

News and Events

Friday 15th July

Dear Parents/Carers,



On Monday in our Celebration Collective Worship we celebrated Jaime (Voyagers) for the value of wisdom, Maks (Discoverers) for the value of koinonia, Harlow (Explorers) for the value of koinonia and Rhiannon and Bobby (Shooting Stars) for the value of wisdom. Congratulations to them all.

We also awarded more bronze house point badges.....



....silver badges...



...and gold.



Important dates for your diary

16th July— Tour D'Acorn. Cheer on the riders as they complete their ride.

22nd July—Term 6 ends at 1pm.

5th September—Term 1 2022/2023 begins

6th September—Meet the Team in the school hall at 6pm

Attendance

Highest attendance:

Voyagers 97%

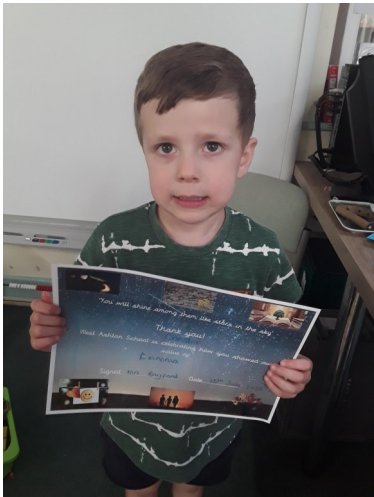
Lost learning:

107.5 hours

Reminders

1st Thursday of the month - Pre-loved school uniform for sale in the library
The library is open after school on Tues and Fri.

Today in our Celebration Collective Worship we celebrated Jasmine (Voyagers) for the value of koinonia, William (Discoverers) for the value of koinonia, Harper (Explorers) for the value of koinonia and Charlie (Shooting Stars) for the value of koinonia. Congratulations to them all.



We also presented more bronze.....silver..... and gold house point badges.



News from Discoverers:

We went to Winchester Science Centre and had loads of fun! One of our favourite things was going to the Planetarium and learning about our Solar System where we zoomed through space at lightning speed! We also took part in a 'Life' Workshop where we learnt about the problems from plastic in our ocean and how that can enter the food chain through bio-transfer. We also did an investigation to help improve the health of some fish, which was really fun because we got to mix chemicals and some erupted. Lots of us enjoyed the two exhibition rooms where we could have a go at lots of different activities and learn so much! The coach journey was a bit quieter on the way home because some of us were sleeping after the busy, but exciting day!



Our amazing House Captains raised an astonishing £125.40 with their charity bake sale. It was extremely close as to which House made the most money but just in front, with £48, was Wisdom. Their House Captain, Georgia, has chosen Ambitious about Autism as the charity who will receive this donation.





Having fun with activities when Active



new games and Trowbridge came.



Please remember our intrepid Tour D'Acorn riders. There is still time to sponsor them via the JustGiving website here: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/tourdacorn> .

All proceeds will go towards supporting vulnerable students across the Trust.

Due to the unusual temperature, the team have made the decision to set off as soon as there is light. They now hope to be back at West Ashton around 2pm. They will let me know when they are 30 minutes away and I will post their anticipated arrival time on Class Dojo. If you would like to join me welcoming them back, it would be great to see you.

Advance notice: Tuesday 6 September at 6pm. We are hosting a Meet the Team evening for all parents and carers. We do hope you can join us.

As I write this, I can see a hive of activity as the FOWAS Summer Fayre set up is underway. Hopefully many of you will be joining us this afternoon.

Best wishes,

Mrs Blake-Thwaite

Online Safety News

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

12 Ways to Champion EQUALITY ONLINE

In terms of the esteem it's held in, women's football has made impressive progress in a short space of time. That's a bit like the online world: it's come a long way, but that doesn't mean we should stop trying to make it even better. The Women's European Football Championships are underway, and that's a timely reminder of how important it is to give everyone the respect they deserve online – regardless of gender, race, sexual orientation, religion or anything else. In partnership with the Global Equality Commission, we've produced a special guide to help young fans kick online discrimination into touch!

- 1 KNOW IT WHEN YOU SEE IT**
Expressing views based on prejudice about a part of someone's identity – their race, gender or a disability, say – counts as online hate.
- 2 WHEN "BANTER" ISN'T FUNNY**
Discrimination is sometimes disguised as humour: some memes, clips or gifs that certain people try to pass off as "funny" might actually be offensive.
- 3 BE YOUR OWN PERSON**
Set a good example through your own online communication. Think whether you'd say a thing in real life before posting or sharing it online for the world to see.
- 4 SEEING SHOULDN'T EQUAL BELIEVING**
Sneakier, less obvious types of online abuse can stay on the internet for longer, so don't assume that something's OK just because it's not been taken down yet.
- 5 SEXISM CAN BE ILLEGAL**
As well as being extremely hurtful to a person or a group, online sexism and prejudice against women (known as misogyny) can be recorded as a hate crime in some cases.
- 6 ONLINE HATE, USED AS BAIT**
Sadly, it's not just that being exposed to prejudice online is upsetting – some extreme organisations even try to recruit young people to their cause.
- 7 GET SOME DISTANCE**
If you see messages online that upset you, it's probably time to give yourself some space from that site or app. Talk to a trusted adult about how you're feeling.
- 8 TURN OFF THE HATERS**
If someone you follow on social media is posting sexist content, you could always mute them or block them – or unfollow them altogether.
- 9 PLAY IT BY THE BOOK**
If you see someone discriminating online, you don't have to challenge them yourself. Screenshot their post and report them to the app or site you saw it on.
- 10 EXPLOITING 'PACK MENTALITY'**
Sexist messages aren't always sent to a target directly; sometimes, they're posts designed to provoke misogyny among other people.
- 11 POSITIVITY ALWAYS WINS**
Go the extra mile and spread some positive vibes! Instead of just reacting to a post and scrolling past, you could add a message of support and encouragement, too.
- 12 CREATE THE WORLD YOU WANT**
Remember, you're the boss of your online world. Engage with posts or accounts that celebrate equality and understanding: block or unfollow the ones that don't.

GLOBAL EQUALITY COLLECTIVE

National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

FURTHER SUPPORT
If you've been affected by any of the issues mentioned in this guide, there are some excellent resources that can offer further help and support.
NOS Mental Health Guides: nationalonlinesafety.com/guides
Minds: www.youngminds.org.uk
Stop Hate UK: stophateuk.org
Ditch the Label: www.ditchthelabel.org
Childline: www.childline.org.uk

www.nationalonlinesafety.com @natonlinesafety /NationalOnlineSafety @nationalonlinesafety

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Dear Parents,

Instructor Nick here - Taekwon-Do is back for West Ashton Students & we are offering a Month Free! It's on Thursday. It's all about high performance freestyle Tae Kwon-Do & developing that Self-control and Confidence. Yes, we have the black belts, kicks and tricks, but it's all about:

Teamwork
Integrity
Growth
Energy
Respect
Self-Control



The upcoming 4 week free trial will run at West Ashton Village Hall starting Thursday 8th September and continue at that location going forward:

Juniors (School Yr 1-6): Thursdays 3:00-3:50 - we will collect from school provided you confirm via sign up form

Please distance responsibly on pickup & do not enter the building, release will be outside.

Our classes are *still* the lowest priced pro Tae Kwon-Do sessions in the South West! After the free trial, should you wish to continue, classes are just £32 a month, which includes all training, belts, gradings, replacement uniforms, patches, licensing, insurance & VAT. Siblings train at a huge £9 per month discount too!

To register your child via mobile or desktop, please fill out this short form: www.tigermartialarts.club/monthfree

Should you have any questions, or wish to register via email or text, feel free to contact Kat, TMA admin on:
admin@tigermartialarts.club or 07921855900.

Once booked, we'll contact you before the start to confirm details. To find out more about us: www.tigermartialarts.club

Thanks as always for your support,

Instructor Nick

Head Instructor - Tiger Martial Arts



ACTIVE KIDS CAMP

WWW.ACTIVETROWBRIDGE.CO.UK

WEEK DAYS (EXCLUDING B/H) 25TH JULY - 31ST AUGUST - JOHN OF GAUNT
STANDARD DAY 9AM - 3PM £18 EXTENDED DAY 8AM - 4PM £22.60



EXTENDED DAY AVAILABLE

8AM - 4PM
£22.60 PER DAY



July/August 2022
25th - 27th & 1st - 24th
John of Gaunt
School 3G

9AM - 3PM £18 PER DAY

SCHOOL YEAR
RECEPTION-YR7

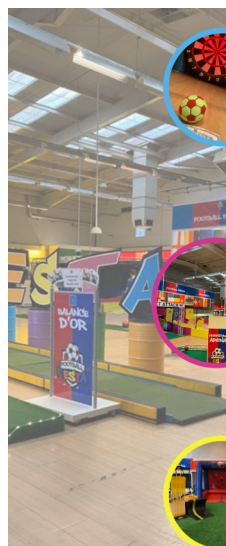
KIT: TRAINERS, SHINPADS,
LUNCH & WATER BOTTLE



SCAN ME



The John of Gaunt School
A Community Academy



Soccer Schools is
heading to Football
Fiesta in Cardiff

Friday 26th
August
£42 per child

Trip Includes

Travel to and from Cardiff,
leaving John of Gaunt 8:30am.
Entrance to Football Fiesta and
all activities on site. Depart
Cardiff 2pm, Collect 4pm
John of Gaunt

What to bring

Wear football kit and
bring a packed lunch and
refillable water bottle

Book online: www.activetrowbridge.co.uk
See more at: <https://www.football-fiesta.co.uk/>



THURSDAY
28TH JULY,
11TH & 25TH AUGUST
9AM - 3PM
JOHN OF GAUNT
SCHOOL ASTRO

SCHOOL YEAR
(RECEPTION-YR7)
£18

Don't forget your
Trainers,
waterbottle,
shinpads & your
waterproofs!



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at [Lovetovisit.com](https://www.lovetovisit.com)

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**THE LABYRINTH
CHALLENGE**

The Labyrinth Challenge is coming
to Clarendon Academy!

Come along and take on the 1,000ft inflatable
obstacle course, with challenges inspired by
Survivor and UK Ninja Warrior

Tickets available now!

23 - 24 July 2022

10:00am - 6:00pm

Clarendon Academy, Trowbridge, BA14 0DJ



For more
information
and to book
tickets, scan
the QR code



15% discount with code: **WESTASHTON**



Ever thought about volunteering?

Wiltshire's Independent Visitor Scheme is looking for people who can spare a couple of hours of their time every 3-4 weeks.

Volunteers are needed across Wiltshire

to befriend children in care. Young people living away from their families often really value having a consistent independent person who can take a special interest in their lives.

Wiltshire Independent Visitor Scheme is looking to take on more independent visitors to fulfil this valuable and rewarding role. Volunteers are needed who can communicate well with young people, share in their interests and who have regular time to spare.

If you are interested in knowing more please contact the scheme on

07733 303124 or **IVScheme@wiltshire.gov.uk**

"My IV is awesome and lots of fun; he makes me happy."

Young Person

Wiltshire Council



**Trowbridge
MUSEUM**

Summer Holiday 2022 Family Activities & Events

Our Summer Highlights

We look forward to welcoming you this Summer to an array of fantastic, fun activities. Highlights include:

- Tie-dye T-shirts
- Dazzling Beach Bags
- Summer Junk Heap Challenge

Our activities take place at the Museum and are free of charge unless indicated.

If you would like to bring a group of 5 or more children, please call in advance. All children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult. We are happy for underage children to attend with older siblings, but please be prepared to give them any support needed.

For more information, visit our website: trowbridgemuseum.co.uk, contact us on 01225 751339 or visit Trowbridge Information Centre.



POCKET HOLIDAY JOURNAL

Date: Wednesday 27th July
Time: 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 2.30pm

Age: 5+
Cost: FREE*

Create your own notebook using a simple book-binding technique and personalised cover. A must-have accessory to record those favourite holiday moments!

PAPER PLATE BLOOMS

Date: Wednesday 3rd August
Time: 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 2.30pm

Age: 5+
Cost: FREE*

Master the art of paper plate weaving and take home a stunning giant flower.

TIE-DYE T-SHIRTS

Date: Thursday 28th July
Time: 10.30am and 1.30pm
Age: 8+
Cost: £3.50 per child and includes T-shirt (tickets bookable via TicketSource or in the museum).

Back by popular demand, join us for another chilled-out tie-dyeing session.



*Tickets issued at 10am for 10.30am & 11.30am sessions and 1pm for 1.30pm & 2.30pm sessions.



COMMONWEALTH GAMES SPORTS MOBILE

Date: Thursday 4th August
Time: 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 2.30pm
Age: 5+
Cost: FREE*

Capture some of the energy and excitement of the Commonwealth Games with this fun mobile workshop.

DAZZLING BEACH BAGS

Date: Wednesday 10th August
Time: 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 2.30pm
Age: 5+
Cost: £2 per child and includes canvas bag, pay on the day*

Using vibrant fabric paints and pens, decorate a handy canvas bag to carry around your sunhat and sun-cream.

Our Quiet Sessions

We offer Quiet Sessions for some of our workshops, from 9.45am - 10.15am. These are more relaxed, with less people, which are perfect for children who prefer less stimulation and noise. Please look out for 'Quiet Session' in the course details and call in advance to reserve your place. Call 01225 751339.

SEASHELL PRINT POSTCARDS

Date: Thursday 11th August
Time: 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 2.30pm
Age: 5+
Cost: £1.50 per child, pay on the day*

Make a beautiful hand-printed postcard using seashell designs.

SUMMER JUNK HEAP CHALLENGE

Date: Wednesday 17th August
Time: 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm and 2.30pm
Age: 5+
Cost: FREE*

Make something from the big pile of junk in the middle of the floor.

WILLOW BUGS

Date: Wednesday 24th August
Time: 10.30am and 1.30pm
Age: 5+
Cost: FREE (Tickets issued at 10am for 10.30am session and 1pm for 1.30pm session)

Using tissue paper, PVA glue and willow, make giant bees, butterflies etc.

UPCYCLE! RE-FASHION & RE-LOVE YOUR OLD T-SHIRT

Date: Thursday 25th August
Time: 10.30am and 1.30pm
Age: 8+
Cost: FREE - bring an old T-shirt (Tickets issued at 10am for 10.30am session and 1pm for 1.30pm session)

A thought-provoking workshop focusing on fashion and textiles and how we can make the most of our clothes. We'll show you some simple and fun ways to create a completely new garment.

PICTURESQUE PEBBLES IN THE SENSORY GARDEN

Date: Thursday 18th August
Time: Drop-in sessions: 10.30am to 12.30pm and 1.30pm to 3.30pm
Location: Trowbridge Sensory Garden (behind Trowbridge Town Hall)
Age: 5+
Cost: FREE*

Paint a pebble with a Summer landscape, a brightly coloured pattern, a picture of your pet - whatever takes your fancy! This workshop will take place in the beautiful surroundings of Trowbridge Sensory Garden in Trowbridge Park.

