



## News and Events

Friday 22nd July

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a week! Monday and Tuesday saw never-seen-before temperatures as classrooms nudged towards 30° indoors and outside was almost 10° hotter. Thank you for support following the Trust's decision to reduce the day.

Wednesday saw Mrs Huxham's final day as Head of West Ashton. It was a very emotional day not only for her but for staff and children alike. She gifted us a beautiful hawthorn tree and bird feeders and leaves with this message:



Dear Parents.

Thank you so much for the gifts and flowers, it has been a huge pleasure to be Head teacher of this school.

I leave a very special place with very special people that make up this school family.

Thank for all your support over the years.

I would like to thank the children for an amazing send off this afternoon. It is one I will never forget. I will miss you all. But I will still be visiting in my new role. I hand over to Mrs Blake-Thwaite and wish her every success in her new role.

Have a lovely summer

Debby Huxham

### 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.

### Important dates for your diary

5th September—Term 1 2022/2023 begins

6th September—Meet the Team in the school hall at 6pm. Please join us to hear about our new school year.

14th September 6pm— phonics for parents. Everyone welcome, whether you are new to phonics or would like a reminder

### Attendance

Highest attendance:

Voyagers 99%

Lost learning:

65 hours



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Thursday saw us watching a performance by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra. It was specially arranged for Wiltshire schools through Wiltshire Music Connect and showed us different instruments from the orchestral sections and what they sounded like before performing. We had to beat in time to the drums, giant clap to the Game of Thrones soundtrack and click to the rhythm.

Finally, Friday. Goodbye to Year 6. After a wonderful leavers service, Y6 shared a picnic lunch together before we waved them off on their new adventure.





The Tour D'Acorn riders completed their epic tour of all the Acorn schools in record time, arriving back 30 minutes ahead of schedule. They have raised over £2000 and FOWAS will receive over £1000 of it. The rest will be going to Scholars to help families with the cost of school uniform.

Thank you to those who came and cheered them home. They looked exhausted but were still laughing and smiling!

A message from Dorset & Wiltshire Fire:

This coming Monday (25<sup>th</sup>) is World Drowning Prevention Day, and to promote this and the safety messages we have created an online prize draw to win a VIP trip to a local DWFRS fire station. The answers can all be found in the link to the water safety website page (link in the quiz). Click the link to try the quiz: <https://forms.office.com/r/qecSYpgSTD>

imoves is a website we use for active learning and wellbeing. They have summer holiday activity ideas—walks, colouring games and more. They are all free and can be downloaded via [this link](#)

I hope you all have a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing most of you in September. To Year 6—enjoy everything secondary school has to offer. You are more than ready for the new opportunities.

Best wishes,

Mrs Blake-Thwaite

PS—enjoy the reminders of some of the things we have done this year on the following pages.

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](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

# STAY SAFE ONLINE THIS SUMMER

How many tips can you find?

UNSURE? ASK A TRUSTED ADULT

MAKE TIME FOR OTHER HOBBIES

IGNORE TROLLS & BULLIES

AVOID SCROLLING AIMLESSLY

BE KIND

REACT AND COMMENT POSITIVELY

DON'T GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFO

SHARE UPLIFTING CONTENT

WATCH OUT FOR FAKE NEWS

BUYING ONLINE? SPEND CAUTIOUSLY

REPORT BAD ONLINE BEHAVIOUR

TAKE REGULAR SCREEN BREAKS

ACCEPT PEOPLE'S DIFFERENCES

THINK TWICE BEFORE POSTING

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