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MINETY NEWS

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SCIENCE WEEK EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY 2ND JULY

An amazing week of science will take place this week with so many exciting curriculum opportunities for the children. This is a great opportunity for classes to supplement their science curriculum. Different classes will be focussing on light, bugs, and the night sky as well as focussing on a very current topic The Use or Overuse of Plastic in our Modern World.

FRIDAY 6TH JULY HOME CLOTHES DAY– BRING IN A FILLED JAR

Help our PTA to raise money for the school as well as organise the wonderful Summer Community event – The Summer Fair which will take place on Friday 20th July this year. To help with this on Friday 6th July children can come into school in home clothes and hand in the filled jar to your class teacher. Remember no nut products as we have children with serious nut allergies. A huge variety of jars are available in the shared area and in the office.



WOMAD FOR UPPER JUNIORS

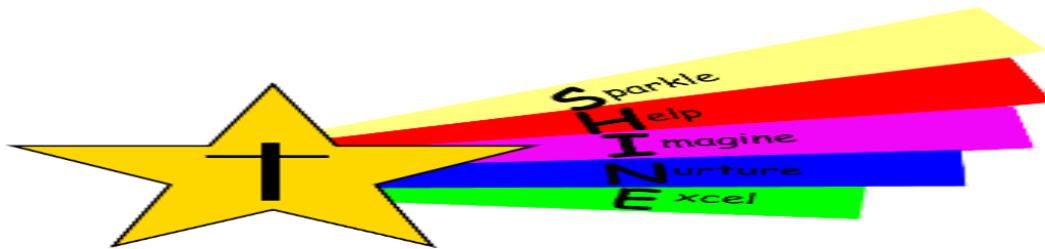
Some lucky junior volunteers will take part in WOMAD this year – they will perform on the Opening Night of WOMAD on the first day of the holiday on Thursday 26th July. This year a group of musicians and dancers from Senegal will be working with the children. They will be leading them in a performance of traditional music and dance from Senegal in West Africa. The children will also perform at Malmesbury Abbey on Tuesday 17th July. The whole school will also benefit from a wonderful performance and workshops which will take place on the morning of Thursday 12th July.

CINDERELLA ROCKAFELLA

The juniors will perform in this great production on Wednesday 18th July and Thursday 19th July at 6.00 p.m. Tickets will go on sale on Wednesday 4th July.

PIANO ASSEMBLY

There was a wonderful assembly on Tuesday 26th June with our most experienced pianists entertaining the school with very tuneful playing – all of the children had practised conscientiously and performed with



great flair. Well done, Ben Ashley, Jessica Miller, Rebekkah Mawer and Jake Cox. If you are interested in booking your child (Year 3-6) into piano please contact the office for further details.

TEACHER TRAINING DAYS FOR 2018-2019

Monday 3rd September 2018

Monday 22nd October 2018

Tuesday 23rd October 2018

Wednesday 24th October 2018

Thursday 25th July 2018 – **please note this is a change from previously advertised dates.** (School will finish for all children on Wednesday 24th July 2018.)

NEW MINETY KIT – SPONSORED BY N.D.O AUTOS



Thank you so much to Neil Ockwell who has so generously sponsored our new Team Netball Kit – it is so very smart and looks fantastic as modelled by Lydia and Chloe.



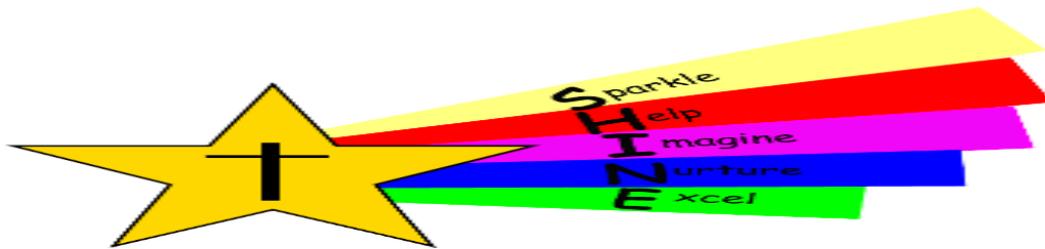
SPORTS DAY – TUESDAY 19TH JUNE

We all enjoyed a fabulous day – warm, cloudy and the perfect temperature for sport – plus most importantly it remained dry after a night which had threatened rain. The children worked really hard throughout the morning in the Carousel of activities and traditional races with Ash taking the honours with 1017 points.

They were closely followed by Willow with 943 pints and then Oak at 922 and finally Birch gained 894 points. Well done all teams, but big congratulations to Ash. Thank you to everybody who supported this great event, our staff and volunteers who put so much effort into it as well as the PTA for providing delicious refreshments and a special thank you to Carole Rayner who organised the event.

NEW BLUE SPORT T SHIRT

The voting has finished with strong involvement – so thank you to everyone who took part. 41 responses were collected and an overwhelming majority of 33 voted in favour of adopting the new blue sport T shirt.



An order form will be sent out next Monday for the Minety logo version but remember a plain blue T shirt will be perfectly acceptable alongside of this from September.

YEAR 6 ATHLETICS – THURSDAY 21ST JUNE

Year 6 enjoyed a wonderful afternoon at Malmesbury Secondary with many individual placements in the top three against very strong competition. Thank you to Ben John who led this event.

SMALL SCHOOLS SPORTS DAY – FRIDAY 22ND JUNE

The junior year group representatives enjoyed another brilliantly sunny morning and again gained many top three placements. Well done everybody and thank you to Carole Rayner who led the event and to all parents who helped with this event with lifts or their support.

GREEN FINGERS SUNDAY DISPLAY OF FLOWERS AT ST LEONARD’S CHURCH SATURDAY 23RD AND 24TH JUNE

Reception and Year 5 made small flower arrangements that were on display at the Preview and Open Day at St Leonard’s Church. Marjorie Holmes who was our link wrote to say “The children’s plates and flowers went down a treat, so many people had fun looking at the plate gardens and everyone commented on the sweet little petunias in their pots sitting along the seat in the porch.” Thank you to Maria Madeley, Caroline Holdway and Sian Freer for leading this.

CRUDWELL BIKE RIDE WEEKEND SATURDAY 23RD JUNE AND SUNDAY 24TH JUNE

The children’s and adult’s teams represented Minety at this wonderful event. The teams were amazing. Children and adults kept going despite small mishaps and injuries. The children who had less experience of racing were truly impressive and had so much fun. We will keep you posted on how much money has been raised. But you can still sponsor this amazing effort until the end of July; if you can donate even a small sum then please follow the link team@fundraising.virginmoneygiving.com. Thank you to everyone who took part and to Lilia Woodhouse for all the liaison and organisation with the event organisers reference this great weekend of sponsored cycling - a 24 hour experience!

SCRAP HEAP CHALLENGE

Thank you to all of you who contributed to the Minety World Cup Showcase for the Scrap Heap Challenge. The ideas were so creative with amazing end results. Our children who entered this were so justly proud of their results. Thank you to Helen Dudding and Lilia Woodhouse along with Ben John for displaying these amazing entries. Please pick up your entry, if you have not done so already, from the shared area by the end of today. Any remaining entries will be disposed of by Monday 2nd July.

MINETY MUSIC FESTIVAL FRIDAY 29TH JUNE – SUNDAY 1ST JULY

Class 5 sang their hearts out on the very first day of the festival – it was a wonderful performance. Thank you Mrs Walton for leading us in this first ever appearance at Minety Festival.

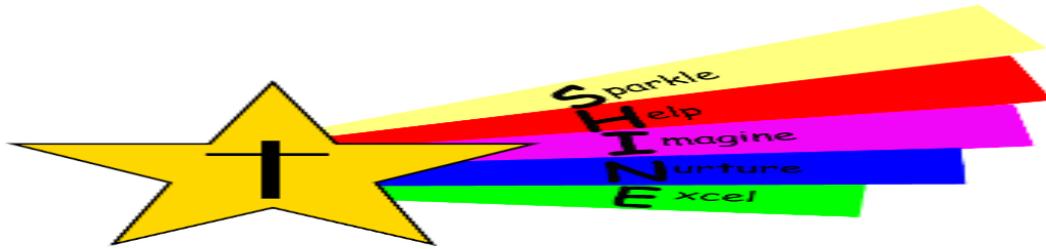
There is still one brilliant event to go.

On Sunday 1st July Junior volunteers will also be a part of the 9.30 a.m. Service on the Community Stage – again another first! Let’s hope the sun continues to shine for this great outdoor Festival.

PTA NEWS



Today is the start of the Jam Jar collections (located in the shared area) ready for return next Friday full of



treats in return for non-uniform, alternatively you can pay £1.00 but the filled jars will be of great help for the Summer Fair's tombola.

From the 4th July we will collect the class hamper donations so please bring the relevant colour to your class. Hamper judging will be take place on 18th July.

Class 1 – PINK, Class 2 – RED, Class 3 – GREEN, Class 4 – YELLOW, Class 4 – WHITE, Class 6 – BLUE. Please remember to not donate any products that contain nuts.

The End Of Year School Disco is on 13th July starting at 6.00 pm through until 7.30 pm and open to all years. Registration forms shall be out next week.

We shall be running a bar and refreshments at the Junior Productions and finishing with the School Fair on 20th July starting at 5.00 pm. Thank you to Pete Fairclough who has offered to be our BBQ chef and if we have other parents who can assist in setting up on the day and/or running a stall, we would be very grateful.

Well done to our Lucky Number winners today:

1st – Zak and Seb Brooks; 2nd – Bella Summerhayes 3rd – The Slade Family

The next PTA meeting will be held on 5th July, The Vale of the White Horse at 8.00 pm – all welcome. Sadly we have no individuals showing an interest in keeping the PTA going in the next academic year so far and sadly the school and students will suffer from the loss if a new committee cannot be formed. I am positive we do have a group of parents who could look to work together and run a new PTA in a way to suit their available time. Please do come along on 5th July and offer your support if you can.

Wishing everyone a very sunny and fun weekend and have a fabulous Music Festival Minety.

Charlotte and Team.

HOLIDAY DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19

The dates are, as far as we can be, in line with Malmesbury Secondary School to assist the parents who have children in our feeder Secondary School.

For Children:

Autumn Term 1 Begins on Tuesday 4th September 2018

Autumn Term 1 Finishes on Friday 19th October 2018

October Half Term for Children 2 weeks - Week of 22nd October, Week of 29th October and returning on Monday 5th November

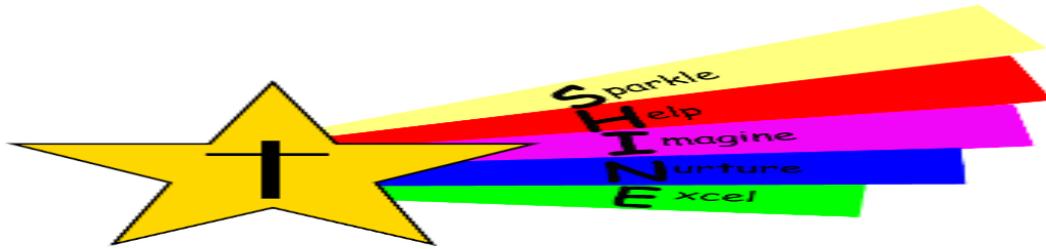
Autumn Term 2 Begins on Monday 5th November 2018

Autumn Term 2 Finishes on Friday 21st December 2018

Christmas Holidays for children 2 weeks beginning on Saturday 22nd December and returning on Monday 7th January

Spring Term 1 Begins on Monday 7th January 2019

Spring Term 1 Finishes on Friday 15th February 2019



Spring Half-Term for children 1 week - Week of 18th February and returning on Monday 25th February

Spring Term 2 Begins on Monday 25th February 2019

Spring Term 2 Finishes on Friday 5th April 2019

Easter Holidays for Children 2 weeks beginning on Monday 8th April 2019 and returning on Tuesday 23rd April

Summer Term 1 Begins on Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Summer Term 1 Finishes on Friday 24th May 2019

Summer Half-Term for children 1 week - Week of 27th May and returning on Monday 3rd June

Summer Term 2 Begins on Monday 3rd June 2019

Summer Term 2 Finishes on Wednesday 24th July 2019

DATE CHANGE

Apologies for any inconvenience but reports will now be published on Monday 16th July (giving staff an extra weekend to complete this time consuming but vital task.) This is due to the deadlines being so tight with an even busier month of community activity than usual that has required extra time from all members of staff.

Please remember:

- A light raincoat is essential for every child – each day is so variable.
- PE kit – a fresh T shirt along with black or navy blue shorts or PE skirts are essential in hot weather. Joggers are permissible but can be a little warm!
- No nuts in school please as there are children in school who have life-threatening allergies.

What a wonderful month of weather – it great to be bathed in tropical Minety sunshine! Our children are a little more tired than normal but are rising to the challenge of keeping calm even when feeling a little frazzled by the heat. In terms of wonderful activities there have been so many with all putting everything into it and so many more still to happen.

Sally Greaves