

Silverwood School

Building Community, Inspiring Learning

Value for Term 5 Respect



Campus News

Rowde Campus

Silverwood School is on track to achieve the Green Flag award for schools. The Green Flag award recognises the commitment of a school community in securing a wildlife-friendly, ecologically diverse environment. It also recognises the commitment of the whole school community in adopting practices that are sustainable and environmentally friendly. We're on track and we're very excited!



The Eco-Council have been meeting regularly and all of Silverwood school Rowde campus Eco-Ambassadors have proven their commitment to the environment by pushing forward all the goals which were discussed in the last meeting of the Eco-Council.

We were very proud to launch our commitment by marking the moment by planting a magnolia tree that was very kindly donated to us by parent Mrs. Ross. Amy Ross has been with us for five years and as a "thank you" Amy's mum very kindly gifted us a magnificent yellow flowering magnolia.

Term Dates

Term 5

17/04/23 - 26/05/23

Term 6

Mon 5th June – TD Day

06/06/23 – 25/07/23

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

Friday 25th July @ 13:40

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.

If your child is **unwell** with sickness or diarrhoea, the school policy is that they can only return to school when they have been clear of symptoms for **48** hours.



All the Eco-Ambassadors were on hand to celebrate our commitment moving towards being a Green Flag school. A massive “thank you” to all the Eco-ambassadors who have been working very hard to improve the green spaces on site and make our school environment eco-friendly. Eco-Ambassadors on the Rowde campus range from Year 7-11 and represent all classes.

Well done everyone!



On Saturday 29th March, Silverwood School took a team of students to compete in the Kennett Games at Thatcham school. The games take place annually, and are specifically for students with Learning and physical disabilities. The day included students competing in Boccia, table Cricket, Javelin, Basketball Shoot, as well as a variety of other smaller games. 5 schools from the South region took part with over 60 in total competing against each other.

We are very proud to announce that 5 students won the following:

Kennett Games Team Boccia Champions 2023

Charlie Potter - Javelin Champion

Danny Whittaker - Basketball Shoot Champion

Jasmin Ogbourne - Athlete of the day award.

Massive congratulations to you all!



Thank you to everyone for supporting our students and creating individuals that showed all our school values with confidence, in front of so many people.

It was an amazing day, and truly showed that sport has no barriers, just challenges that can be overcome.



Trowbridge Campus

Peacocks have been showing our value of respect.

Logan has been feeding the chickens grass through the fence at break times and Thomas has shown respect when helping with the animals from Chloe's farm. He also offered to help Lucas take his shoes and socks off for dance therapy when he needed help!



Parrots class have been learning multi skills with Bath Rugby this term. It is lots of fun and we are learning lots of new skills.



Chippenham Campus

Amongst all the excitement of the coronation, Chippenham students have been developing their access to PE. For Bullfinch and Yellowhammer Classes, this meant they went to Hardenhuish to access PE there on Friday.

Wagtail and Kingfisher classes hope to be able to join them on future Friday sessions also.

Our younger classes have been able to access swimming in small groups, and Gosling Class had a particularly successful session on Friday. Well done Gosling Class!

Blackbird Class have been visiting the local shops and using money to pay for items.

What a lot of learning has been happening outside of our classrooms at Chippenham!



Information:

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.



Chippenham Uniform Exchange

Silverwood School has teamed up with Chippenham Uniform Exchange to make second-hand school uniform more accessible to all families. Second-hand uniform can be obtained from Chippenham Uniform Exchange at any time. They run pop-up shops at various locations throughout the year or uniform can be requested directly by email for collection from school. All items of uniform are offered for FREE for a voluntary donation to Chippenham Uniform Exchange if this is affordable. Visit www.chippenhamuniformexchange.org.uk, find them on [Facebook](#) or email request@chippenhamuniformexchange.org.uk.

Do you have any second-hand uniform that you can donate to Chippenham Uniform Exchange? They accept all items of primary and secondary school uniform including logo items, PE kit, shoes and coats. See their website for locations of their community donation points. Donations can also be taken to any of their pop-up shops. They will also be holding uniform drives throughout the year at various locations to collect preloved uniform.



Recycling school uniform for
children in Chippenham



**Do you have any outgrown Silverwood
School uniform that you could donate?**

**Please send any items (clean and bagged) to school
with your child during the last week of term. Items will
be collected from children as they arrive at school.**

Visit www.chippenhamuniformexchange.org.uk for details of how to request
preloved uniform for any Silverwood pupil.

The Wiltshire School of Gymnastics are holding Gymability sessions during May Half Term on Tuesday 30th May 12.45-1.45pm and Wednesday 31st May 9.30-10.30am.

Gymability sessions are Free Play sessions aimed at children aged 3-12 years with any physical, mental, emotional, social or sensory challenges.

Please click the link below to book if you wish to attend.

<https://form.jotform.com/211902389842359>



GYMABILITY
MAY HALF TERM
TUESDAY 30TH MAY 12:45-1:45
WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY 9:30-10:30

OUR GYMABILITY DROP-IN SESSIONS
ARE FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-12 YEARS
WITH ANY PHYSICAL, MENTAL,
EMOTIONAL, SOCIAL, LANGUAGE,
AND/OR SENSORY CHALLENGES.
CHILDREN AND THEIR PARENTS/CARERS
CAN EXPLORE OUR GYMNASTICS
APPARATUS WITH OUR COACHES IN
ATTENDANCE. SPACES ARE STRICTLY
LIMITED AND MUST BE BOOKED IN
ADVANCE.

BOOK ONLINE NOW!!
WWW.WILTSHIREGYMNASTICS.CO.UK
THE WILTSHIRE SCHOOL OF GYMNASTICS,
LYSANDER ROAD, BOWERHILL,
MELKSHAM, WILTSHIRE, SN12 6SP

Reminders:

School Dinner Ordering:

If your child eats a school dinner, you **MUST** book their meal choice on our ParentPay portal - www.parentpay.com . This can be done weekly or for the whole term. If your child qualifies for a free school meal, you must still book your meal choices via Parent Pay.

The deadline for ordering is midnight each Wednesday for the following week.



Eynon Catering are our catering suppliers at the Chippenham and Trowbridge Campuses and we are required to place our food orders with them every Thursday. We are unable to do this accurately if parent/carers have not ordered the meal choices for their child via ParentPay.

Please note, any child meal that has been booked via ParentPay will be provided each day. Those that have not booked their meal will be supplied with a meal but this may not be the child's first choice, it will depend on what food is available. To avoid this happening, please book your child's meal choices on Parent Pay.

If you require any support with this please contact a member of the Pupil Services Team on 01380 850309 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.



Dates for your diary

- Friday 26th May 2023 – Last day of Term 5
 - Monday 5th June 2023 – ***Teachers Training Day school closed to students***
 - Tuesday 6th June 2023 – First day back after half term holiday, start of Term 6
 - Friday 30th June 2023 – Prize giving ceremony
 - Wednesday 12th July 2023 - Prom
 - Tuesday 25th July 2023 – Last day of Term 6
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Student Photo Permissions

Please note that this newsletter is circulated to 400+ student parent/carers 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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