



SILCHESTER CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families of Silchester,

Welcome back! It has been so lovely to see all of the children again and start off our first summer term so positively.

Learning Overviews and Home Learning Grids

As it is the start of a new term, that means new curriculum topics. Therefore, please have a look through the attached Learning Overviews and Home Learning Grids to see what your children are learning in school this term and how you may support their learning at home.

These documents are also available on our school website and accessible via the following links:

[Home Learning Grids - Summer 1 25-32241_20250424180005484.pdf](#)

[Whole School Learning Overviews - Summer 1 25-28296_20250424180048740.pdf](#)

Silchester Forest School



Our Sycamore Class had a wonderful time adventuring in our Forest School this week. They used the mud kitchen, had hot chocolate around the fire and made a brilliant shelter to keep them out of the rain.

During their session, the children also made seedballs and the birds have enjoyed them very much!

Many thanks to all mums and dads for the countless outfit changes this week!



Wildlife Art Exhibition

This week, the children all took part in creating some beautiful art projects all linked to wildlife. As you can see, each class explored different mediums and varied subjects to create some fabulous work.



These projects will be exhibited in the club room at the village hall on Saturday 17th May as part of the [Greening Silchester](#) event Bioblitz:

Join our **Bioblitz** on **Saturday 17th May**. Led by Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust, we are doing a spot check survey of the animals and plants around Silchester. Please help by coming along to the Village Hall between 10am and 4pm, collecting a spotter sheet, and surveying a small area of the village. No knowledge needed – all the information that you need is on the spotter sheets or you can just take a photo and our expert can identify it for you. Please help and contribute to this important piece of research. Suitable for all ages.

Silchester Playground needs you (and your rake!)

The annual 'Playground Bark Spread' is due to take place this **Saturday the 26th April at 10.00am**. (On the green not the school!) Anyone free and able to help, please go to the playground with a rake to help spread the bark and help to keep the playground a safe and fun place to play!



Dave's Rowathon!

As you will have seen on your way into school this week, the wonderful Dave has started his mammoth rowathon. He will be rowing 30 marathons in 30 days, an incredible task and all in the name of raising funds for charity. Dave will be splitting any proceeds between the school PTA and Cancer Research UK. He was kind enough to engage our children with the decision for the second charity. Our School and House Captains from Year 6 chose several charities close to their hearts and then put these forward to the rest of the school for a democratic vote. Below is the link to his fundraising page and Dave's story in his own words:

[30 Rowing Marathons in 30 Days x | Wonderful.org](#)

Dave's story

Hi everyone!

On Thursday 24th April, my tired old sea legs will attempt to row 30 marathons in 30 days on a static land rowing machine to help raise funds for our wonderful school PTA and the amazing Cancer Research UK. Every penny we receive either in person or online is so gratefully received and will be split equally between these two wonderful charities :)

I'll be based either just outside the school gate or by the pavilion every morning from 5.45am to 9.15am - please pop over to have a chat when you can and scribble your name on the rowing machine! Whilst we are thrilled to raise as much as we can for the PTA, I know how much Cancer Research UK resonated with so many of our children when they voted for our second chosen charity. And a huge thank you to our inspirational Year 6 School Captains and House Captains for creating a superb charitable shortlist :)

Thank you so much for any donation you can afford and let it be known that gifts of fig rolls and the strongest of coffee is also most gratefully appreciated :)

*Take care,
Dave x*



Upcoming Key Dates

Monday 21 st April	BANK HOLIDAY
Wednesday 23 rd April	Start of Dave's Rowathon
Wednesdays 23/4, 30/4, 14/5, 11/6	Year 4 Forest Schools Sessions
Thursdays 24/4, 1/5, 8/5, 15/5, 22/5	Year 4 Swimming Lessons
Thursday 24 th April	In school Wildlife Art Afternoon (leaves and sticks welcome!)
Thursday 8 th May	VE Day 80 th Anniversary – School Street Party
Monday 12 th – Thursday 15 th May	Year 6 SATs
Friday 16 th May	Whole Class Photographs
Saturday 17 th May – 10am-4pm	Bioblitz – Silchester Nature Survey at Village Hall
Saturday 17 th May	PTA 80s/90s Disco!
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	Half Term Holiday
Friday 6 th June	Bags2School Collection
Friday 6 th June	Silchester's Got Talent!
Friday 13 th June	Sports Day
Wednesday 18 th June	Year 6 Leavers Service at Winchester Cathedral
Thursday 19 th June	Drama Workshop (Ladybirds, Chestnut & Hazel)
Friday 20 th June	Back-up Sport's Day (in case of bad weather)
Friday 27 th June	Shuffle Up Day
Friday 4 th July	PTA Inflatables Fun Day
Friday 11 th July	PTA Rainbow Run
Thursday 17 th July	Year 6 Trip to Paulton's Park
Friday 18 th July	Last Day of School
Amazon Wish List	https://amzn.eu/diet9uj

I hope that you and your families have a great weekend, and I look forward to seeing you at the gate again on Monday.

Rachel Moir

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Head of School



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Silchester School PTA

SAVE THE DATE

We've got lots going on so don't forget to add these dates to the diary so you can join in the fun!

14th Feb – Break the Rules Day! Come to school with coloured hair, temporary tattoos or in your pyjamas! £1 donation for each rule broken (up to 5 rules).

25th Feb to 7th March – Coin Wars! Bring in your copper coins and fill up you class bottle to win the battle!

28th March – Easter Discos. YR, 1, 2 & 3 3:15-5:00. Y4, 5 & 6 5:30-7:00. Tickets available through the PTA website from 7th March (volunteers required)

17th May – Family Evening. Save the date for a family barn dance/disco/music event with BBQ. Stay tuned for more details.

6th June – Silchester's Got Talent. TBC

4th July – Children's Inflatable Fun Day. During school hours (no donation required)

11th July – Rainbow Run. TBC

Keep an eye on our Facebook page and website for more info

www.pta-events.co.uk/silchesterschoolpta/index.cfm

www.facebook.com/groups/ptasilchesterschool



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