



The Village School At worth & Monkton Farlelgh A review of or School year.

As a school we all work in different areas, with different classes and have an interest in a range of areas, As a result of this few members of our school community have an overview of the work of the whole school, therefore we thought it would be a good idea to produce a yearly review of our work to help us to consider what we have achieved and to create a dialogue which will hopefully give us inspiration and ideas for future actions and activities in our school.

We have had two staffing changes with or long serving admin officer, Mrs. Price, taking early retirement at the end of last year and Mrs. Heywood standing down as Senior teacher at the Monkton Farleigh base. Our new admin officer, Mrs. Julie Jameson, has now settled into our school and Miss. Kat Mills is working in her new role as the senior teacher at Monkton Farleigh. During the year Mrs Genner took maternity leave and Miss Carrie Heathcote took on the role as class teacher, while Miss. Laura Calleja successfully took on the role of senior teacher at the Atworth base. Miss Genner has now returned to work after successfully giving birth to Stanley.

As a school we have been successful in the Key Stage 2 tests this year and this is due to the hard work of all members of staff, both teaching and support staff, who give their time during and after the school day to provide our children with a broad and exciting curriculum. Activities such as sporting events and clubs, performances, music based clubs; the school choir and the ongoing development of our outdoor space greatly enhance the children's school experience.

During the last six months we have begun to witness many changes in the state education system, as a school we are looking at how to implement the changes to our best advantage as the details of new systems and requirements become apparent. At present we are waiting details of the new national curriculum arrangements, revised budgets and leadership models and pupil assessment arrangements. To ensure the school runs efficiently in times of change we have to deal with a heavy administrative workload and I would like to thank Mrs. McDougall and Mrs. Jameson for taking on this work successfully.

Our dedicated Governing Body is keeping a close eye on changing legislation to ensure our school is able to use changes to the advantage of the pupils.

We are now moving into our next phase of development as a federated split site school and I will be sending out a questionnaire to gain parental opinions in the near future. Although, please continue to work hard at keeping dialogue open with the school at all levels as I believe this is the key to a successful school in which all stakeholder take part. Finally I would like to thank all our children for their participation, hard work and enthusiasm in making our school a happy and successful place to work.

Safeguarding and child protection

- New door entry system (AT).
- LA road safety training for Years1, 2 and 3.
- Police van class visits.
- Stranger Awareness Workshop.
- New procedures for the beginning and start of the school day.

- All staff visitors to wear identification.
- Six staff completed their Paediatric First Aid course.
- All staff completed one day first aid course.
- All staff involved with swimming completed Pool Safety Corse.
- New security gates at the Atworth base.
- Cycling Proficiency Course for Years 5 and 6.
- All staff/governors trained in child protection to appropriate level.
- Parental leaflets to explain safeguarding in our school.
- Absence checking procedures in place.

Communication and parental involvement

- Internet safety Information evening
- Foundation Stage meet the teacher evening at both bases.
- Autumn parent meetings.
- Spring parent meetings.
- Parent and pupil weekend working party at both Atworth and Monkton Farleigh.
- Large numbers of parent/grandparent involvement.
- Year Six SATs information evening.
- Twice termly news letter.
- Curriculum letters at the start of term from classes.
- Information sheets when required.
- Merlin based school website now in place and continuing to be developed.
- Weekly Golden Learner Assemblies to celebrate achievement.

PTA

- Chocolate Bingo.
- Bedtime stories.
- School disco.
- African Night.
- Christmas Fairs
- Summer Fetes
- Beetle Drive.
- Skittles Evening.
- Ouizzes.
- Coffee morning and refreshments after school events.
- London Trip.
- Finances school pool.
- Supports school trips.
- Purchased gifts at Easter and Christmas.
- Supported outdoor area.

Curriculum events

- KS1 Corsham shops trip.
- KS1 trip to Hungerford castle.
- KS1 trip to Westonbirt Arboretum.
- School Council elections.
- Mad Science Club at both bases.
- REEFA Tandoori Restaurant visited both bases to serve an Indian meal to the children.
- Science Explorer Dome visit.
- Local parliamentary candidates came to school to speak to the children.

- KS2 trip to National Mining Museum of Wales (Big Pit).
- St. Mary's School Slough visit to Churchfields School.
- Return visit to St. Mary's School, Slough, an inner city primary school.
- Quantum Maths theatre.
- Year three and four linked with the Philippines.
- Dinosaur workshop visit for KS1.
- Whole school war memorial visit on Remembrance day.
- Christingle at MF.
- Children took part in wreath laying at MF Church on Remembrance Sunday.
- KS2 visit to the British Museum.

Sports and PE

- Y2 Multi sports training
- Y3 and Y4 tag Rugby training at St Laurence School
- Y5 and Y6 tag Rugby training at St Laurence School
- Netball tournament at St. Laurence School.
- Dance Festival at the Forum Bath.
- West Wilts Area Girls Football Tournament.
- Multi sports Club (Sportzcoach).
- Judo Club (Pro Judo coaching)
- Football Club (Community Football)

Music and Arts

- School Christmas performances and KS2 Carol Service.
- Chroma Opera from Iford arts spent at day at our school running workshops.
- Bradford and Avon Festival Drum workshop.
- Bradford on Avon Festival Arts workshop.
- Attendance at the BOA Festival Parade.
- Whole school arts workshop.
- Choir performed `Songs from Joseph`.
- Performance of Yamamoto Small schools Singing Festival.
- Melksham Country dance Festival.

Community

- Opening of crossing at Atworth a joint Parish Council and School Travel plan initiative
- Harvest Service at Monkton Farleigh Church
- Samaritans Purse Shoe Box Appeal through Atworth Independent Church.
- Monkton Farleigh Village Fete involvement.
- Parish Council use our school facilities for meetings.
- Churchfields School Summer Fair.
- Monkton Farleigh Village/School Fete at the school.
- Churchfields School Christmas Fair.
- School Leavers Service at Atworth.
- Barnardos Charity Appeal involvement.
- Pupil initiated Fund raising events at both bases for the Haiti Appeal raised over £600.00.
- Choir sang at Atworth Church Mothers Day service.
- Children ran a service at Monkton Farleigh Church.
- Children performed at Monkton Farleigh Church Carol Service.
- Children read at Atworth Church Carol service.
- School Christmas Nativity and Carol service at Church.

- Monkton Farleigh pensioners school lunch with the children.
- Walking Bus run by parents.
- Churchfields Crawlers' (parents and Toddlers group) meet at school on a weekly basis.

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Extended schools.

- Family link cluster employed by Bradford on Avon Cluster of schools.
- Staff and parent run clubs: Green Club, Arts Club, Recorder Club, Netball Club, Homework Club, Dance Club, First Aid Club, Choir, Singing Club and Girls Football Club.
- Subscription clubs: SPORTZ Coach, Football Club and Judo Club/Mad Science Club.

ICT.

- Broadband upgrade across both bases creating one server allowing faster internet access and access to files across both sites.
- New laptops at both bases.
- New fixed computer suites at both bases.
- New interactive whiteboards in two classes.
- New digital cameras across the school.
- New office computer at Monkton Farleigh.
- Support Staff training in ICT.

Environment and buildings

- Solar heating fitted to school pool to increase length of swimming season. This initiative was fully funded by the PTA.
- Full rewire of Atworth with energy efficient lighting systems and new fire alarm system.
- New toilet and cloakroom extension at Monkton Farleigh for Hollyhocks preschool.
- Full refurbishment of mobile classrooms at Atworth.
- New security fence at Atworth.
- New central heating boiler at Monkton Farleigh.
- Refurbishment of Woodpecker classroom.
- Carpeting of Kingfisher classroom.
- Redecoration of hall, corridor, cloakrooms, offices and library are at Monkton Farleigh.
- Redecoration of corridors, library and hall at Atworth.
- Tendering procedure completed and planning permission applied for new play trails, outdoor classrooms and awnings at both bases.
- Vegetable gardens, outdoor area development and Forest School areas.
- Play caves created at Atworth base.