

Wraxall's School News



Inspiring – Nurturing – Achieving

A lovely week with the children and some amazing celebrations!

It was great to get back to some competitive sport once again and it kicked off in style with our Year 5/6 running club competing in the NSSPEA Cross Country Running Competition. They all did brilliantly, but extra shout-outs got to Eloise for achieving second place for the girls and to Ethan and Zac who demonstrated amazing perseverance and good team work as they supported each other so that they could complete the event. Great to hear!

It has been lovely to read the Year 4, 5 and 6 applications for the role of Pupil Governor. I had the privilege of holding interviews with the candidates this year – their first ever

interviews. They did brilliantly well and gave some very well thought out answers to the questions. See below to find out who our successful candidates are.

Reception have been in good spirits this week. I popped into the playground this week to find them exploring the mirrors and their faces reflected in them. They loved it!

Next week we have all the excitement of Theatre performances and a non-school uniform day on the final day of term.

Right – I am off to enjoy some picnic fun at the new Reception welcome picnic. See you all next week!

Amy Townsend



Important Dates

Thursday 21st October – Theatre Performance at school

Friday 22nd October – Last day of Term. NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

Monday 1st November – INSET DAY. School CLOSED.

Tuesday 2nd November – First day of Term 2. Welcome back everyone!

Wednesday 3rd November – Willow Class School Trip

Stars of the Week

Their work is on display on the Wall of Fame in the School Hall.

Please come and have a look!

Reception – Harper & Connie Year 1/2 – Charles & Celeste

Year 3/4 – Emma, Elana & Max & Maddison

Year 5/6 – Annie & Reuben

Headteacher's Award

Beau, Bow, Maddison (y3), Reuben, Pupil Governors and the Cross Country Running Team



Cross Country Run

written by Raf and Alfie

On 13.10.21 some pupils of Oak class participated and represented Wraxall CofE Primary School in Cross Country Running at Bristol Grammar School grounds. They did so well, every single one of them. Thanks to all the staff members who came to give the participants luck. Especially well done to Eloise who came second place in the girls race. The races were really tough! The children had to work extra hard. Some of us felt a bit sick or tired, but we kept going. The races were more hard than you would think and whatever place you came home with is just a place, be proud of yourself. Remember don't give up and give it your all.



In-School Theatre Performance

The FWSA have funded a theatre performance for all the children on Thursday 21st October.

GNOME GARDEN GOES LIVE!!

Last week you may have spotted some unfamiliar faces at the front of school. Gnomes! We are pleased to reveal our new gnome garden. A HUGE thank you to Harper's dad for his hard work in levelling, lining and filling the space by the front gate so that we could position our gnome guests. We would love to have some more friendly faces in this space, so any further donations of garden figurines would be warmly welcomed.



Thank You Volunteers

A reminder to all our volunteers to return their volunteer information and safeguarding packs to the school office. We will be in contact soon to arrange DBS checks for our new volunteers.

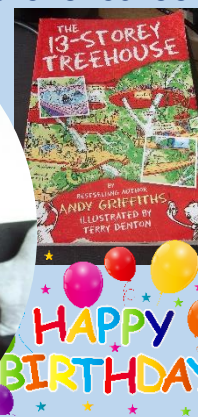
Football Club

We are pleased to welcome Mr Leech to Year 3/4 class for the next three terms as a student teacher. He has very kindly offered to run a Football club once a week during the lunch hour. There is no charge for this club.



Birthday Book

A BIG thank you for some very kind donations of birthday books for school.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To promote our healthy schools message, be inclusive for all children (including those with food/medical needs) and to reduce teacher workload we do not give out sweets in class. Books are always welcome though!

Wellbeing

Listen more and talk less



'WORDS OF THE WEEK'

You may like to talk to your child about these words and see if they can explain their meanings, suggest alternatives and put them in a sentence.

'Words of the Week'

* Bombard * Choppy *
* Blustery * Deluge *
* Flurry *

Memory Garden Coming Soon...

You may have noticed a space has appeared by the Year 5/6 classroom. We are looking to create a memory garden to fill this space. We are looking for donations of benches, trellis, planters, artificial grass, windchimes and plant pots.

If you think you can help then please let Miss T know!



Year 3/4 Dream Jars...

Year 3/4s book corner is looking particularly cosy this year with the amazing dream jars which the children have created and the lovely BFG artwork. Check out some of the dreams...



Pupil Governing Body - The BIG Announcement

The time has finally arrived to announce the names of our highly anticipated Pupil Governors.

All our applicants did really well and wrote some brilliant letters of persuasion as to why they would be right for the role. They all interviewed very well too with some very articulate responses to the questions that they were asked.

Due to lower numbers applying in Year 4 we have been able to increase the Year 6 membership for one year only!

Meet our successful candidates...

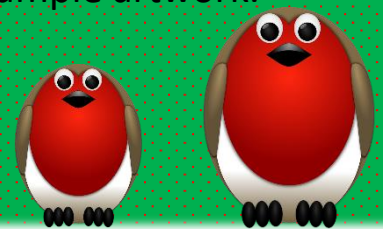
William, Phoebe, Ada, Eloise, Raf, Sienna, Beau, Rosie, Ethan

Special Guest - Jamie Knight Freestyle Footballer

Freestyle footballer Jamie Knight will be joining KS2 for a football session next term on Wednesday 10th November. Jamie is a top 10 in the world freestyle footballer who has worked and performed in over 30 countries at some of the world's most prominent and watched events. He has worked with several top football-ers, starred on Irelands Got Talent and performed at some of the biggest football stadiums in the world. Most recently, he performed on the pitch at the 2017 Champions League final in front of 80,000 and he was also the official Global Mascot for UEFA Euro 2020! Jamie will also be holding an afterschool Freestyle Football Session from 3.15-4.15pm. Payment should be made on ParentPay. First come first served. See the details below.

Christmas Card Designs

The sound of Carols and Buble have been filling the corridors. It must be that time of year again...Christmas card design time! We will let you know more details about ordering cards, mugs, etc. once we have received the sample artwork.



Flu Immunisations

Date is now tbc.

Awaiting further details from
School Nursing Team



Individual School Photos

On 17.11.2021 we are pleased to announce that Tulip photography will be visiting the school to take individual photographs. They will also be taking sibling photographs. If you would like your child to be photographed with a pre-school sibling please be in school at 2.45pm for your photograph.

SAFEGUARDING & E- SAFETY

"Everyone is responsible for safeguarding"

Wraxall CofE Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our pupils. If you are a parent, child, volunteer or member of staff you should share any concern you may have about a child or an adult with either our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Amy Townsend or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, Tamsin Hayward or the Safeguarding Governor, Hazel Mallett. If this is not possible or appropriate and you need to report a concern yourself the numbers below are the main contacts:

Local Area Designated Officer (LADO) 01275 888211 (weekdays 8.45am-5pm or 4.30pm on Friday)

Emergency Duty Team 01454 615165 (outside office hours)

Anyone can refer a safeguarding issue via the NSSCB website (North Somerset Safeguarding Children Board).

If you would like more information then please check out the school website for the LSP Safeguarding Policy and a Wraxall School Policy Summary.

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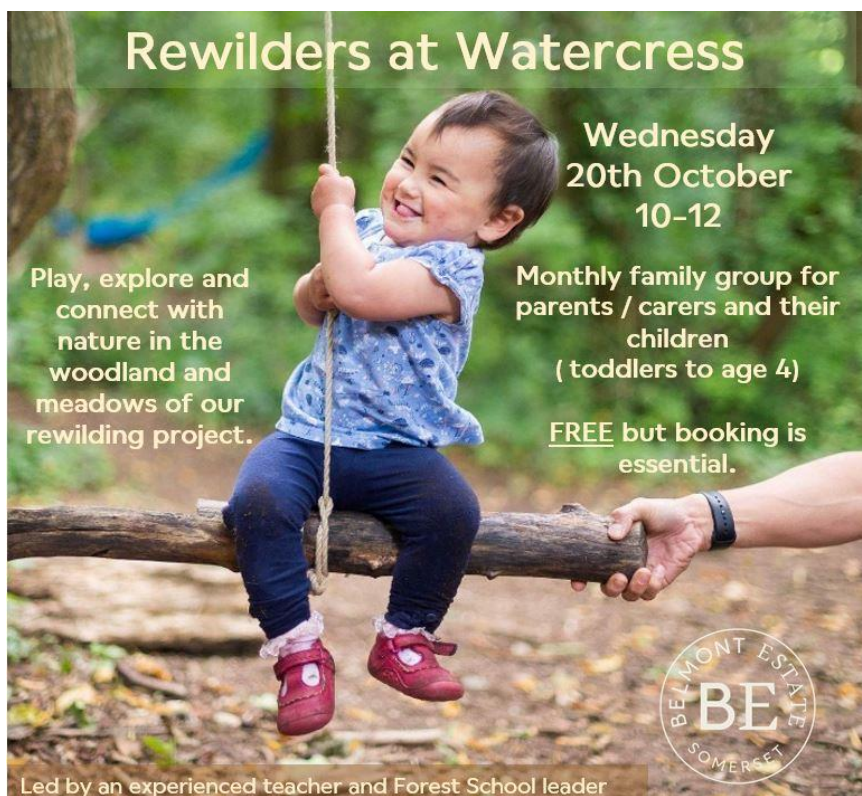
A HUGE Thank You

May I take this opportunity to say a huge THANK YOU for all who were involved last Wednesday evening. Not only that, but the warm and generous welcome to the area by everyone we have met. We are looking forward to living here and sharing in life as we move forward in mission and ministry. It will take time to get to know folks but please get in touch if you would like to rector.wraxallwithfailand@gmail.com. In the love and service of Christ.

Morey, Gillian, Reuben, Tobias, Lois and Caleb

Sunny Saplings

Next week, weather permitting, we will meet at Ashton Court for an Autumnal walk on Friday 22nd October rather than meeting in the Cross Tree on Wednesday 20th. We will meet near the café so that parents can grab a coffee if they wish and then we will go from there. Any parents welcome to join us, with or without children, just check in with Elize. Please dress in weather appropriate clothing, bring a water bottle for the children and I will bring the snacks. We will discuss timings on our Sunny Saplings group chat, for more info contact Parish Office on 01275 852442.



Rewilders at Watercress


**Wednesday
20th October
10-12**

Play, explore and connect with nature in the woodland and meadows of our rewilding project.

Monthly family group for parents / carers and their children (toddlers to age 4)

FREE but booking is essential.

Led by an experienced teacher and Forest School leader



Pupil Premium (Free School Meals Benefit)

Free School Meals

There are two schemes for free school meals:

Universal infant free school meals for all children in reception year, year 1 and year 2 – you don't need to apply as they're automatically given at the school

Free school meals for people on qualifying benefits – you'll need to apply for these

If you claim qualifying benefits and your child is entitled to universal infant school meals, you should still apply for free school meals so as the school is given additional funds, known as pupil premium, to support those children with their learning in school and to assist with other school costs. This can include: 1-1 support, extra reading, phonics and contributions towards trips and enrichment activities.

Qualifying benefits for free school meals

Your child will be entitled to free school meals if you get any of these benefits:

- income support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit with annual take home pay/net earnings below £7,400 (which equals £616.67 per month) benefits not included.

How to apply

Free school meals entitlement is for the child, not the family, so you will need to apply for each child when they start school.

If your child is starting school in September, you should apply during the summer holidays as we cannot deal with your application earlier. Applying too early could result in your application being removed.

If you are moving into North Somerset from another area you will need to apply. You will need your National insurance number to apply.

When to reapply

Due to the roll out of Universal Credit, all pupils that are currently eligible for free school meals will be protected until the end of the school stage they are in on 31 March 2022. This means if your child is receiving free school meals at primary school in March 2022, you won't need to reapply for them until they start secondary school. Children do not receive free school meals in college. If your child changes school or address before 31 March 2022, email fsm@nsomerset.gov.uk so we can update your free school meals record.



FREESTYLE FOOTBALL MASTERCLASS



TAKE YOUR SKILLS FURTHER!



JAMIE KNIGHT - TOP 10 IN WORLD FREESTYLER



ABOUT THE MASTERCLASS

The Freestyle Masterclass is a 1 hour after school detailed workshop designed to take the skills learnt in the original workshop further. Jamie will teach an additional 5-10 Freestyle moves whilst offering key advice for learning Freestyle Football quicker and more efficiently.



WHAT TO EXPECT

- ✓ Personalised Coaching From Top UK Freestyler
- ✓ Learn An Extra 5 - 10 Freestyle Tricks & Transitions
- ✓ In-depth 1 to 1 Freestyle Coaching & Advice
- ✓ Photo / Autograph / Question Opportunities



ABOUT JAMIE

www.KnightFreestyle.com

COST

£10 for 1 hour



ASK JAMIE

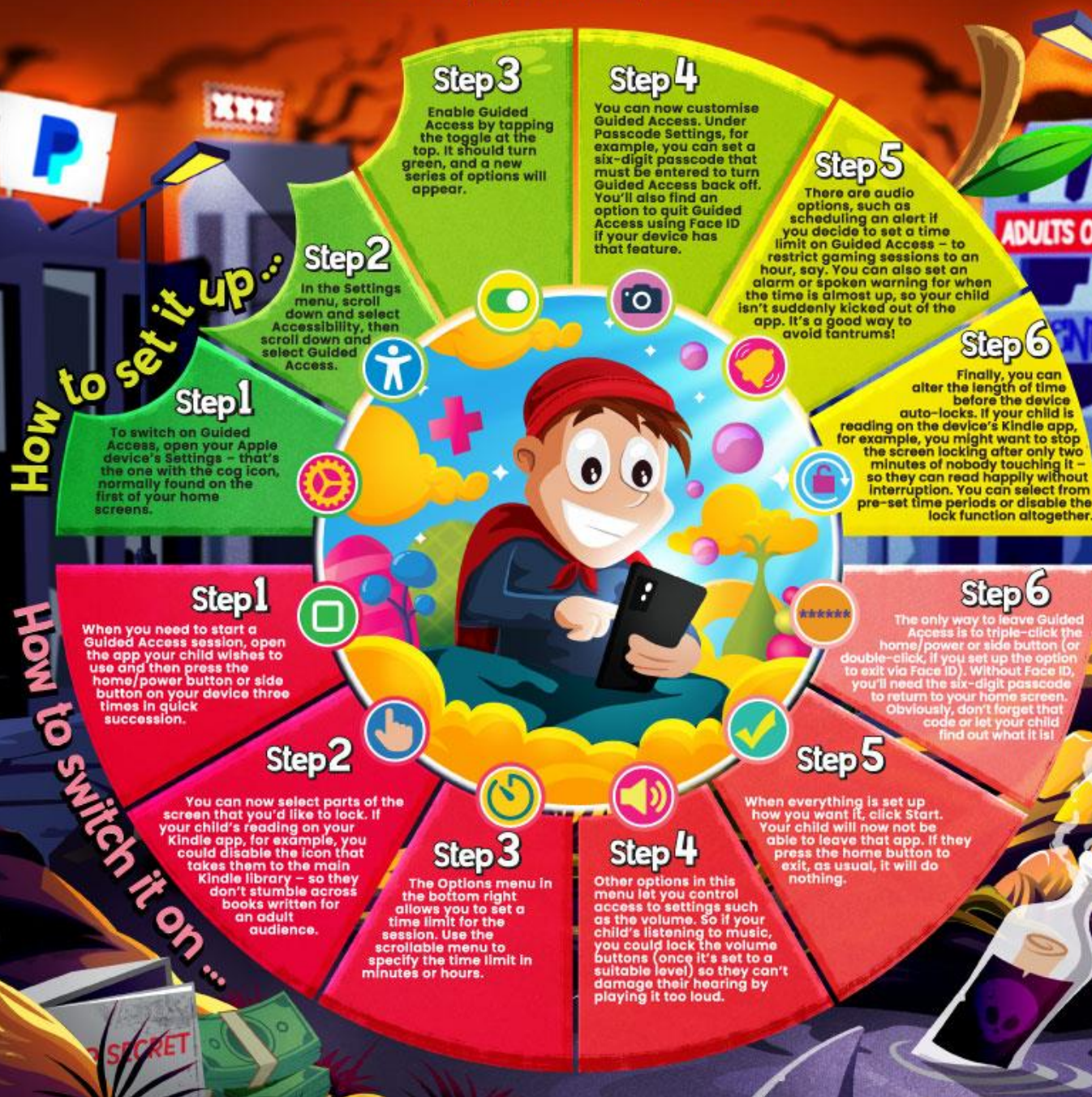
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Wednesday 10th November

What Parents and Carers Need to Know about APPLE GUIDED ACCESS

iPhones and iPads don't offer separate user accounts. So when you hand your Apple device to a child to play a game or watch a video, you're also handing them access to your email, the web, messaging and numerous other apps through which they could accidentally do something regrettable.

Apple Guided Access solves this potential problem by letting you restrict the iPhone or iPad to one particular app whenever your child uses the device. If they try and leave that app, they will be asked for a password or Face ID, meaning they can't access anything they shouldn't elsewhere on the device. Here, we show you how to find and set up the Guided Access feature, so you can confidently let your child borrow your iPhone or iPad.



Meet Our Expert

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