**Welcome back!**

It’s lovely to see the children back and happily learning again after half-term. With another lockdown approaching, we are delighted that all children will be able to attend school and they will have a sense of normality over the next few weeks. Thank you to everyone for not loitering in the playground and continuing to maintain social distancing as much as possible at drop off and pick up times.

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**Scholastic Book Fair**

Mon 9th - Fri 13th Nov

Our annual book fair will be a bit different this year! The book cases will arrive this week and each class will be shown around them on Friday. You will shortly receive a leaflet via email of all the books available to buy, together with an order form and instructions. Paper order forms will also be available from the School Office. There will also be a raffle for 5 x £5 book vouchers. For every book bought, the child’s name will be entered into a free raffle. The winning 5 children will be able to select a book up to the value of £5 from the book fair.

Purchasing books is a great way to reward children and help with your Christmas shopping list! AND it helps the school earn free books. Last year the school received £491.00 in free books.

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**T4U shoebox**

T4U shoebox collection deadline is this Friday at 12 noon. Thanks you to everyone for the 35 lovely boxes we have already received. We have a couple of spare boxes in the school office for anyone who needs a box.

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**Mrs Prouse**

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Prouse at the end of the month. She is leaving us for personal reasons and we wish her well for the future. We will all miss her.

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**Music lessons**

To confirm, music lessons will continue as normal given the recent government announcement so please ensure instruments are in school when needed.

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**Coats**

All children need to bring coats into school. The playground can be very cold, even when the sun is shining.

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**DIARY DATES**

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**Poppy appeal**

On Friday, we will start selling poppies at school. We have poppies, reflective key ring poppies, pencils, rubbers, rulers, pencil sharpeners and slap bands. Suggested donations of 50p to £1.00 please.

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**FGR**

Last Wednesday and Thursday some Y5’s and Y6’s had two mornings of training, drills fun games and lunch at Forest Green Rovers. The activity days were organised by James Grady their Community Outreach Coordinator. They all loved it and hope they do another activity session in the February half term.
Reception

We are reading ‘Dear Zoo’ and looking at the animals that the zoo sent.
We are learning to add two groups of objects together.
We have been making cages for our zoo animals out of playdough and sticks.

Year 1

After a relaxing half term we have all started working super hard on our topic. We have produced some beautiful pieces of writing about insects which will be displayed in the school.

Year 2

We have been writing about our half term. By Ivy.
We have been sketching leaves. By Theo.
Our new topic is about food in the Victorian times. By Dorothy.

Year 3

This week, year 3 continued writing their Egyptian books. We have also been practicing our estimation skills and 3 x tables!

Year 4

Mr Walton is isolating at home and we have enjoyed our remote learning with him for our lessons. We have enjoyed sketching our patterns and looking forward to using watercolours in our next Art lesson. By Jake & Fin.

Year 5

Hello! This week has been very good so far, we have got a new topic! Philip Pattie, we even wrote a little story about him! We have also got our own folders for PSHE so altogether it has been a very good week! By Oliver and Luca.

Year 6

This week, year 6 made some leavened and unleavened bread from the Viking years.
In Maths, we have been learning fractions and about simplify and equivalent fractions. In DT, we made Viking long boats.

Y6 Viking boats

Value Badges

Mrs Wingfield would like to nominate Aaron Thorpe for a Perseverance badge for working independently and persevering with his writing.
Well done!

We would love to hear about children demonstrating any values in and outside school, please email admin@nailswoth.gloucs.sch.uk

The values are: Generosity, Compassion, Courage, Forgiveness, Friendship, Respect, Thankfulness, Trust, Perseverance, Justice, Service and Thankfulness.
Stars of the week

Y1  Thomas  Y2  Amelie  Y3  Willow  Y4  Alfie  Y5  Toby  Y6  Lachlan

Readers of the week

To follow next week........