



# Frome Valley First School & Preschool News Weekly



*"Together, with God's love, we learn,  
nurture and grow, without limits."*

## Message From Mrs Moore

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another successful half term, I want to thank you for your continued support. It has been wonderful to notice the brighter mornings creeping in – a welcome sign that spring is on the way and a lovely boost for everyone as we start our school days.

This week, we placed a strong emphasis on **E-Safety**, helping our pupils understand how to stay safe, thoughtful, and responsible online. Today, we held a special whole-school assembly where children explored safe online behaviours, how to recognise risks, and what to do if something doesn't feel right.

### Top Tips for Staying Safe Online

Here are some of the key messages we shared with pupils:

- **Keep personal information private** – never share your full name, address, school, or passwords online.
- **Always tell a trusted adult** if something online worries, confuses, or upsets you.
- **Think before you click** – avoid opening messages, links, or attachments from unknown people.
- **Be kind online** – treat others with the same respect you would expect in person.
- **Use secure settings** – privacy settings and parental controls help keep you safe.

We encourage you to continue these conversations at home; consistent reminders really do make a difference.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break.

Warm regards,  
Mrs Moore

## A Prayer for Half Term

Loving God,  
As we reach the middle of our term,  
we thank you for all we have learned,  
for challenges that have helped us grow,  
and for the friendships that brighten each day.

As we pause for half term,  
help us to rest well and restore our energy.  
Fill our homes with peace and laughter.  
Keep us safe in our travels and adventures.

For those who may find this time difficult or lonely,  
wrap them in your comfort and care.

Renew us in body, mind and spirit,  
so that we may return ready to learn,  
and ready to shine with your love.

Amen

### Stars of the Week



Reception	Tigah
Year 1	Oliver
Year 2	Theo
Year 3	Jaxon
Year 4	Adele

### World Book Day – Book Order

Last week we let parents know that, on World Book Day, we have the author and illustrator, Linda Webber, visiting school.

A reminder that if you wish to purchase her book and / or a finger puppet, we need to know by **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Thank you.**

## Year 3 News

In Year 3, we are learning about the important role that Crossways played during WWII. Pilots flying from RAF Warmwell (an airfield near Crossways) helped to win the Battle of Britain. Nazi aircraft losses were so high that they knew they could not defeat the RAF and proceed with an invasion of Britain.

To remember the vital role played by RAF Warmwell pilots and ground crew, year 3 pupils visited the Village Hall, where we were enthralled by the many stories that Andrew Brewer (Chair of the Parish Council) told us. The Village Hall was originally used as a cinema, theatre, NAFFI and small chapel during the war.

We also walked to the War Memorial, where Rev. Peter Stevens read a section of the Remembrance service that is dedicated to the brave servicemen and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice.



## History Week

Last week, we rounded off History Week with a wonderful whole-school dress-up day, where pupils came in as a wide range of historic characters. From explorers, inventors, and inspirational figures from different eras, the creativity and enthusiasm were fantastic to see. The photos below show just how fabulous they all looked.

Immersing children in their historical learning is such an important part of helping them understand the past in a meaningful and memorable way. Throughout the week, pupils took part in a variety of fun, hands-on activities designed to bring history to life — from role-play and artefact exploration to storytelling, and class projects. These experiences not only deepen knowledge but also spark curiosity and a real love of learning.





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## Preschool News

This week our Caterpillars and Butterflies went on a bug hunt in forest school. They showed great enthusiasm hunting in the rain! We turned our focus to Chinese New Year where we explored a variety of foods during our food tasting activity and created a ginormous Chinese Dragon for the wall. Chelsi returned for another exciting gymnastics session using a variety of objects to climb up and over encouraging the children to jump off of the gym apparatus. Our mark making found us exploring wax crayon rubbing. We used textured stencils to create dinosaur shapes by placing stencils under large sheets of paper and rubbing our crayons over the top. Our next step for this is to take our crayons and paper into the outside area to explore a variety of textures!



## Upcoming Events: Dates for your Diary!

<b>16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Half Term	<b>24<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Preschool Stay and Play 2-3pm
<b>25<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Preschool Stay and Play 2 – 3pm	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Reception Class, Year 1 and 2 Sharing Assembly 9am (will last approximately one hour)
<b>27<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	NSPCC Speak out Stay Safe Assemblies	<b>25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Year 4 Residential – Hooke Court
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	School Nurse Drop In 9.30 – 10.30am	<b>30<sup>th</sup> Mar – 10<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	Easter Holidays
<b>5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World Book Day and Stories at 6 (6-6.30pm)	<b>13<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	INSET Day – school closed to children
<b>10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Year 3 visit to Dorchester Museum	<b>4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bank Holiday
<b>16<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Preschool family Celebration 2-3pm		
<b>16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Parent Interviews Year 1, 2 and 3	<b>6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Miles for Mosaic Fundraiser
<b>17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Parent Interviews Year 4	<b>8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Reception Class – Height and Weight check - National Child Measurement Programme
<b>17<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Class Photos	<b>12<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Parent Drop In 8.15 – 8.40am and 2.15 – 3pm
<b>18<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Year 4 Wessex Singing Festival	<b>20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	May Day Celebrations 1.15pm – 3pm (approximately) – all families and relatives are welcome
<b>19<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Children Clothes Swap	<b>21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Reserve May Day Celebrations 1.15pm (if wet on 20 <sup>th</sup> )
<b>20<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Comic Relief Fundraiser	<b>25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Half Term
<b>20<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Year 3 and 4 Sharing Assembly 9am (will last approximately 45 minutes)		