26th June 2026

*'As individuals we let our 'light' shine, but **we shine brighter together.**'*

This week the sunshine has certainly made its presence known and I want to start by thanking our brilliant staff who have taken everything in their stride. Their careful planning and adapted activities have kept our children happy and safe. Pupils have enjoyed time in the wooded area, adapted lunchtimes (Lego and construction on rugs in shaded areas), and of course, water games which were great fun. Ice lollies yesterday were a lovely treat and welcome refreshment—thank you to Mrs. Wootten for providing these.

As we move into next week, the forecast suggests temperatures will ease but please do keep sending children in with a **filled water bottle**, a **sun hat**, and **sunscreen applied before school**.

With so many sporting fixtures postponed this week, there is now a lot to pack in during the remaining few weeks of term. Between KS2 rehearsals, transition events and re-scheduled sporting events, it looks to be a very busy (and exciting!) time.

Wishing you all a good long weekend,

Miss Prichard

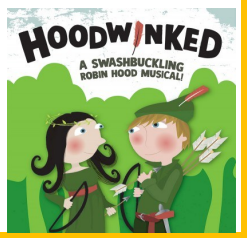
Sports Day

Sports Day will go ahead this Friday (3rd July) from 9:15 to 11:15am, weather permitting. Should this need to change, we will update you.

Please can children wear a plain T-shirt the colour of their house if possible. We look forward to it!

KS2 'Hoodwinked' Production

Lights, camera, action! Please see the last page for 'Hoodwinked' performance dates and times. KS2 parents will have received costume information this week —please send costumes in by Friday 10th July. Ticket information will be sent next week.



Upcoming Events

Monday 29th June
INSET day

Tuesday 30th
Y5/6 Netball Match @ Lea & Garsdon Primary, 3:30—4:30pm

Wednesday 1st July
Induction Visit: New Reception Pupils

Thursday 2nd
Ruby walk around Oaksey as part of their 'Houses and Homes' topic

Friday 3rd
Sports Day, 9:15—11:15am

Monday 6th
Y5/6 Cricket Tournament @ Malmesbury Cricket Club, 9:15am—2:45pm

Wednesday 8th & 9th
Y6 Transition Days at Malmesbury Secondary School

Thursday 9th
Class Shuffle Day (in new classes for next year)

Induction Visit: New Reception Pupils

Monday 13th
Y5/6 Rounders Tournament @ Malmesbury Secondary School, 1—3:15pm

Enhancing our Phonics Provision

We are delighted to have secured English Hub funding to enable us to enhance our current phonics provision. The funding will enable us to invest in:

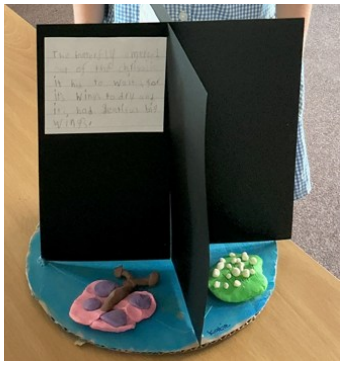
English Hubs
Ramsbury English Hub

- Decodable books that align with our phonics scheme that can be sent home for Ruby and Sapphire pupils.
- KS2 catch-up resources—matched decodable readers and intervention programme materials.

All staff will be training on the use of our phonics programme and the new materials during our INSET day on Monday. We will be offering Parent Reading Meetings in September to explain more.

A Snapshot of our Fortnight…

Bubble fun, gardening, drawing Victorian artefacts, learning about butterfly life cycles and water games…



Crudwell 24 Hour Bike Ride

Congratulations to all of our pupils who took part in the Crudwell 24 Hour Bike Ride. The 'Mighty Oaks' - Wolfe, Tarka, Henry, Jack, George, Chris, Kwe, Erin and Grace - put in a great effort, taking it in turns to cycle for a full 24 hours and raise money for the St. Vincent de Paul Nursery in Kibera, Nairobi, Kenya. The team won an award for the most money raised, were second in the under 11's category and won the trophy for sportsmanship. A superb effort for a brilliant cause.

Transition Arrangements and New Classes

As we approach the end of the school year, we are beginning our **transition activities** to help children feel confident and prepared for their next steps. Over the next few weeks there will be:

A Class Shuffle Day on Thursday 9th July — Each class will spend time in their new class with their new teacher (if moving class).

Information sharing between staff — Current teachers are meeting with next year's teachers to share key information about each child's learning, strengths and needs.

Additional Transition Sessions — Additional transition sessions are being arranged for pupils who may benefit from extra reassurance.

Class Teachers next year are:

Ruby	Mrs. Troughton
Sapphire	Mrs. Williams
Emerald	Mr. Williams
Diamond	Mr. MacLeod

Each class will benefit from Teaching Assistant support and interventions which will run in the afternoons.

Key Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 14th July	Emerald & Diamond Drama Production: 1:30—2:30pm (siblings, parents, grandparents)
Wednesday 15th July	Emerald and Diamond Drama Production: 6:30—7:30pm (parents/grandparents)
Wednesday 22nd July	Y6 Leavers' Service, All Saints Church, 9:15—10:30am

From all the Staff and Governors at Oaksey CE Primary School

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