



TERM 2 NEWS

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This is our newsletter for Term 2 with all of the information and dates you will need. Please always check the school notice board for weekly updates; this is available at the entrance to the playground and on the website:
www.suttonveny.wilts.sch.uk

TERM 2 DIARY

November	
Weds 8th	FOS Meeting at 9am Poppies on sale in school today Enrichment
Thurs 9th	Brisbane Local Area Walk
Fri 10th	Remembrance poppies at 10:45am Celebration assembly at 2:15pm
Mon 13th	National Anti-bullying Week starts Geraldton gymnastics (pm) Parent Workshop for Canberra and Darwin Class at 6pm
Tues 14th	Nelson Class working with Wiltshire Wildlife Trust (pm) Parent Workshop for Elliston and Geraldton Class at 6pm
Weds 15th	Enrichment
Thurs 16th	Parent Workshop for Auckland, Brisbane and Nelson Class at 6pm
Fri 17th	School Council Fundraiser: Please wear non-school uniform and make a £1 donation for Children in Need Celebration assembly at 2:15pm
Mon 20th	Geraldton gymnastics (pm)
Weds 22nd	Enrichment
Thurs 23rd	Darwin visit to the Ancient Technology Centre in Dorset
Fri 24th	Celebration assembly at 2:15pm FOS Film Night
Sat 25th	Warminster Christmas Market
Mon 27th	Geraldton gymnastics (pm)
Weds 29th	FOS Meeting at 9am Enrichment Full Governing Body Meeting at 6pm

December	
Fri 1st	Celebration assembly at 2:15pm
Sat 2nd	Sutton Veny Christmas Fayre in the Village Hall from 10:30am until 12:30pm
Mon 4th	Last week of clubs Christmas Post Box opens today! Geraldton gymnastics (pm) Carol Singing at Longleat
Tues 5th	Flu Immunisation Programme (am) Carol Singing at Longleat
Weds 6th	Enrichment Carol Singing at St. Lawrence, 6pm
Fri 8th	Celebration assembly at 2:15pm
Mon 11th	Geraldton gymnastics (pm)
Weds 13th	Canberra Carol Singing at Longbridge Deverill Nursing Home Enrichment
Fri 15th	Celebration assembly at 2:15pm
Sun 17th	Sutton Veny Carol Service at 6pm
Mon 18th	Christmas Dress Rehearsals Today
Tues 19th	KS1 Nativity in the hall at 9:30am and 1:45pm KS2 Christmas Performance in the church at 1:45pm and 6:00pm
Weds 20th	Carol Sing Along in the church at 9:30am (Including certificates and birthdays) Christmas Lunch Terms ends at 2pm



GOOD NEWS



PREMISES UPDATE

Over the half term break, Elliston's classroom was painted and a new carpet was fitted. The KS1 reading area has been revamped with artwork produced by children in Auckland, Brisbane and Canberra Class. At the end of last term, the children had the opportunity to work with Steve Porter, a local artist, to create a 'fairy tale' back drop. The result is wonderful and has helped to brighten this area of school.

THANK
YOU!

HARVEST THANKS

Thank you to all of our families for the generous donations for our Harvest festival. Many people in crisis will benefit from the food donated to the Warminster food bank. The school donated an amazing total of 464.4kgs of food and we have received a letter of thanks and certificate from the food bank. Please have a look at them displayed in our noticeboard, on the playground.



CONGRATULATIONS

We are delighted to announce that both Mrs Lucy Lisle and Mrs Charlotte Smith are expecting babies, due at the end of April. I know that you will join me in offering them, and their families, our warmest congratulations. Both Mrs Smith and Mrs Lisle will continue with their teaching commitments until the Easter holidays. In February, we expect to be able to announce who will provide their maternity cover for the rest of the school year.



POPPIES FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

Poppies will be on sale in school from **Wednesday 8th of November**, from Mrs Elliott. The children may like to bring 20p to school to buy one. All donations will go to the Royal British Legion.

On Remembrance Day, **November 10th at 10:45 am** the children will process to the war graves to observe a two-minute silence at 11am. The school will lay a wreath on the Village war memorial, and a silk poppy on each of the war graves. These poppies are flown to us each year, all the way from the Returned Services League (RSL) in Geraldton, Australia. Parents are welcome to join us for the silence, if the weather deteriorates, we will stop for our two minute silence in the Village Hall. Please note that we do not hold a church service, we stop for a silence instead.



WILTSHIRE WILDLIFE TRUST

We are delighted to welcome Wiltshire Wildlife Trust who will offer outdoor learning lessons, as part of our Wednesday enrichment programme. These lessons will take place in the school grounds and on the Alexander Memorial Field. Our aim is to encourage and inspire the children through a positive outdoor experience and a greater appreciation of the natural world. The sessions will be led by Anne Billinge, the Education and Wellbeing Officer for the Trust.

The Wildlife trust is a local charity with a vision to help create a sustainable future for wildlife and people, and a mission to connect people with nature. This term, Nelson Class are benefitting from this enriching opportunity.



HOUSE POINT TOTALS

Each time the children get an eight stamp certificate they are awarded a point for their house. These are the house point totals at the end of Term 1:

- Deverill 33 points (Yellow)
- Were 37 points (Red)
- Nadder 24 points (Blue)
- Wylde 33 points (Green)

TERM 2 TIMETABLES

Each term the timetable for each class changes and so different subjects will be on different days. Each class page on the website is up to date with their new Term 2 timetable - please don't forget to check it.

We take great pride in offering a rich and vibrant curriculum with specialist staff in French, Music, PE, Art, Dance, ICT and Outdoor Learning working in school on a Wednesday afternoon, as part of our Enrichment programme. This means that the children have the opportunity to learn and develop skills in many different areas. We also teach 'Voice Tuition' throughout the school on a Friday morning. This is led by Caroline Radcliffe, a local music and singing specialist. This term Auckland and Elliston are benefitting from voice tuition.

CLUBS for TERM 2

A separate letter with club information was sent home at the beginning of the year. Thank you to all of our staff volunteers who are running clubs this term. Please note that due to the Christmas activities taking place at the end of this busy term, clubs will end the week beginning Monday 4th December.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Anti-Bullying Week is an annual UK event held in the third week in November which aims to raise awareness of bullying and offer ways in which schools, organisations and individuals can work together to prevent it. It is organised by the Anti-Bullying Alliance in England and gives our school the opportunity to raise awareness about bullying and promote our anti-bullying policy.

This year's Anti-Bullying Week will be held from **the 13th to the 17th November** with the theme 'All Different, All Equal'. Mrs Boyd will be leading this special week in our school and School Council will open the week with a special assembly. Please look out for a separate letter, with further information for parents.



FRIENDS OF SCHOOL NEWS

Thank you for the Christmas card orders, these are now being processed. We are busy planning Term 2 activities and invite you to put the following dates in your diary:-

Weds 8th Nov – FOS Meeting

Our next Friends of School meeting is Wed 8th November at 9am. Please join us to discuss ideas for the Christmas Fayre and events for Term 3 and 4.

Fri 24th Nov - School Film Night

The children are invited to come and enjoy BOSS BABY (U rating) with their friends on Friday 24th November in Village Hall.

- Doors open 5:45pm for 6pm start
- Estimated finish 7:40pm
- Donation £2 on door includes Popcorn
- Please bring your own sealed drink
- Come in your PJs if you would like to!



SUPPORTING BBC CHILDREN IN NEED

On **Friday 17th November** we will be supporting Children in Need! School Council are asking all of our children and staff to wear their own clothes, instead of school uniform on this day, and donate £1 to raise money for this worthy cause.

SPORTS NEWS



Children in Geraldton Class will benefit from lessons at Springboard Gymnastics this term. Please note that these will take place on **Mondays between 1:30 -2:30pm**. This opportunity is being paid for by our School Sports Premium. All children in Key Stages 1 and 2 will be given the opportunity to visit Springboard this year, and we hope they will relish the chance to develop their gym skills and use the specialist equipment.



PARENT WORKSHOPS

MEETINGS FOR PARENTS:

We value our strong relationship with parents, and following last term's well-attended Back to School Nights and Learn Along sessions, curriculum evenings are taking place this term for each class. These workshops will provide essential curriculum and assessment information for parents, and share ways to help you support your child with their learning. Please see the calendar for dates. These meetings will all take place in the classroom, and will be finished by 7pm. We kindly ask that children do not attend.



A FREE BOOK FOR AUCKLAND CLASS

As a school we are proud to support the Book Trust, this is a leading children's reading charity. Their flagship campaign 'Time to Read' gifts a free book to every reception-aged child in England. All of the children in Auckland will receive 'The Bumblebear' by Nadia Shireen. These will be handed out at the Auckland parent workshop.

REMINDERS

SLOW DOWN and 'BE SAFE BE SEEN'

As the mornings and evenings are now darker, please take extreme care when you are driving to and from school, or walking with the children. We urge all walkers to 'be safe and be seen' by wearing high visibility clothing. Please may all drivers slow down and avoid the use of Best's Lane as a short cut, due to the number of pedestrians on this single track road.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We ask parents to support our uniform policy and ensure that:

- All items are **clearly labelled** with each child's full name. We can then quickly return any items found!
- Children with their ears pierced only wear studs and that no other jewellery is worn.
- Children **only wear make-up, nail varnish and party headwear** on special dress up days.

As the weather gets colder please make sure your child has a warm, **named coat** in school every day. We also ask that each child has a pair of **named wellies, on our class welly racks.** This means we can continue to use the field and enjoy a frosty morning at playtime!

PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACES, SEPTEMBER 2018

If your child will be four years old before September 2018. You must apply for a primary school place. The deadline for applications is **Noon on 15th January 2018.** Please apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk.



PLEASE 'BE ON TIME – 5 TO NINE'.

8:55am is the time we ring the school bell and this signals the start of our school day. If children are late they miss the opportunity to see their friends before school and they disrupt lessons when they arrive. Please help us reinforce the important life skill of being on time. If children arrive after 9am, please bring them to reception and sign them in.

COMMUNITY NEWS



A request from a parent...

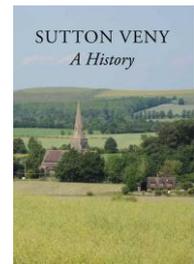
Last year some children who are now in Canberra Class donated a Christmas Shoe Box with gifts for children who are less fortunate than them. This opened up interesting conversations in our house and was the first time that my daughter realised that not every child receives toys at Christmas!

This year I would like to open this opportunity up to the rest of the school. I will collect any donated boxes from the front playground by the table on the afternoons of the 13th and 16th of Nov.

Information about the shoe boxes from the size of the box to suggested gifts can be found on the Samaritans website: www.samaritans-purse.org.uk clicking on the link to Operation Christmas Child.

Please email me if you would like any additional information: louisedix37@yahoo.co.uk

Many Thanks, Lou Hillier (Libby's Mummy)



'Sutton Veny – A History'

Parents may be interested to know that a book, celebrating the history of the village of Sutton Veny, has been written and will be launched at a **Celebration**

Reception in Sutton Veny Village Hall, on **Saturday 25 November at 6pm** by **Andrew Murrison MD MP**

There is a whole chapter about the history of our school with photographs, including some of the annual ANZAC Posy service.

Copies of the book will be available for sale immediately after the launch from the Sutton Veny village website. <https://suttonveny.co.uk>

The price is £10 by cheque, or to avoid delay by BACS (details will be on the web site).



COMING SOON...

We will send out a separate newsletter towards the end of November, with all of our detailed Christmas event information.

Please see the 'December' term dates if you wish to plan ahead and don't forget to check the weekly noticeboard and website.