

Benger Bulletin

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Sutton Benger CE Primary
School Newsletter
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Strive, Believe, Succeed...in 'Courage'

This term our School Value is 'Courage'.
A question you could discuss with your child is
'When do we show courage in our daily lives?'

'Headlines' ...

Welcome back to the New Year and the new term! We hope you all had a restful holiday with time spent with families and friends. Our new term started with an exciting day with many pet animals visiting for the day, to help us launch our Science learning for the term. Mrs Pitman-Jones has written a report on the next page and a big thank you to her for organising the day.

On our Teacher Development (TD) Day all the staff attended gymnastics training using a new Scheme of Work for the school. The 'Real Gym' Scheme of Work has been purchased to provide progression of learning and development of physical skills across all the Year Groups.

It was an educational (and physically demanding) day for all staff but was richly rewarding. Staff will be introducing new gymnastics units as the year progresses.

Six Year 5 and 6 children will be representing the school next week at Malmesbury Gymnastics Competition, performing a floor sequence and a vaulting sequence. We wish them all luck in this new competition, where they will be competing individually and as a team. The school is provided with specific PE funding to help increase the amount of physical activity that the children take part in at school, both in lessons and during playtimes. Funding goes towards competition attendance and transport, coaching (cricket this term for Joy and Dove class), staff training, Nordic Walking for Year 5 and 6 next term, amongst a range of other activities and resource purchases. We are still looking for coaches/volunteers to help run either football or netball afterschool clubs and if anyone knows of someone who could help, please contact the school office.



Class assemblies are starting to take place this term (which are noted on the next page) but please check the school calendar on the website for all dates and times.

Ursula Scott
Executive Headteacher

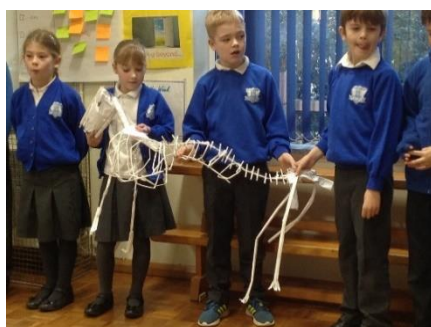
Super Learning Power Certificates – 12 January 2018

Red SuperSolver	Amber Wrathall, Edward Donachie
Yellow SuperGlue	Seth Jenkinson, Sienna Mussard
Blue SuperHelper	Poppy Elliot
Purple SuperThinker	Ursula Perrot, Ollie Ayre, Frazer Lyus, Amelia Stevens, Patrick Woodville, Julia West
Green SuperBud	Dylan Ramsey
Orange SuperStar	

Science Launch Day – Animals & Humans Topic

On Friday 5th January we had our second whole school Science Launch Day, which this time was used to introduce our new topic of animals and humans. The children enjoyed learning about features of different animals, animal groups and classification keys, as well as being imaginative by creating their own creatures and explaining how they would adapt to their environment. Some of our staff also brought in their beloved pets for the day to help the children learn more about caring for animals – this was a very well received surprise for the children. The day was a great success with one Year 2 child enthusiastically claiming that it was ‘the best school day ever!’ In addition, a parent of a Year 5 child told us that her daughter really enjoyed the day and was inspired to apply her learning that evening by creating a classification key for items in their kitchen larder!

Look out for our next science launch day in Term 5 when we will begin studying materials and their properties.



Reminders

Winter Weather

As the wintry weather continues, we would like to remind parents to ensure your children are sent to school in the appropriate clothing for the conditions, i.e. hat, scarf, gloves, warm coat etc.

Head Lice

Could parents continue to check their child's hair for head lice.

Parents will be asked to collect their child if school staff consider them potentially infectious to others, until treated. Once your child has been treated, they may return to school.

Lost Property

Can we ask all parents/carers to ensure that any lost property is collected by the end of this week.

Any items not collected will be given to the next Bags 2 School collection.

Afterschool Club

Please ensure you book early for the remaining terms to avoid disappointment.

Violin Lessons

Mrs Clare Beresford has places available on Monday afternoons for any child wishing to learn the violin.

Please see the office for contact details

Calendar

Wednesday 24 January	Bags 2 School
Friday 26 January	Dove Class Assembly – 9.10 am
Wed 31 st January	Hope Class Assembly – 2.30 pm
Friday 9 February	FOSBS cake sale – Year 3 and 4 donations
Wed 7 th February	Trinity Class Assembly – 2.30pm