

Wraxall's School News



Inspiring – Nurturing – Achieving

What a week! The weather outside may have been wet, windy and cold but it certainly didn't dampen the spirits at Wraxall as the children headed off to take part in their, what has now become annual, tobogganing trip at Mendip Activity centre. The children had an absolutely fantastic time and their comments below are just a small snapshot of the fun that they had. We have more enriching experiences taking place over the next few weeks with our Lunar New Year Dance workshops for the whole school on Tuesday afternoon this week and the NSPCC Numbers day coming up soon. We are also looking to hold some special Valentines activities later this term, as the children are eager to lead some more school fundraising events so watch this space for their adverts for these! If any parents have any skills, talents, etc. that they would be happy to share with the children please do let us know as these will really help to enrich your child's learning.

It has been lovely to hear about the children's holidays and to wish you all a Happy New Year – unfortunately lots of families were hit with the winter bugs this year and we thank you for continuing to keep your child at home if they aren't well. The term is whizzing along and we're already a third of the way through!

Have a lovely weekend,

Amy Townsend

Dates for January/February 2023

- Monday 16th January** - Open the Book Drama in school hall - whole school at 10.15am
- Tuesday 17th January** - Lunar New Year Dance Workshops – all children to wear PE kit
- Friday 3rd February** - NSPCC Numbers Day - Children are invited to wear clothes with a number theme for the day - Children to bring donations into school and monies raised will be donated to the NSPCC.
- Monday 6th February** - Open the Book Drama in school Hall - whole school at 10.15am.
- Friday 10th February** - Last day of Term 3
- Monday 20th February** - First day of Term 4
- Wednesday 22nd February** - Year 3 /4 Swimming Lessons begin - Children travelling to Portishead Leisure Centre



Star of the Week

Reception - Laila

Year 1 & 2 - Natasha, Stefaniia & Anna

Year 3 & 4 - Elsie Year 5/6 - Henry

Headteacher's Award

Lawson



Get a good night's
Sleep



WAYS TO HELP THE WORLD

Donate unwanted clothes
to the clothes bank in the
church car park



Lunar New Year Celebrations

This week is Lunar New Year. The children
will be taking part in Lunar New Year
themed dancing workshops with Hayley,
Beats Dance, this week.

All children will need to wear their school
PE kit on Tuesday.



Tobogganing Trip

The whole school enjoyed a trip (if rather
soggy) to Mendip Activity Centre for a
Tobogganing Session. Below are quotes
from the children. Everyone had a great
time, (even the staff), and learned some
good skills.

Can we say a BIG THANK YOU to those
parents who volunteered and helped out
on the day in the wet weather. We couldn't
do these trips without your help.

Thank You

What have we been learning in class this fortnight?

Maple Class have been...

We have had fun making clay penguins.

We have been learning how to blend sounds in English.



Willow Class have been...

In English we have been reading the book 'Tadpoles Promise'

In Maths we have been learning about money.

Pine Class have been...

Learning about Egypt and why the River Nile is so important.

We have been studying rocks in Science Lessons.



Oak Class have been...

Learning about Medieval Monarchs in our History unit.

Our new Science unit is learning about solids, liquids and gasses.



TOBOGGANING QUOTES FROM PINE AND OAK CLASS

I liked it when all the Year 6's went down the slope together and I really liked being in the forest reading stories. - **Isla**

I really enjoyed that we got sprayed with water on the way down the slope and I enjoyed the storytelling in the forest. It was cool - **Tommy**

I loved going down the slopes really fast with my friends. I didn't like walking back up the slope, it was really tiring. - **Aurora**

I really liked going down the hills on the toboggans - **Lilia**

Tobogganing – Maple Class

I loved the sledging. We went over wobble bits and you held onto the handles – **Ellis**

My best bit was when Mimi's daddy pushed me and I went super fast - **Amber**

I loved going really fast with my friends - **Mimi**

Tobogganing – Willow Class

It was really good fun. I got to go really fast down the slope in the rain – **Edward**

This is the best day ever in my life - **Raheem**

I loved the sledging. I could turn really fast and I got to splash through the puddles - **Leo**

I learnt how to go tobogganing fast down the hill - **Pippa**

Cardboard Shoe Boxes

Willow Class need some shoe boxes for a project about the 'Great Fire of London'. If you have a spare shoe box, please bring into school by the 30th January 2023.



Changes to School Menu

Thursday the 19th January is school census day. The menu has been changed to Beef Burgers, Veggie Burgers or Vegan Sausages.

Make sure that you have signed your child up for lunch if you want a school dinner on this day.

Thank You

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, Vicki Sheppard 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: If your concern is regarding the Headteacher you should contact Gary Lewis, CEO for Lighthouse Schools Partnership

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

North Somerset Social Care 01275 888 808

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

Emergency Duty Team 01454 615165 (outside office hours)

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

CHURCH NEWS

There were approximately 9 additional seasonal services held in the parish churches throughout December from School Christingles to Christmas Communions. These services rely on forward planning, preparation, volunteers, donations and your attendance/participation. As we reflect on the times we gathered together, we'd like to say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who made it all possible. If you have any feedback, please get in touch and we'll let you know how much was raised for Caring at Christmas!

Start Course 2022

If you're looking for answers then maybe it's time to make a Start...

Normally run in groups of about 6 to 10 people, each session involves video clips, exercises, group discussion and time for reflection. Each session lasts about an hour and is free to attend.

- What's life all about and where are we going?
- Does God exist and what is He like?
- Why is the world in such a mess?
- Who was Jesus, and is He relevant?
- What does Jesus' death on the cross mean for me today?
- How far can I go forward with God in my life?

God, Jesus and the journey of life in 5 sessions

Cost? Absolutely nothing, the course is free

When? Starts Wed 18th January for 5 weeks

Where? Cross Tree Centre, Wraxall

Time? 7.00pm for puddings and 7.30pm start

Any questions contact: Morey Andrews or rectorwraxallwithfailand@gmail.com

Sunny Saplings!

Our Resident toddler group, Sunny Saplings is up and running again for this term on Friday Mornings 9.00am-11.00am in The Cross Tree Centre at Wraxall Church. Come along with little ones for snacks, drinks, activities and friendly chat. Contact Elize in the Parish Office for more information: wraxallwithfailandparish@gmail.com.

Next First Monday Monthly Coffee Morning: Monday February 6th