Newsletter

Thursday 6th February (No. 20)

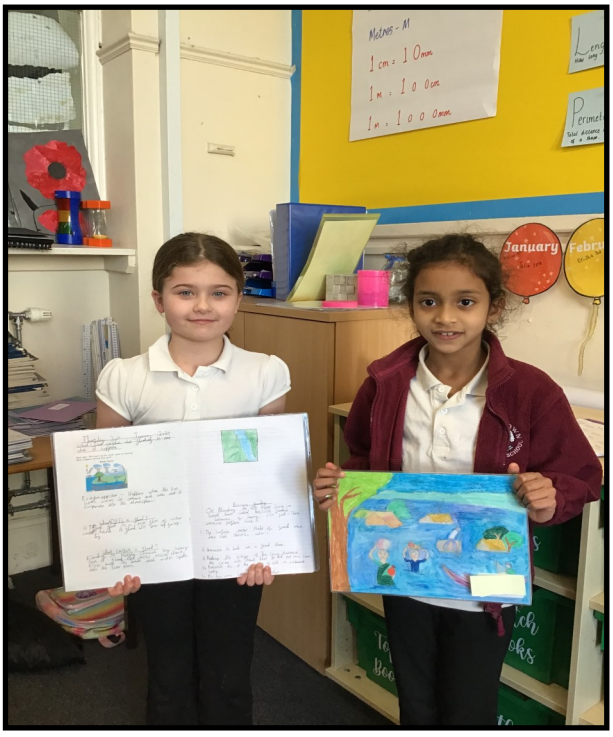
Message from Miss James in Chestnut Class

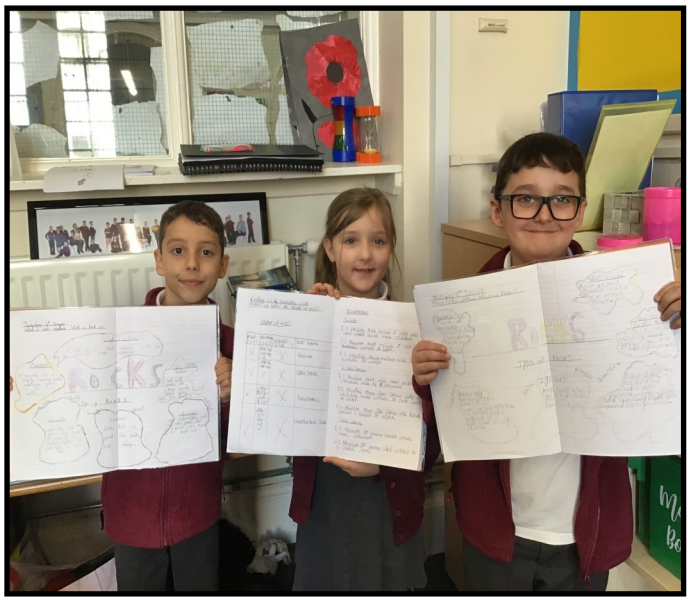
This term has been incredibly busy and the children in Chestnut class have shown eagerness and resilience when learning about our new science topic this term.

In science we have been learning about rocks. We have been discussing the different types of rocks and where these can be found around the world. William and Sonny presented their learning on a double page poster which they were incredibly proud of!

We have also been conducting investigations to understand the properties of the different rock types; we completed an investigation plan where we wrote our predictions for our findings and then recorded our results. Julia presented a beautiful table and then wrote about her results below.

During our learning in geography the children have been learning about the water cycle and extreme weather types, such as flooding and droughts. At the start of term we created our topic front covers, whereby the children sketched in pencil a flood scene and then used pastels to colour them in. We were so impressed with the outcome, Kylie's is a great example! You can also see Ruby holding up a beautiful piece of work, created when we were learning about floods, how and why they occur. We linked our learning to the Boscastle floods in 2004 and also, more locally, to the recent floods in Bradford on Avon.





Safeguarding



This week is Children's Mental Health week. At Newtown Primary School, we are committed to supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of all our pupils, parents, and staff. We understand that everyone experiences challenges in life that can make us vulnerable and that anyone may need additional support in some way, and at some point, in their lives. We take the view that positive mental health is everybody's business and that we all have a role to play.

We believe that spotting any signs of stress in a child's emotion health and wellbeing is vital in being able to support them through any times of trouble.

If you are worried about your child's or your own mental health, there is some excellent advice and support on the NHS website. This covers hints and tips to help parents with children displaying anxiety, anger, depression, or suffering a bereavement.

NHS link: www.nhs.uk/mental-health

Please look through the top ten tips below on supporting your child's mental health and emotional wellbeing.



Thank you from FONS

Thank you to everyone who shopped in Asda and added the school to their Asda Rewards app last year.

FONS will receive a cheque for **£285.17!**



Movie Night



Thursday 13th February

Willow and Sycamore —straight after school until 4:40pm

Maple, Chestnut, Beech, Cedar & Oak—5pm until 6:30pm

£3.50

Payment must be made on Scopay. Cash cannot be accepted for this event.

Glitter Bugs Nursery Ltd

We have space for 2-4 year olds from September 2025. We accept all forms of funding, as well as privately paid fees. Please take a look at our Facebook page or contact us on (07519) 908747 for information.



Looking for SEND Information?

Are you looking for information to support you to help your child with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND)?

This **free to attend** event is for parent carers of children with SEND, and those who work with them. It could be just what you are looking for to help you find out more about some of the services and support in Wiltshire.

The aim of the event is to provide a range of information to help illustrate some of the choices and options available for children/young people, showcase elements of the Local Offer in an accessible and interactive format, and provide a comfortable space and opportunities to facilitate networking opportunities for both parent carers and professionals alike.

Other reasons to attend include: -

- Free workshop
- Information from over different services and providers

Wiltshire Parent Carer Council
Improving Services for Disabled Children & Young People 0-25 yrs

Friday 7th February 2025

Civic Centre Trowbridge BA14 8AH

Registration from 9.30am

Event Runs from 10am to 2pm

Parent carers will be able to claim travel & childcare expenses from the WPCC

(Contact us to discuss childcare claims before the event)



Superstars

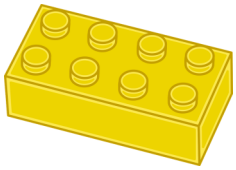


Ivy, Vicky, Vinnie, Khaled, Jack, Rupert & Eduard

Breakfast Club & Wraparound

Please book required sessions for Term 3 onwards on Scopay





Attendance

149 children had 100% attendance in the last week, you are awesome!

Chestnut class were the best at being in & on time every day last week.

Well done Chestnut Class!

9 Penalty Notice Applications have been made so far this academic year.

Absence line 01225 752678 option 1

Dates for Diary

11.02.2025	Beech & Cedar Class swimming
13.02.2025	Movie Evening
14.02.2025	Last day of term
24.02.2025	First day of term 4 - children back to school
12.03.2025	Newtown celebrating World Book Day
26.03.2025	Sycamore Class trip to Farleigh Hungerford Castle
31.03.2025	Oak Class Easter Experience at St James Church
31.03.2025	Parents' Evening-details to follow
01.04.2025	Parents' Evening-details to follow
01.05.2025	Beech & Cedar Class Carymoor trip