



# Newsletter

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Welcome back to the new term, I hope that you had a lovely time with your children during our extended half term break.

Already this term we have many of our classically British weather types, so can I please ask that you ensure your children are well equipped for the elements. With colder, windier and wetter days, all children should be bringing a warm coat and should be wearing closed, sensible shoes, as we do try to use the field as much as possible during our break times, weather permitting.

Can I say thank you to those of you who have used consideration when driving to and from school and when leaving your dogs by the large gate in the car park. Your response is always appreciated and ensures that our community relationships are continually positive.

This term is always one that I very much enjoy in school as it is full of excitement and magic, leading up to the festive season. Already we have seen an indoor firework video display, children planting bulbs for the spring and a topic themed class day trip to Swindon, all in the three days that we have been back! With so much more to look forward to in the coming weeks, I am sure that it will be a wonderful term.

Please refer to the updated diary dates that will be accompanying this newsletter. I am planning to update these every term, as we do add one or two extra items during the course of the year and it is always good to remain informed. The website is also a great source of information, particularly if you have missed a letter or newsletter - they have all been uploaded in the News and Events section. Also, if you have not yet signed up for parent's evening next Monday or Wednesday, sheets will be in each classroom for you to come and discuss your child's learning.

Have a lovely weekend.

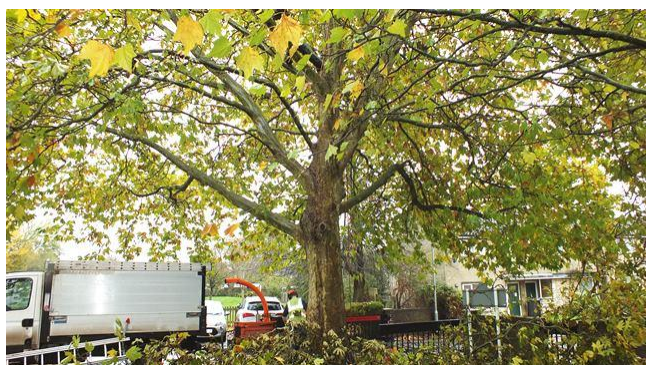
Ian Rockey

## TEACHER TRAINING DAYS

When looking through the new list of dates, please note that there is no longer a TTD on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February. The remaining TTDs are 22<sup>nd</sup> April and 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2014.

## TREES

After one of the worst storms in years, we were very lucky to have had minimal damage in the school grounds. The tree near the main gate had some branches that needed attention and today we had a tree surgeon out to carry out the work.



## TROPHIES

We added together all the 'Wonder Points' that each class had earned this week and also the week before half term and the winner of the Westwood Wonders of the Week trophy was Clover Class.

As if that wasn't enough, once we looked at the average attendance figures from the week before half term and this week, could you believe it? Clover Class was the winner of the Attendance Trophy too.

Well done



If you are starting to do your Christmas shopping, please use the Giving Machine if you buy anything on line. It is a not for profit, social enterprise that helps to generate free cash donations for our school.  
[www.thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk)

Thank you

## BIRTHDAY OF THE WEEK



Young Susan had a birthday during half term.

## FRIENDS OF WESTWOOD UPDATE

### Westwood Christmas Fair

Saturday 30th November, 2 - 4.30pm  
Westwood with Iford School

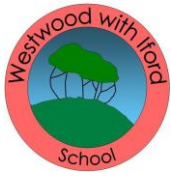


The Christmas Fair is just around the corner and our aim is to make it as successful as last year. There are some exciting new stalls planned this year as well as some old favourites. Please help us with donations for the Tombola, Pre-loved books and toys, raffle prizes, wine and The Jar. A letter has gone home outlining what we need, however, if you need any further information, please ask at the school office or speak to Phillippa Lowton or Jo Batten.

Your FoWs Team

## BRADFORD & AVON VALLEY YOUTH CHESS CLUB

The chess clubs that ran for 10 years at Christ Church and Fitzmaurice schools are re-opening as an evening club on Tues 12 Nov. The venue is the St Nicholas Church Hall in Winsley (BA2 3LH), time 6 - 6.45 pm for Y2-3 / beginners and 6.30 - 7.45 pm for everyone else. Cost £2 for first child and £1 for further siblings. We aim to cater for all levels of player. For more information email [avon.youth.chess@gmail.com](mailto:avon.youth.chess@gmail.com) phone Janet on 01225-862684



	Date	Event	Time/Notes
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	11.11.13	Parent Consultations	3.30-5.00pm
	13.11.13	Parent Consultations	3.30-7.00pm
	15.11.13	Children in Need – Non Uniform Day	
	21.11.13	Lotus Class Assembly	9.15am
	26.11.13	Big Write evening meeting with parents	7 – 8pm
	28.11.13	Orchid Class Assembly	9.15am
	28.11.13	Storybox Theatre Performance	1.30pm
	28.11.13	ESafety evening meeting with parents	7 – 8pm
	30.11.13	FoWs Christmas Market	2.00-4.30pm
<b>DECEMBER</b>	04.12.13	Christingle Service at the church	10.00am
	10.12.13	Thistle & Clover Christmas performance dress rehearsal	9.30am
	12.12.13	Thistle & Clover Christmas performance	9.30am and 6pm
	13.12.13	Christmas Jumper Day	
	18.12.13	Christmas Lunch	
	19.12.13	Children’s Christmas parties	1.00-3.15pm
	19.12.13	Tea and mince pies with the Head	3.30-4.30pm
	20.12.13	Carols around the tree	9.15am
	20.12.13	Term 2 ends	<b>SCHOOL CLOSSES @ 1.30PM</b>
<b>JANUARY</b>	6.1.14	<b>Term 3 begins</b>	
	24.1.14	Tea with the Head	3.30-4.30pm
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	11.2.14	Safer Internet Day	
	14.2.14	Term 3 ends	
	25.2.14	<b>Term 4 begins</b>	
	27.2.14	Orchid Class Assembly	9.15am
	28.2.14	Tea with the Head	3.30-4.30pm

<b>MARCH</b>	3.3.14	Parent Consultations	3.30-5pm
	5.3.14	Parent Consultations	3.30-7pm
	6.3.14	World Book Day - Dress as a character	
	13.3.14	Clover Class Assembly	9.15am
	20.3.14	Thistle Class Assembly	9.15am
	27.3.14	Lotus Class Assembly	9.15am
	31.3.14	Mother's Monday	All day @ school
<b>APRIL</b>	4.4.14	Easter Assembly, Easter Bonnet Parade & Egg Rolling	9.15am
	4.4.14	Term 4 Ends	
	22.4.14	TD Day, School Closed	
	23.4.14	<b>Term 5 Begins</b>	
<b>MAY</b>	12-16.5.14	KS2 SATs Week	No holidays will be approved for this week.
	22.5.14	Sports Day	
	22.5.14	Tea with the Head	3.30-4.30pm
	23.5.14	Sports Day (if wet on 22.5.14)	
	23.5.14	Term 5 Ends	
<b>JUNE</b>	02.6.14	TD School Closed	
	03.06.14	<b>Term 6 begins</b>	No holidays will be approved for this week.
	9-13.6.14	KS1 SATs	All day @ school
	17.6.14	History Day	All day @ school
	20.6.14	Father's Friday	9.15am
	26.6.14	Clover Class Assembly	3.30-4.30pm
	27.6.14	Tea with the Head	
<b>JULY</b>	3.7.14	Thistle Class Assembly	9.15am
	14.7.14	Lotus & Orchid Performance Dress Rehearsal	2.00pm
	14.7.14	Parent Consultations	3.30-5pm
	15.7.14	Lotus & Orchid Performance	7.00pm
	16.7.14	Lotus & Orchid Performance	7.00pm
	18.7.14	Tea with the Head	3.30-4.30pm
	24.7.14	Y6 Leavers Assembly	9.15am