



Newsletter: 10th July 2026

Message from the Headteacher

We have had another busy and successful week in school.

Our Sports Day was a fantastic event, and it was wonderful to see so many families joining us to support the children. Thank you to everyone who attended and stayed to enjoy the picnic afterwards. We also appreciate your patience and understanding as we adjusted the timings and held both events during the morning to avoid the hottest part of the day. The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the carousel of sporting activities and demonstrated excellent teamwork, determination and enthusiasm throughout.

Congratulations to our house team winners:

- Silbury – EYFS/KS1 Champions
- Blunsdon – KS2 Champions



Well done to all pupils for their fantastic effort and sportsmanship.

This week, the children also enjoyed their Shuffle Up Afternoon, meeting their new teachers and spending time in their new classrooms to support a smooth transition into the next academic year. Staff have already been working closely together through pupil progress meetings, and teachers will continue to meet to hand over important information. This ensures a strong transition process and helps every child feel confident and well-prepared for September.

Our Year 6 pupils had a wonderful time on their leavers' trip to the lakes this week. They enjoyed a range of exciting activities including paddleboarding, archery and rafting, creating lasting memories together as they celebrate the end of their primary school journey.

We are also incredibly proud of Ethan and Ray in Year 5, who have been selected for the Swindon Primary Schools Football Association representative squad for the upcoming Year 6 season. They competed in trials against some of the best young players from across the Swindon Academy and were successfully selected. This is a fantastic achievement, and we congratulate them both on their success.

Finally, our Young Inspectors took part in an exciting exchange with pupils from Highworth secondary school this week. Together, they explored how lunchtime provision supports inclusion, particularly from the perspective of pupils with SEND. The children provided thoughtful and insightful feedback and were excellent ambassadors for both schools. We were extremely proud of the maturity and kindness they demonstrated throughout the project.

As always, thank you for your continued support as we look forward to our final week of term next week.

**Our Core Value this term is
Responsibility
Our Assembly Theme this term is
Courage**

Carrier Bag

Please send a carrier bag into school next week for your child to bring home any books/ work they have undertaken during the school year.

SCHOOL WEBSITE / FACEBOOK PAGE

Need to find out what is going on in class? Can't find your copy of the newsletter? Want to view the latest gallery?

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Diary Dates

13/07/26	Rock and Pop Roadshow
14/07/26	Nursery Stay and Play 2.15-3pm
14/07/26	Online parent consultations for children remaining in nursery for Sept 2026
15/07/26	Music Recital 9.15am
16/07/26	Infant Voice Festival 4.45pm
17/06/26	Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.15am
17/07/26	Last day of term - school finishes at 1.30pm and Nursery open for morning session only (until 11.40am)
03/09/26	2026/2027 Term 1 starts
14-16/09/26	Y4 Oxenwood Residential (rearranged date)

House points for this week!

Blunsdon: 154

Liddington: 127

Silbury: 93

Uffington: 92



Well done to Blunsdon for being this week's winners.

Summer Savings for Families

The Great British Summer Savings scheme is running from 25 June to 1 September 2026, helping families feel a bit less squeezed this summer.

The new scheme includes reduced VAT on days out, including tickets at attractions like soft play, adventure centres and theme parks, children's tickets for theatres and cinemas, and children's meals in restaurants. Children aged 5 to 15 in England will also be able to travel free on local bus services throughout August.

For further information about the scheme visit [Summer Savings](#).

This is in addition to further support available to families, with more information available at [Cost of Living Help](#).



Water Safety



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With the very warm weather, and the school holidays fast approaching, The Dorset & Wiltshire Fire & Rescue would like to offer your children the chance to enter the Water Safety Prize Draws.

There are quizzes children can enter with their parents and carers, for a chance to win:

- A VIP visit to a DWFRS fire station
- A lego or Playmobil emergency services set
- A Blaze Bear teddy

The quizzes are designed to help parents and carers, and children think about safe behaviours in and around the water this summer.

Please discuss the safety messages with your children.

- [Water Safety Quiz children up to age 7 – Fill in form](#)
- [Think Firefighter Water Safety Training Children aged 8 plus – Fill in form](#)

IMPORTANT - Changes to Free School Meals

We recently sent out a [Swindon Borough Council letter](#) detailing the changes to Free School Meals from September 2026. Please read this letter and if you believe you may be eligible to apply, please do so. **You have nothing to lose!** Children currently receiving income related free school meals **MUST reapply to remain eligible**. Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and receives universal free meals you may be still be entitled to targeted free school meals which means the school receives additional funding to help with resources and trips.

You can apply now ready for September.

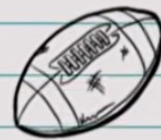
https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20050/schools_and_learning/408/free_school_meals

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