



Dear Parents and Carers,

The first four weeks of term have flown by and the children have very quickly fallen back into the routines of the school day. I take time daily to walk the school, visiting each class and talking to pupils about their learning. Your children are delightful and are always very enthusiastic to share their work with me. The topic work this term is so exciting. I have witnessed Pirate adventures and Volcanic eruptions! We have some truly aspirational writers at our school.

Thank you for all your help in supporting your child's learning at home. Your engagement and support is key to your child's achievements.

Yours sincerely, Gillian Durrans Headteacher

*Date for your diary – I would be delighted to see you at my commissioning service at Netheravon Church on Sunday 10 March at 10.30am. Please join me if you can.*

### Golden Rules

Our Golden Rules are displayed throughout the school, are on our website and apply to the whole school community.

Be kind, friendly and show respect to others  
Try your best and help others to do the same  
Look after our school and everything in it

All pupils are expected to follow the Golden Rules. Please reinforce these with your learner at home. Thank you.

### School Emergency Closure

Our policy and procedures were put to the test on Friday and I believe information was distributed to parents and the community in a timely and effective manner. Please let the office know if you did not receive the closure message.

### Safer Internet Day Tuesday 5 February

Internet safety is celebrated globally to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people and to inspire a national conversation. This year the theme is:

#### **Together for a better internet.**

With this message in mind, it has been brought to our attention that many pupils are talking about the game Fortnite. As with many online games, Fortnite comes with risks to children and young people. The game is PEGI rated at 12+ years, however there is no proof of age required, which can expose younger children to inappropriate content and comments from older users. The National Online Safety Service has put together a guide for schools and parents with more information to help keep your children safe. Please take a moment to look at this with your learner and support us in discouraging Fortnite toys or merchandise being brought into school. Thank you.

### Wiltshire Family and Community Learning

Family and Community Learning offers a broad range of learning opportunities intended to encourage adults to:

- Return to learning
- Further develop skills and qualifications
- Enhance their lives and to make the most of opportunities

Please take a look at the website if you are interested in attending any courses. [www.Wiltshire.gov.uk/family-learning](http://www.Wiltshire.gov.uk/family-learning)



School closes at 3.15 on Friday 15 February for half-term.  
Monday 25 February is a Teacher Development Day.  
We re-open for learners on Tuesday 26 February.

### Maths Fun Day

As reported by our lead Governor 'All children were fully engaged, enjoying the activities and the variety of tasks. When asked if maths was fun they all agreed that it was. The variety of activities was impressive and the enjoyment derived from being active and challenged was obvious.'

Riley said:

We all had fun,  
we persevered  
and showed  
teamwork.

