



Welcome back to our Summer term and a special welcome to the new children and families who have joined us. We hope you all had a lovely holiday and are enjoying the glorious weather and longer days. Our heating is now officially turned off, so as the mornings in particular are still cool it would be helpful for children to have an additional layer such as a fleece. For the sunnier and warmer days please don't forget hats, sunglasses, suncream and a water bottle.

The Summer term is always a busy and exciting term with lots of opportunities to get 'out and about' in our local community as part of our new topics; as well as to access events and activities organised for Frome schools such as sports events and the Frome Schools' Opera Project.

We are grateful to the local Rotary Club who have delivered the 'Life Education Bus' to our school site and all our classes will be having a visit to learn about healthy lifestyles. All this is part of our wider commitment to helping our children to make safe and healthy choices as they grow up.

As part of our Family Health and Fitness we will also be planning a Family Sports day which is likely to be sponsored to raise funds for our Playground project. We will also be taking part in the Frome Missing Links Travel project during the week of  $22^{nd}$ -  $26^{th}$  May with a non-uniform day on Friday  $26^{th}$  May in aid of the Frome Missing Link. During this week we will be encouraging all children and their families to walk, scoot or bike to school either all the way or part of the journey to get fitter and raise awareness of this project.

On the back of next week's Thursday Note there will be details of the topic content the children will be covering this term. Key Stage One enjoyed their Spring walk this week which is part of the topic they will be studying. They will also enjoy a drumming workshop next week. Key Stage Two's topic includes lots of opportunities to study the geography of various countries around the world. They will launch their topic with an active Martial Arts workshop next week. Our Early Years children are busy building on the foundations of the learning they have covered so far and many are now beginner readers and writers as well as competent mathematicians. They still have lots of opportunities to use the indoor and outdoor play spaces independently and their topic will include lots of growing and cooking.

The staff in all key stages will be planning a school trip at some point in the term. The VSA subsidise the cost of these trips but for them to go ahead we depend on parental contributions so you might find it helpful to put aside some money in preparation.

Our ten week Singing Project has started this week, led by Caroline from Jackdaws and will finish with a Singing festival at the end of term. Look out for further details of these events in our dairy dates and in future Thursday Notes and if you have any resources or artefacts that would be helpful for topics or you would like to help or support any of the events please see your child's class teacher in the first instance.

**Cake Sales**: Milky Way Class made £37.50 in their cake sale, well done Milky Way Class. It is the turn of Satellite Class on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Please make or buy some cakes for them to sell. Thank you ©

**Career Assemblies:** We are keen to organise some career aspiration assemblies for our KS2 children giving them a chance to hear about jobs they may train for in their future. If you would be happy to talk to small groups of children about your work whether it is practical or academic please contact Mrs Pauley via the School Office.

Dates for your Diary 2017 Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April - Satellite Class Cake Sale Tuesday 2nd May - INSET DAY **Clubs:** We have 5 spaces left in various clubs, which all start next week. Please come to the School Office if you would like to book and pay for your child to have a place.

> INSET Day reminder: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May School will be closed for our children as we will be having an In Service training day.