Term Dates

July 7th 2023 Newsletter

Silverwood School

Building Community, Inspiring Learning

Value for Term 6 Kindness



Campus News

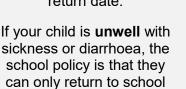
Chippenham Campus

Members of the school council created bird boxes using pieces of wood that were off cuts from the new build. Staff from Wilmot Dixon brought them to us and helped us put them together. They will visit us again so we can paint them and then they will be put up at each campus.











when they have been clear of symptoms for **48** hours.

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Term 6

06/06/23 - 25/07/23

Please note that the school is finishing early on the last day of term 6 –

Tuesday 25th July @ 13:40

<u>Term 1</u>

Fri 1st September – TD Day

<u>Mon 4th September – TD</u> <u>Day</u>

05/09/23 - 17/10/23

Absence

If your child is going to be absent from school please ensure you inform the school before 9.30am. You will need to let us know the reason and the expected return date. Chippenham campus had a great time with Singing Hands and focusing on all things Communication for Communication Day. We also had a surprise visit from the local fire station. Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to join us for a session on that day.



Rowde Campus

Silverwood School Rowde campus Literacy Leaders (LL) met to discuss all things Literacy and to share all the best practice that they have been doing across the school site.

Literacy Leaders have a responsibility in class ensuring that the Silverwood Reading Logs are up to date and that reading from their classmates is recorded daily. LL's also have a big responsibility in keeping the reading areas organised and monitor all reading resources, ensuring they are kept neat and tidy. They also have the VERY BIG responsibility in asking for reading resources which have been requested from the tutor group they represent. Another key role of the Literacy Leader is to be able to promote and celebrate reading throughout the



Woodpecker children have also been busy planting beautiful new pots at the entrance to the school.

school and I know that our LL's have already designed posters and have shown amazing leadership and responsibility skills in organising and running the Book Fair, The Silverwood Book Swap and organising resources from the Wiltshire Resources Hub.

We met recently to discuss the very important Silverwood Reading Charter, which details all the principle requirements which will make us a **firmly committed reading school**.

The Reading Charter is a very important shared document that captures **STUDENT VOICE** and takes on pupils' opinions and thoughts on how they feel Literacy and Reading should look at Silverwood School. All main principles are **made by students and shared and agreed by students. Our Literacy Leaders take on this important challenge in shaping the direction of their Reading Education.**

As part of our meeting students voted on and agreed the tenets of our Reading Charter which is now under formal construction. This is a very important part of the Reading offer at Silverwood School and the Literacy Leaders are pioneering reading across campuses and championing this core skill, making it an integral part of our learning.

Trowbridge Campus

Over the course of this term and some of last term we have been lucky enough to have been visited by Chloe's Farm. All students have an allocated session with the animals which is hugely popular.

Owl's class have benefited hugely from the visits and they have been fortunate enough to see a number of different animals including a cow, dog, duck amongst many others.

Owls and Bluebirds Class recently attended the Rainbow Dash at Lavington School. Everyone had a fantastic time and we ended up covered in the coloured powder!







What's on:



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Potterne Rainbows are looking for volunteers to help run our local Guiding units.

There are lots of fun and flexible ways to get involved in guiding.

You don't need to have been involved in guiding before or have loads of time to make a big difference. Whatever your skills and interests, whether it's volunteering with girls directly or supporting behind the scenes, there's a role to suit you.

If this is of interest to you and you are wanting to know more, please contact <u>potternerainbows@outlook.com</u> or go to the Girl guiding website at <u>https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/</u> to see all the other opportunities that are available.

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TREE ADMISSION TREE A

TROWBRIDGE

FULLY ACCESSIBLE AND INCLUSIVE FOR ALL



EMBRACE ALL Festival Saturday 5th of August 2023 12PM-10PM

THE BOWL, OLD TOWN GARDENS SNI 4NE



THE SARAH C RYAN BAND JEANETTE ETHERINGTON CHLOE HEPBURN SAM SWANCOTT JOSHUA HEATHER JOLI AND THE SOULS VARITY OF DJ'S

A VARIETY OF FOOD AND DRINK AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE BRING ALONG A CHAIR OR A PICNIC BLANKET AND ENJOY THE MUSIC IN THE SUN!

GREAT FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY



The link to book this is also available below.

https://www.skiddle.com/whats-on/Swindon/Town-Garden%27s-Bowl/EMBRACE-festival/36340686/

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Information:

Could we please request if there are any concerns Parent/Carers would like the school to be aware of or support with, that these are communicated directly to school and not through PA's on Taxi's.

This is especially important when there is any digital contact concerns such as pictures, social media, Tik Toc messages etc...

Dressability is a friendly and welcoming independent charity which supports the clothing needs of individuals with disabilities and those with limited dexterity.

From hems to haberdashery, a personal, tailored and bespoke service is provided, focused on the development of practical and innovative solutions to everyday problems.

By adapting people's clothing and not their style, we enable our clients to maintain their independence, and enjoy a sense of wellbeing based on their own personal choice.

Website link https://www.dressability.org.uk/about-us/

A Young Carer is a child under 18 who regularly helps to look after a family member or friend who is disabled, ill, has a mental health condition or addiction problem.

Children can engage in:

- Practical tasks (cooking, housework and shopping)
- Physical care (lifting or helping someone use the stairs)
- Personal care (dressing, washing, helping with toilet needs)
- Managing the family budget (collecting benefits and prescriptions)
- Managing medication
- Looking after younger siblings
- Helping someone communicate

Silverwood can support young carers. If you, or a family member, needs support please contact the school office or your child's teacher.

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Summer Holiday FUEL programme



The Local Authority are currently reviewing their summer holiday provision for the FUEL programme.

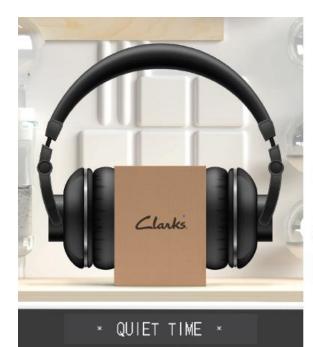
Unfortunately their main activity provider has ceased to trade with no notice. We know how important this programme is to families so they are considering all options and have come up with a plan which they hope will ensure a range of activities at venues this summer. They have bought together different sections of the council to respond swiftly to this. I appreciate this will be worrying news for you however they want to stress they are doing everything they can to provide alternatives and will keep you updated.

Meanwhile if you have queries please look at their FUEL page <u>FUEL programme - Wiltshire Council</u> which will be regularly updated with information.

Clarks have been in contact with us to inform us of their quiet time appointments they have available during the busy back to school period for shoe fittings.

These appointments are offered all year round but during June/July/August the stores can get very busy so Clarkes would like to reach out to parents to make things a little easier when having shoe fittings.

Once the appointment has been booked you will be seen at your chosen time on your chosen day in your chosen branch, effectively jumping the queue and getting served quicker with all of their school shoes/accessories needs.





With nearly 200 years of expertise, it's safe to say we know what is takes to craft the right shoes for growing kids. And we're here to help you find the perfect pair for happy, healthy feet as they head back to the dasroorn.

Shoe shopping can be overwhelming for some children. If you'd like to visit us during a time with fewer crowds, noise and bright lights, then book a Quiet Time appointment.

TO BOOK YOUR QUIET TIME APPOINTMENT, CONTACT CLARKS Chippenham OH 01249 471072

Clarks

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Here at Silverwood we have a family support team who are able to help with lots of different Silverwood Family Support Workers We offer a range of support to our parent/carers throughout Silverwood School. For more details about our School Family Support Workers follow this link:

https://www.silverwood.wilts.sch.uk/our-school-articles/parent-support



One of our family support team came across the Tendril Theory while looking at training resources and thought it could be useful to share with parent/carers to help explain that although it may seem your child/children are rebellion to listen, they may well be trying to process what is being asked of them. Communication is often the cause of behavior issues so plays a key part in supporting your child/children.

The "Tendril Theory" is a good way to explain executive function, specifically the challenge of being interrupted or having to switch tasks suddenly, to a neurotypical person.

This resonates with so many people that a lot of different kinds of brains work in a similar way – not only for autistic people, but also people with ADHD, and neurotypical introverts. So if this doesn't describe you, it probably describes someone you know.



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Reminders:

Pupil permissions

Can we remind parent/carers to complete the consent form for Pupil photo permissions at your nearest opportunity please. Below is a link which will take you directly to it.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Y6ViQfoLFUq0yECeBtox_5X8ac4XX1ZKm9STqkU did1UMUs4QkpURzBKS0pNT09PQ0c4TE5ON1dRVC4u

School Dinner Ordering

Can we remind parent/carers to let pupil services know if you require any pre-booked school lunches to be cancelled in advance, for occasions where you are aware of any upcoming appointments due to arise or if your child will be off poorly for the upcoming days ahead.

If you require any support with this please contact a member of the Pupil Services Team via email <u>pupilservices@silverwood.wilts.sch.uk</u> and they will be more than happy to help.

At Silverwood School we are very proud of the way that our pupils behave and use the school values and expectations to support the School's positive learning culture.

The School's and staff believe strongly in the ethos that "All behaviour is communication". We would like to take the opportunity to share with you the School's Inclusion Support (Behaviour) Policy



https://www.silverwood.wilts.sch.uk/uploads/1/3/6/5/136583151/behaviour_for_learning_policy_2023a.pdf

Please click on the link or alternately visit our website where it can be found in the Policies section. If you have any queries of feedback regarding the policy please contact Terri Chard.



With the hope of warmer weather to come please can you ensure your child has a hat in school, they wear sun cream or bring some into school to apply. Please note if your child has sun cream in their school bag you are consenting for this to be applied by a member of staff if they are unable to do this themselves.



Armed Forces



As a school, we gain extra funding for children's education if parents/carers are a member of the armed forces. If you are a military family please could you email <u>admin@silverwood.wilts.sch.uk</u> to confirm and we will update our school records accordingly.

Dates for your diary

- Friday 30th June 2023 Prize giving ceremony
- Thursday 6th July 2023 Whole school Sports Day
- Wednesday 12th July 2023 Prom
- Tuesday 25th July 2023 Last day of Term 6 *Early finish time of 13:40*

Student Photo Permissions

Please note that this newsletter is circulated to 400+ student parent/carer families fortnightly. If you would like to change your child's photograph permissions and remove them from appearing in any photographs in the Silverwood School newsletter please email admin@silverwood.wilts.sch.uk.

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter.

We hope that you will find this informative.

If you have any questions regarding the content of the newsletter or about school, you should contact your child's site or use the 'contact us' form found on the school website.

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