



# Chilton Foliat Primary School Newsletter

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'With thankfulness, courage and love, we strive to improve heart and mind'  
Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst". John 4:13

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope it is not too late to extend my happy new year good wishes and welcome all back to school for 2024. Class letters and information about curriculum coverage have been sent out and learning for term three is well and truly underway. After the hustle, bustle and sparkle of Christmas and New Year celebrations, this first spring term is an opportunity to calmly focus on our learning goals and learning challenges. The children have responded incredibly well to learning expectations and good progress is being made as a result. For further information to kick start our new term, please read on.

## Spring Term Christian Value - **Courage**

Our spring term Christian value is **Courage** and across the school the children are exploring this value through different texts and activities. Each class is working towards completing a shared display in the hall which will demonstrate their understanding and appreciation of this value through art, prayers, design and technology and poetry.

## Left over candles needed after Christmas – Help Ukraine Group Support

A reminder. Help Ukraine Group Support (HUGS), in association with the Humanitarian Aid Partnership (SHAP), are organising a lorry delivery to Ukraine very shortly and are desperate for candle donations. If you have any leftover candles, whether Christmassy or not, please bring them to school and leave them in the yellow box outside the office door. Many thanks for your support.

## Eco committee

A little like the Wombles, our Eco Committee have been quietly working away putting into place some Eco actions to help protect our planet. It doesn't matter how small; every action will make a difference. Just before Christmas KS2 classes also signed up to watch some video sessions as part of a "Protecting the Planet Day" which included, "Protecting our ice and oceans" and "Protecting our forests and earth". The committee are meeting soon and will be creating a schedule of activities for the rest of the year and we will share these details with you.



## Mental Health and Well Being

This week's website focus for mental health and wellbeing is: <https://childtraumarecovery.com/>. This website gives hints and tips for parents and carers to support children with the death of an animal or relative, it also deals with experiences for serious accidents or events that have upset their lives.

This week's focus book is for 6years+:



### Charlie Changes into a Chicken

Author: Sam Copeland Illustrator: Sarah Home

Publisher: Puffin

Interest age: 6-11

Reading age: 6+

Something strange happens to Charlie at random times for no apparent reason: he changes into animals. This book cleverly portrays ways of dealing with stress and anxiety, and provides some sound advice throughout. Brilliant and positive.

## Online safety

NSPCC Learning has published a new page bringing together online safety information for, families, people working or volunteering with children. New and updated content includes: preventing online harm and abuse; responding to online abuse; and social media, online communities and safeguarding. **Visit the page:** [Online safety](#)

## All Together – Information for families from Wiltshire Council

**Wiltshire Council have asked every school to share this very useful information with all out families.**

Children, young people and families can have access to a wide range of information, advice and support on the [All Together web pages](#).

The pages are a precursor to the [Family Hubs model](#) which will be rolled out across Wiltshire in April 2024 ensuring support and advice is available from 0 to 18 years and 0 to 25 years for those with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities.

The pages have information on a range of topics including:

- Support for parents and carers including parenting tips and advice and financial support
- Information for families on events and activities in their local area
- Advice for young people on emotional wellbeing
- Support for those with Special Educational Needs and or Disabilities.

## Book Review

Today's book review is by Catherine Cameron from Muntjac Class

5 star rating!

I like to browse around the non - fiction books and when I saw the cover, I picked it up because I like history and animals. When I got it out, I could not stop reading it! The book is a collection of stories about brave animals who risk their lives. From a sea cat to a special pigeon (this particular story would blow your socks off!) My favourite story was about a dog called Judy who was sent to a prison of war camp and there she made friends with a British soldier. They escaped but were caught. The soldier was separated from Judy but was relieved to find she was safe. When the war ended, Judy lived a quiet life. Children who would enjoy this book are those interested in danger, animals, adventures and bonding. If you like these, then this is for you!



## A trip of a lifetime -



Sika class had the opportunity to watch the Nutcracker Ballet at the Royal Opera House in London last week, thanks to a donation from our local Arts Council. The children were a credit to the school and members of the public commented on how well they behaved. The children were enchanted by the music and costumes; they could not believe how quickly the time passed as they sat, transfixed by the story. Sienna was astounded by how young some of the dancers were (some of them were younger than us) and Seth thought the setting was beautiful. Tommy was amazed by how the story was communicated through dance and not one word was spoken! Despite the late return home in the drizzling rain, we all had a wonderful time and the children spoke of the experience for days afterwards.

## Sika Class Homework

Sika Class are currently studying the book *Wind in the Willows* and learning about a very different style of writing. We have enjoyed reading about the antics of Mr Toad and love Ratty's relaxed approach to life! As part of this unit, the class re-created the Riverbank from the story and described the setting, using amazing vocabulary and descriptive phrases. Here are some examples of their homework:



## Dates for the Diary 2023

Friday 19th January	Dodgeball Festival (Year 5 and 6)
Thursday 8th February	Christingle Service 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Friday 9th February	Valentines Disco 4.00pm - 5.00pm
	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 19th February	TD Day (No pupils in school)
Tuesday 20th February	Term 4 begins
Wednesday 21st February	Hockey Festival (Year 5 &and 6)
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 8th March	Mothers Day Afternoon Tea 2.00pm - 3.00pm
Wednesday 13th March	Tag Rugby Competition (Year 5 and 6)
Friday 22nd March	Orienteering (Year 4 and 5)
Thursday 28th March	Easter Service 1.30pm - 2.30pm
	Last Day of Term 4
Monday 15th April	Term 5 begins

This terms Christian Value is:

# Courage