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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to everyone who attended the Parent Workshop this week. Times tables and spelling are key in school, so are things that the children benefit from practising at home. If you need any further support or guidance with these areas, please do speak to the class teacher.





As you will probably have seen on the national news, one of the largest teaching Unions (NEU) have voted to strike. There are seven dates nationally that have been announced with four of them impacting the South West. These dates are **Wednesday 1st February**, **Thursday** 2nd March, Wednesday 15th March and Thursday **16th March**. Staff are striking due to the many years of pay freezes the sector have had in addition to the funding issues that schools are facing which is making it more and more challenging to meet the needs of all children. Staff do not have to indicate until nearer the strike days (or on the day itself) as to whether they will be striking. At this stage, I am not aware of which classes will be affected but I will communicate information to you when I am able.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone,

Mrs Capel.

Dates for the Diary

Term 3 Dates

3rd February – Spanish Day

7th February - Bingo Evening 5pm - please book in via

9th February – Safer Internet Day

10th February - End of term

Term 4 Dates

20th February - Start of Term 4

2nd March – World book day (with Books at Bedtime)

14th March – World Math's day

17th March - Red nose day

27th March – Learning meeting week

31st March - End of term

26th May 2023 21st July 2023



Class Attendance

Seacole CD – 94.6% Armstrong SD – 91.8% Armstrong MN – 92.7% Newton RF - 92.5% Newton JB - 94% Newton LB -93.1%

King IJ - 93.6%

King AB – 95.1%

Medical appointments (unless urgent) should be taken outside of the school day.





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Reading

Seacole CD - 50% Armstrong SD - 76% Armstrong MN -54% Newton RF -57% Newton JB - 65% Newton LB - 70% King IJ - 65% King AB - 82%



Well done to King AB with a score of 82%. Can any other year groups meet our target of 90% next week? Do not forget that reading regularly is part of our homework expectations.

Reading 5 times a Week Homework

Just a reminder that our weekly home learning is for children to read 5 times week. Unfortunately, our reading percentages are very low and far away from our target of 90%.

In your child's reading record, you will see a weekly recording slip- you only need to date it after you have read with your child to ease the burden of writing comments as we know this takes up more time. You child's class teacher will tick the slip to indicate they have seen it. If this slip is missing, please let the class teacher know.

| | I have read once this week (add date) | I have read twice this week (add date) | I have read three times this week (add date) | I have read 4 times this week (add date) | I have read 5 times or more this week! (add date) | Teacher to tick off |
|--------|---|--|--|--|--|------------------------|
| Week 1 | | | | | | |
| Week 2 | | | | | | |
| Week 3 | | | | | | |
| Week 4 | | | | | | |
| Week 5 | | | | | | |

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Bingo - 7th February 5pm.

Eyes down looking for the return of our Pucklechurch bingo event! We'd love for you to join us for a night of prizes, snacks, drinks and fun. Tickets are now on sale - £3 per person for one strip or £4 per person for 2 strips. Please book your place and pay (cash only please) via the office. Unfortunately, Arbor could not cope with the complexity of this so we have had to change the system. If you have

booked in already, your place is saved - but if you do need additional places, do book these in via the office.

Bingo cards will be handed out on the night.

We have been asked if children can attend alone which unfortunately is not possible and all people attending need to book a place.

As well as purchasing tickets, you can also support by donating prizes for either a full house or a line – the perfect opportunity to 'regift' any unwanted/surplus Christmas presents. Please give any donations of prizes to your child's class teacher or hand them in at the office. We have very few donations in at the moment so please do see if you have anything you can bring in.

Don't forget to book your place via the office.



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Parking Safely

Following a complaint from a resident in the village, please can we remind all parents not to park in front of driveways or junctions or on the yellow zig zags lines.

Please do not use the staff carpark without permission.



Data Collection Forms

Thank you to those who have returned your Data Collection forms. If you have not yet

done so, please can we ask that you return these forms to the office asap so we can ensure all your information is correct on Arbor.

World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March

It is World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March, which we would love to support and promote a love of reading. To make life a

little easier, we would like children to come in nightwear such as PJs or onesies (or even comfortable jogging bottoms/jumpers). We thought this would relieve some stress and worries about buying costumes and hopefully give you plenty of notice of this. We will be running a books at bedtime after school which we will provide more details about and will be appearing on Arbor soon, if your child would like to attend.



School Census

Thank you to everyone who booked in for a school meal on Census day.

This helps our funding and we really appreciate your support.

We had 151 number of children booked in out of 192

Infant Agility



Years 1, 2 and 3 took part in their annual infant agility testing, which is supported by CSET, who run the local area sports competitions in school.

Year 5 and 6 pupils were trained on how to support the children

through the activities and did an amazing job of explaining, recording and monitoring the children's

performances.

Each pupil completed a balance, jump, throw and sprint overall athletic performance of each pupil and can then be each year as they move through Key Stage 1 and Lower

Well done to everyone, we will find out some results in the recognise the children who achieved high scores in assembly.





task. This measures the measured and compared Key Stage 2.

next few weeks and we will



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Parent Workshop

Thank you to everyone to attended our parent workshop. It was lovely to see the children showing off their learning and engaging with the adults.

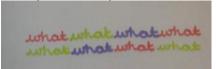
Top tips to help your child at home with their learning



Activity 1: Write two variations of a word using different phoneme and your child has to choose the correct one

Activity 2: Have different words using the same rule. Some spelt correctly and others not spelt correctly. Can they circle where the rule has been used correctly. Can they create their own web where they have found different words using a rule

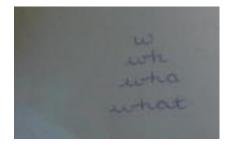
Activity 3: Can they rewrite their words lots of times using different colours?



Activity 4: Write their words in different shapes

Activity 5: Correctly misspelt spellings







Pupil Premium

You may qualify for your child to receive pupil premium.

Pupil premium is a funding stream that is received by schools if any of the following apply to your family:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods, and your monthly average income over three assessment periods should be no more than £616.67)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are 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.

If you think you may qualify, please follow the link below. If you qualify your child will receive school meals for free every day along with other benefits outlined in our Pupil Premium strategy on the website.

Use this link to apply:

https://oneb2b.southglos.gov.uk/CitizenPortal LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCitizenPortal LIVE%



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They will be discussing the parent forum, and how they support parents and schools. Please sign up in the office or email us if you would like to attend.