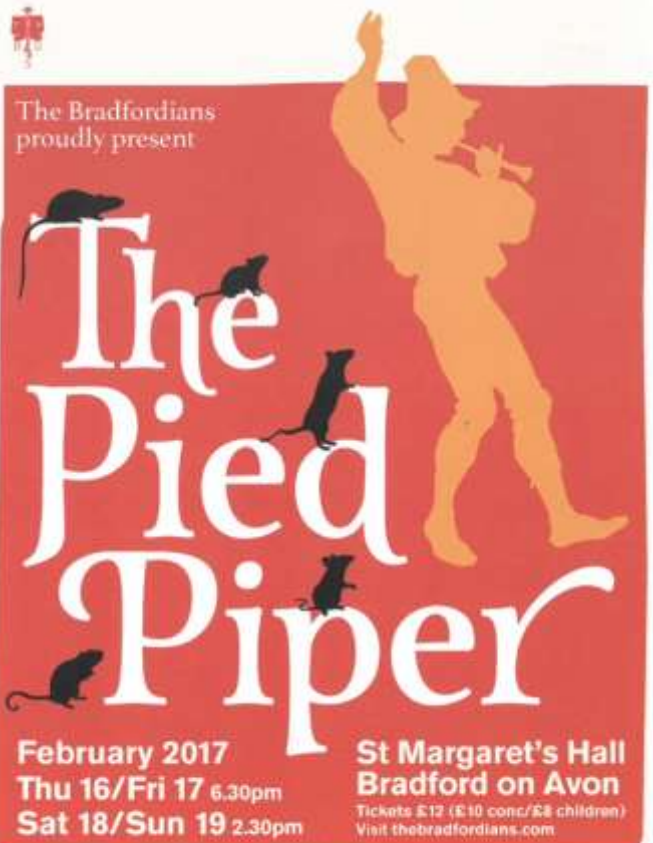
Call Moira on 07932 785807 or email  
moira@charactersstageschool.com



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February 2017  
Thu 16/Fri 17 6.30pm  
Sat 18/Sun 19 2.30pm

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