

GOMELDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 12th September 2025

Value of the term: Relationships

Learners of the Week

Ash Class: Max, a super Scientist

Oak Class: Amelia, an amazing Mathematician Beech Class: Ada, a marvellous Mathematician Chestnut Class: Hugh, a fantastic Mathematician Sycamore Class: Daniel, a great Mathematician



Next Week's Menu



School Meals and Funding

If you are in receipt of certain benefits you could be eligible to receive free schools meals for your child right the way through Primary school. There is a benefit to school if you apply early for this, you can check your eligibility online at;

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.
Please still apply even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2.
Please do make contact with the school office if you have any questions about this.

School Tours September 2026

Do you know anyone due to start school in September 2026? Please pass this on!

We are excited to be booking tours for Reception starters in September 2026!
Please contact Mrs Pulford or Mrs Andrews in the school office where they will be happy to book you a one to one tour to come and visit our family feel village school.

01980611370 admin@gomeldon.wilts.sch.uk

Curriculum Letters to Parents and Homework

Curriculum letters to parents and carers are now available on the school website. You can find these in the Parents tab and access the class page for your child.

You will also be able to find the homework menu for your child's class. Please don't hesitate to ask if you would like a paper copy, we can print this for you at school.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

It's that time of year again, please read the following NHS letter related to the Flu Vaccination for your child - action is required!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's flu vaccination is now due.

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

Please complete the consent form (yes or no) using the following link:

www.bswschoolagedimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu

Please use the school code: WT126195

Please ensure you complete your child's consent no later than 48 working hours before your school session to ensure your child receives their vaccination.

We are visiting your child's school Gomeldon Primary School on 12 December 2025

Most children are offered a nasal spray vaccine which is a quick, simple and painless spray up the nose. The nasal spray vaccine is the preferred vaccine.

A leaflet explaining the vaccination programme for primary aged children can be accessed at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/66730c5864e554df3bd0db99/UKHSA_12922_Protecting_your_child_against_flu_leaflet_03_WEB.pdf

A leaflet explaining the vaccination programme for secondary aged young people can be accessed at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/64a2e2e245b6a2000c3d47de/UKHSA-12388-protect-yourself-against-flu_information-for-those-in-secondary-school.pdf

This includes details about the small number of children for whom the nasal vaccine is not appropriate. The nasal spray vaccine contains a very small amount of gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine) as an essential ingredient to keep it stable and able to work. For those who may not accept medicines or vaccines that contain porcine gelatine, a porcine-free flu vaccine injection is available as an alternative. Consent can be provided using the link above.

Primary School Aged Children requiring injectable flu: Once you have completed the consent form for the flu injection, the Immunisation Team will send you a link to book your child into one of our Community Clinics you will then be directed to book a clinic appointment.

Even if your child had the vaccine last year, the type of flu can vary each winter, so it is recommended to have it again this year or they won't be protected. Since the programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have had the immunisation.

If you have any queries, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Team on 0300 247 0082 or email us using vcl.immunisations@nhs.net

Yours sincerely,

Roanna Ellis

Professional Lead for School Aged Immunisation, B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire, and B&NES School Aged Health

If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started oral steroids for their asthma after you return this form, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Team on 0300 247 0082.

If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, please complete the consent form giving the reason. This will help us plan and improve the service.

For further information see: www.nhs.uk/child-flu

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes.

For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about CONSPIRACY THEORIES

Conspiracy theories are false or misleading beliefs that explain events as secret plots, often involving powerful groups. While once fringe, they are now more accessible through digital media, online influencers and because of algorithmic recommendations. The DfE guidance document, 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' (KCSIE) explicitly recognises conspiracy theories as potential content risks. This guide will help parents and educators understand the risks, spot the signs, and build children's resilience to conspiracy theories.

UNDERMINING TRUST

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Conspiracy theories can lead children and conspiracy theories can lead children and young people to distrust democratic institutions and British Values, teachers, and even their own families and loved ones. This erosion of trust makes young people more vulnerable to extremist narratives by isolating them from reliable sources of information.

ONLINE ALGORITHM

Social media platforms can often recommend sensationalist content. Once a child engages with one conspiracy-themed video or post, algorithms push more of the same, thereby creating an echo chamber that can intensify their beliefs.

MENTAL HEALTH IMPACT

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Exposure to frightening conspiracy content, such as global plots, viruses, or government control, can fuel feelings of anxiety, paranoia, or hopelessness. For some young people, it can trigger prolonged distress or obsessive thinking.

GATEWAY TO EXTREMISM

Conspiracy theories can often overlap with extremist ideologies. Narratives that blame specific groups, such as politicians, scientists, or particular ethnic groups, can groom children in ways that foster hate, bigotry, and realization.

CONFLICT WITH PEERS

Belief in conspiracy theories can lead to isolation or conflict at school. Children may isolation or conflict at school. Children may struggle with peer relationships if they express these beliefs or become distrustful of others who disagree; sometimes, confrontation can even result in a strengthening of the belief in the conspiracy theory.

ERODED CRITICAL THINKING

Young people influenced by conspiracies may reject evidence-based learning. This risks undermining their academic progress and weakening their ability to think critically, assess

Advice for Parents & Educators

CREATE SAFE CONVERSATIONS

on't mock or dismiss any questions that children and young people ask about conspiracy theories. Instead, create open, judgement-free spaces to talk. This strengthens trust and makes it more likely they will confide in you

PROMOTE CRITICAL THINKING

Teach young people how to assess information critically. Encourage them to ask appropriate questions, such as: Who is telling me this? What evidence is there? What do other trusted sources say? Use real examples from current to explain your answers and reasoning.

MONITOR DIGITAL BEHAVIOUR

REINFORCE RELIABLE SOURCES

Point children toward trustworthy and reliable sources of news and information in a variety of formats tailored to the young person's age. Build habits of verifying facts using reliable sources, and teach them how to spot misleading content.



Meet Our Expert

Brendan O'Keeffe is a headteacher and digital education consultant with over a decade of experience in education. As Director of Digital Strategy across multiple schools and an advist to The National College, he specialises in digital safety, PREVENT,



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Source: See full reference list on guide page at: https://nationalcollege.com/guides/conspiracy-theories



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Gomeldon Diary Dates

Please note that some dates may be subject to change Additional Dates in BOLD.

8.10.25	Individual photographs	
14.10.25 & 16.10.25	Parent Consultation Meetings – 3:40pm – 6:00 pm	
15.10.25	Oak Class curriculum showcase	
23.10.25 – 2.11.25	October Half Term Holiday	
3.11.25	First day of Term 2	
24.11.25	Image Theatre Productions in school	
12.12.25	Flu Vaccines	
16.12.25	Christmas Carol Concert for Years 4, 5 and 6 @6pm	
22.12.25 - 4.1.26	Christmas Holidays	
5.1.26	First day of Term 3	
13.2.26	TD Day – no school for pupils	
16.2.26 – 22.2.26	February Half Term Holiday	
23.2.26	First Day of Term 4	
5.3.26	World Book Day	
17.3.26 & 19.3.26	Parent Consultation Meetings – 3:40pm – 6:00pm	
30.3.26 – 12.4.26	Easter Holidays	
13.4.26	First Day of Term 5	
11.5.26	SATs week for Year 6	
18.5.26	Class Photographs	
25.5.26 – 31.5.26	May Half Term Holiday	
1.6.26	TD Day – no school for pupils	
2.6.26	First Day of Term 6 for Pupils	
17 – 19.6.26	Avon Tyrrell Residential for Years 5 & 6	
16.7.26	End of Year Disco and Y6 Leavers party	
20.7.26	Year 6 Leavers assembly @ 2:40pm	
21.7.26	Last day of school for pupils	
22.7.26	TD Day – no school for pupils	



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September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Open Evening – Wednesday 24th September

We are delighted to announce the arrangements for our Open Evening taking place on Wednesday 24th September, 5.00pm – 7:00pm.

This is an event for students, Parents/Carers currently looking at secondary schools in the area, and is designed as a "Introduction to WSE". Therefore, if you haven't taken part in any of our recent Open Events, this is the perfect event for you to attend.

During the evening there will be an opportunity to hear from our Senior Leadership team, and to tour our school, led by some of our wonderful students. Whilst normal lessons will not be taking place, we will provide you with a glimpse into our school and an opportunity to explore our learning spaces.

After the tour, there will be a further opportunity to ask any questions you may have for our Senior Leadership Team and Students.

Refreshments will be available from our PTA.

If you would like to attend please book your place via the link below:

Open Evening Booking Form

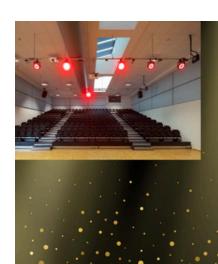
If you are unable to make this event, we do still have some spaces available on our Year 6 Open Morning on Wednesday 17th September. Please follow the link on our Website.

Yours sincerely

Mr B Burley

Acting Headteacher





THE STONEHENGE

OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER FROM 4.30 - 7.00 PM

COME AND JOIN US AT OUR OPEN EVENING AND MEET THE HEADTEACHER ALONG WITH THE SENIOR TEAM. SPEAK TO STUDENTS AND STAFF ABOUT WHAT LIFE IS LIKE AT THE SCHOOL.

TAKE PART IN EXPERIMENTS, SAVOUR THE DELIGHTS OF OUR FOOD TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT, WATCH PRACTICAL PE DISPLAYS AND GET TO LOOK AT OUR NEW
PHASE TWO BUILDING.



(PARKING IS LIMITED SO ADVICE WOULD BE TO POSSIBLY USE TESCO OR B & M CAR PARKS IF COMING BY CAR)

HOLDERS ROAD, AMESBURY, SP4 7PW WEBSITE - WWW.STONEHENGE.WILTS.SCH.UK TEL - 01980 632407 EMAIL - OFFICE@STONEHENGE.WILTS.SCH.UK









Open Events for Year 6 Applicants

Open Evening

Thursday 25 September 2025 16:30-19:00

- no booking required

School Tours

Monday 6 October -Thursday 23 October 202 5 . Book via the QR code or visit our website "Students thrive at this

welcoming and happy school"
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KIMPTON HOLIDAY CAMP





Monday 27th - Friday 27th October

Breakfast Club: 08:00 - 09:00 Camp Day: 09:00 - 15:00 Extended Club: 15:00 - 16:00 Extended Club: 15:00 - 17:30

Childcare vouchers & Tax-Free Childcare payments are accepted.

BOOKINGS FROM £28.50

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MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER - FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER

Early Bird Prices

	DAY	WEEK
Breakfast Club (08:00 – 09:00)	£5.00	£20.00
Day Booking (09:00-15:00)	£28.50	£128.25
Extended Club (15:00 – 16:00)	£5.00	£20.00
Extended Club (15:00 – 17:30)	£10.50	£42.00



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www.phcamps.co.uk

01225 701830 bookings@phcamps.co.uk



De a Chorister for a Day

Saturday 4 October 2025, 1pm-6pm



Does your child love singing? If so they may enjoy the chance to become a chorister for a day. Children in years 2, 3, and 4 are welcome to enjoy a fun afternoon of singing and music at the Cathedral school and in Salisbury Cathedral, after which they will sing with the current choristers at an Evensong service.

Salisbury Cathedral For more information contact
h.greatrix@salcath.co.uk
01722 555300
or visit salisburycathedral.org.uk







Come and meetother parents/carers tosupport, help and encourage each other to share feelings and experiences about your child with additional needs.

Discuss and share ideas that support you to come up with solutions to problems and behaviours that challenge on the basis of what works - not what's meant to work!

(No formal diagnosis required)

Join us virtually on Microsoft Teams:

Wednesdays 10am-12pm

8th October - 3rd December (no session during October Half Term)

https://wiltshiretogether.org.uk/alltogether



Scan QR code to register your interest or call us on 0800 970 4669



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16th October - 4th December



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