



Dear Parents and Carers,

It is the end of term 5 and the sun is shining! It has been perfect weather for our OPAL play day today where children have enjoyed some extra time outside to explore the extensive OPAL provision that is now on offer at Ivy Lane. It has also been a lovely day for our Year 4 classes to be part of the Chippenham Folk Festival.

It has been a very 'outdoorsy' week all in all, with Year 2 and Year 3 and Reception all having outdoor learning days.

Children who were lucky enough to win golden tickets at the recent FOILS Wonder Bar event have been enjoying their prizes over recent weeks. From behind-the-scenes tours of the school kitchen and non-uniform day, to tree-house reading time and opportunities to sit in the teacher's chair and even the Headteacher's chair (to name just a few experiences that were won.) The golden ticket treats have proved to be a big hit. Thank you to FOILS for organising this fundraising event, to parents and carers for buying the chocolate bars and to our staff team who have facilitated the experiences actually taking place.

Our Year 6 children enjoyed a well-deserved lunch time BBQ at the end of SATs last Friday. We were very proud of the way these children tackled the challenges of last week – well done Year 6!

I hope you enjoy a happy and sunny half term break now. School begins again on Monday 1st June and we look forward to welcoming all our families back then.



**Mrs H Lammin, Headteacher**

### Sports Day

Our Sports Day this year will take place on **Friday 12th June**.

Please see below the times for each key stage:

**KS2 (Years 3-6):** 9am to approximately 12pm

**Reception, KS1 (Years 1 & 2):** 12.45pm - 2.55pm

Please note we will be requesting that **all children in Year 1 and 2 bring in a packed lunch** on that day.

A letter will be sent out in due course giving further details.





\*New dates in green

Date	Event
02/06/26	Y1 Trip to Roves Farm
10/06/26	Y6 Residential Information Evening for Parents, 3.30pm
12/06/26	Sports Day – Y3-Y6 : 9am – 12noon , YR–Y2 : 12.45 – 2.55pm
17/06/26	Y6 Chippenham Games (details to follow)
17/06/26	Y1 Hargreaves Chippenham Museum and lunch in Monkton Park
18/06/26	Y1 Donaldson Chippenham Museum and lunch in Monkton Park
19/06/26	Reception Fathers' Day event 2.15pm
22/06/26	TD Day
23/06/26	Y5 Abbeyfield School Taster Day (details to follow)
25/06/2026	Y6 Production at 9.30am and 6pm (details to follow)
26/06/26	Non-uniform for FOILS Summer Fayre (details to follow)
27/06/26	FOILS Summer Fayre 12-3pm
29/06 to 01/07	Y6 Residential to Hooke Court
01/07/26	Sunflowers' Summer Sports 9am to 10.30am
02/07/26	Choir Voices of Friendship Concert at John Coles Park
03/07/26	End of Year Reports home to parents
09/07/26	Y6 Transition Sheldon School only
07/07/26	FOILS Summer Discos – CHANGE OF DATE AND YEAR GROUPS YR to 3 at 4.15 - 5.15pm / Y4 to 6 at 5.30 – 6.30pm
10/07/26	Y6 Transition Sheldon and Hardenhuish schools
10/07/26	Whole School Move Up Day (details to follow)
15/07/26	Reception trip to Weston-super-Mare (details to follow)
15/07/26	Reception to Y6 Open Classrooms, 3pm to 5pm
16/07/26	Y6 Transition Abbeyfield School only
16/07/2026	Y6 Ivy Fest (5pm to 6.30pm)
21/07/26	Sunflowers' Graduation 2 to 3pm
22/07/26	Y6 Leaver's Assembly 9.30am
22/07/26	Last day of Term. Early finish at 1.30pm

# Sports Person of the Term



We are delighted to announce the introduction of the Ivy Lane Sports Person of the Term Award. This award honours students for exceptional enthusiasm, skill, and sportsmanship in PE lessons and competitions. This will be awarded to one Child in each class every term.

Congratulations to the following children this term:

- Nizar H (Carle)
- Heidi V (Rosen)
- Ursula P (Donaldson)
- Eryk S (Hargreaves)
- Christopher F (Dahl)
- Eva M (Kerr)
- Freya L (Cowell)
- Dorothy F (Griffiths)
- Florence B (Morpurgo)
- Floyd W (Zephaniah)
- Evelyn T (Pullman)
- Remi L (Riddell)
- Solomon M (Lewis)
- Isla M (Tolkien)

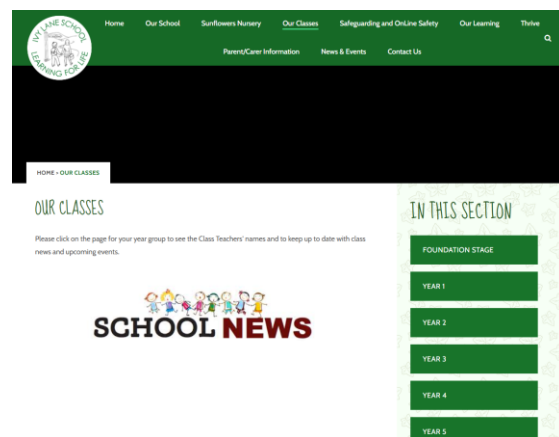


## Year Group News

<https://www.ivylane.wilts.sch.uk/page/?title=Our+Classes&pid=115>

To find out what's been happening over the last 2 weeks in your child's year group, take a look at the class pages on our website.

Please note, fortnightly updates will no longer appear in the newsletter.





Well done to these children who have impressed their class teachers over the last two weeks.

Carle: Rory M, Eduard S  
Rosen: Leia M, Elianna T  
Donaldson: Otis A, Siara K  
Hargreaves: Billy G, Amelia C  
Dahl: Sarah B-C, Sian A  
Kerr: Joel B, Orla S-A  
Cowell: Agnes S, Zoe C  
Griffiths: Cooper C, Grace G  
Morpurgo: Olly L, Harrison B  
Zephaniah: April M, Sebastian W  
Pullman: Evelyn T, Mia S  
Riddell: Louie K, Monet D  
Lewis: Poppy K  
Tolkien: Lilah R-W

Well done to the children on the Golden Ivy Leaf over the last two weeks who joined Mrs Lammin for a Headteacher's breakfast!  
Barney S, James S (Sunflowers)  
Elana VZ, Theo M, Rory M, Maisarah U, Cleo DA, Ellen G-C. Archie H, Oscar S, Nanci K, Bonnie F, Felicity H, Eduard S, Margot C, Otilie P (Carle)  
Devaswi M, Toby P (Rosen)  
Evellyn S, Amelia C, Cece S, Alva D, Wasif R (Hargreaves)  
George M, Valentina M-L (Dahl)  
Eva M, Gabriel W-R (Kerr)  
Amelie L (Zephaniah)



Thank you to those who have donated books to their class's reading corner in celebration of their birthday:

Evie J (Donaldson)  
Susie G (Morpurgo)  
Mia S (Pullman)  
Seren J (Lewis)

From the office...

## Contacting the School

01249 652556

### Email Mrs Jones

[assistantadmin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:assistantadmin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk)

- Pick up arrangements.
- School absences
- Medical appointments
- School dinner bookings
- Wraparound care
- Club bookings
- Parking permits
- Dietary / Medical needs

### Email Mrs Nowosielski

[admin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk)

For all other enquiries, including admissions, and your first point of contact for any member of staff at Ivy Lane.

### Changes to contact details

Please remember to let us know if there are any changes to your contact details, addresses, email addresses etc. You can do this through the Arbor parent portal or by letting the office know directly.



### Dietary / Medical Needs

Please keep the office updated with any dietary or medical needs your child has. Please let us know if this changes throughout the year.



### Medicines

If your child needs to have any regular medication in school please bring it to the school office and complete a medication form.



### Lost Property

Please remember to **name** your child's uniform and school equipment. Particularly their jumpers, cardigans, PE jumpers and water bottles. You can look for lost items at the end of the school day. Lost property is located inside the Y4/5 entrance near the tunnel gate.

### Reporting



### Absences

If your child is ill, please leave a message on our dedicated absence line, 01249 652556 (Option 1). It really helps us if you leave a voicemail rather than email in.

Please let us know your child's symptoms rather than saying they are 'ill' or 'sick' as we require this information for our attendance records.

For absence requests in advance, (eg. appointments / holidays/ external exams) please complete an absence request form, available from the office or download from the website and email in to [assistantadmin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:assistantadmin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk)



Please remember to let Ivy Kidz know if someone different will be collecting your child. We follow the same procedures as the school and cannot let your child go home with someone different unless we have had authorisation from parents.

A gentle reminder that we cannot accept any late bookings for Ivy Kidz or Breakfast Club due to our staff rota organisation.

Please ensure all sessions are booked within the 1 week booking deadline. Reminders are sent out weekly to advise about dates that the Wrap Around bookings on Arbor will be closing.

A gentle reminder that pick-up times for Ivy Kidz is 5.30pm. Please ensure your child is collected promptly.

Please use the out of hours number to call Ivy Kidz after 3pm for any emergencies or late collections.

Phone: 01249 460822

Email: [ivykidz@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:ivykidz@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk)

Please do not call this number during the school day.



# Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notices issued from September 2024

## Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued to each parent for each child that was absent.  
For Example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

## When will a Penalty Notice fine be issued?

Penalty Notices will be considered for 5 Consecutive days of term time leave or 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period (in the same or over different academic years).

## First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:  
£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days. Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

## Second Offence (within 3 years)

The second time a penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:  
£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

## Third Offence (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court.

Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.



## WILTSHIRE SUPPORT SERVICES

### Wiltshire Parent Carers Council

The Wiltshire Parent Carer Council (WPCC) can provide advice about local sources of support and information for families of children with special educational needs.

**Call the WPCC Helpline**

**01225 764 647**

**10.00am - 5.00pm**

**Monday - Friday**

[https://www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk/en/Contact\\_us](https://www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk/en/Contact_us)

## FREE MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Supporting the wellbeing of children has never been so important. To assist you in doing this, SSS Learning Ltd have produced two fantastic free parental resources:

I am sure parents/carers will find these free resources both informative and supportive.

[Child Mental Health & Wellbeing - 10 Top Tips for Parents](#)

[Parents' Mental Health & Wellbeing - 10 Top Tips for Parents](#)

### Wiltshire's Wellbeing Hub

The Wiltshire Wellbeing Hub can help:

- put people in touch with community groups who can help and provide a warm space
- signpost to sources of financial support and foodbanks
- provide advice to those experiencing loneliness
- advise people on cost-of-living crisis
- signpost customers to any appropriate schemes through the Household Support Fund (HSF)

# mapac<sup>®</sup>

School Uniform can be ordered here:

<https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/ivyaneSN1>



## Do you receive any of the following?

- Income support
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and your income (as calculated by the Inland Revenue) is less than £16,190
- Universal Credit
- Receiving support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act of 1999
- In the Armed Forces

If you can answer yes to any of the above you may qualify for free school meals/Pupil Premium



The school office will help with your application. If your application is successful not only will your child receive free school meals, but our school will receive £1,300 additional funding (per child). This is called Pupil Premium.

All applications are confidential.

## The Wiltshire WELLBEING HUB

For vulnerable people in need of support

# 0300 003 4576

[wellbeinghub@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:wellbeinghub@wiltshire.gov.uk)

#WiltshireTogether

Wiltshire Council

## Pickwick Academy Trust



Part of Pickwick Academy Trust Vision: "to work together to provide the best schools and outcomes for our children"

Registered office: Pound Pill, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 9YW, Companies House No: 07557894

Web: [www.pickwickacademytrust.co.uk](http://www.pickwickacademytrust.co.uk) Email: [admin@pickwickacademytrust.co.uk](mailto:admin@pickwickacademytrust.co.uk) Twitter: @PickwickTrust



# MAY HALF TERM

## MULTI SPORTS COURSE

TUESDAY 26TH - FRIDAY 29TH MAY  
2026 (4 DAYS)

9AM - 4PM



Our popular Multi Sports Programme is open to boys and girls of all abilities aged 5 -13 and offers a fantastic variety of sports & activities each day.

Our activity days are structured around teamwork and working together and are delivered in a fun and engaging atmosphere.



**Hardenhuish School**  
Hardenhuish Lane  
Chippenham  
SN14 6RJ



£35 a day  
£130 for all 4 days (discounted)



To Book Visit Our Website



**UP & UNDER SPORTS**  
www.upandundersports.co.uk



**BOOK NOW**

# Summer Sunday Open Days at Sevington Victorian School

2.00 – 5.00pm

Sevington School is a beautifully preserved Victorian village school set in the heart of the Wiltshire countryside, 4 miles from J17 on the M4, close to Chippenham, Castle Combe and Malmesbury.

Experience and tour the authentic Victorian school room, school mistress's house and level access gardens. Enjoy our children's activities and home made teas.



## *2026 dates*

*June 7th Victorian garden display*

*July 5th Lace making demonstration*

*Admission: adults £4, children £2, families £10*

*September 13th Heritage Weekend free entry*

*Lace making and Penny-farthing demonstrations*

[sevingtonvictorianschool.co.uk](http://sevingtonvictorianschool.co.uk)

[enquiries@sevingtonvictorianschool.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@sevingtonvictorianschool.co.uk)

Sevington Victorian School, Sevington, Wilts, SN14 7LD

Tel 01249 783070

Registered Charity No:1178337



# Acting Improv and Art & Design



**Years 6~8**  
**4.15~5.15pm**  
**FREE until**  
**July '26**

**Years 9~13**  
**5.30~7pm**  
**£85 per 10-week**  
**term**

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**Wiltshire Council**



**Wednesdays, St Pauls Church Hall**

**Arts Awards starting in September**

**Youth Theatre for 13-18s back in September**

For more information, or to book, visit [www.ragandbonearts.com](http://www.ragandbonearts.com)



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Rag and Bone Arts is a Community Interest Company, number 07708545

# Hangout Space at Emery Gate



**Pool tables Giant jenga**  
**Ping Pong Musical instruments**  
**Drinks and snacks**

**FREE!**

**Thursdays and Fridays**  
**3.30~5.30pm**  
**(14~18s)**

**Saturdays**  
**1.30~3.30pm (10~13s)**  
**3.30-5.30pm (14-18s)**



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**Save money and cook better  
than the takeaway**

# JOIN OUR **FREE** FUN COOKING COURSES

...all you need is a kitchen and a phone!

Free, fun cooking  
courses **AT HOME**  
Cook great food in  
just two weeks!  
Impress friends  
and family

Exciting meals can be quick, fun, easy and cheap to cook with our  
**FREE** (ingredients included), flexible, home-based short courses



**CHANA MASALA**



**ITALIAN PASTA SAUCE**



**MIDDLE EASTERN PILAF**



**To register**

Phone or text/Whatsapp **07463 111 006**

or email: **Wiltshire@bagssoftaste.org**

or you can sign up online: **<https://bagssoftaste.org/students>**



# Are you worried about the rising cost of food and how to eat healthily on a tight budget?

Then join one of our free, fun cooking courses. Learn how to make delicious, healthy meals from all over the world whilst saving money.



All you need is a kitchen and a phone!

## About the course

- **FREE**, ingredients included\*
- Cook tasty, healthy meals, cheaply
- Get tips on how to budget and save money when you're shopping
- Learn how to waste less

## How does it work?

- We deliver three step-by-step recipes and all the ingredients you need, straight to your door
- Your personal mentor will support you by phone or WhatsApp with lots of tips and advice along the way
- At the end you'll get a free gift of wallet-friendly recipes

## What do I need to do?

- All we ask is that you cook the three recipes and send us photos of your lovely food!

## How long does it take?

- About two weeks but you can work at your own pace

## How do I join?

- Register online:  
<https://bagsoftaste.org/students>
- Call/WhatsApp **07463 111 006**
- Email [Wiltshire@bagsoftaste.org](mailto:Wiltshire@bagsoftaste.org)

Once we've confirmed your registration we'll contact you to arrange your delivery



**LEARN TO  
COOK**



**EAT LESS  
TAKEAWAYS**



**SAVE  
MONEY**



**IMPROVE  
HEALTH**



**HAVE  
FUN**

\* For qualifying participants only

**AGE 5-11  
YEARS**



**PRICING**

9:00 - 15:00 £35

9:00 - 12:30 £25

# HALF TERM WORKSHOP

## MIXED ACTIVITIES

### DATES

26TH - 29TH OF MAY

### WHERE?

BSL CALNE  
REDMAN ROAD

### SPORTS

- FUN, INCLUSIVE PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES
- TEAM GAMES AND MOVEMENT-BASED LEARNING
- FOCUS ON CONFIDENCE, COORDINATION, AND WELLBEING
- SUITABLE FOR ALL ABILITIES

### ADDITIONAL BREAKFAST CLUB

8:00-9:00  
£5

### COOKING

- SIMPLE, PRACTICAL RECIPES
- BUILDING INDEPENDENCE AND LIFE SKILLS
- ENCOURAGING HEALTHY EATING HABITS
- STEP-BY-STEP SUPPORT IN A SMALL GROUP SETTING



### ART

OUR ART SESSIONS PROVIDE A CALM, SUPPORTIVE SPACE WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE CAN EXPLORE CREATIVITY, BUILD CONFIDENCE AND EXPRESS THEMSELVES IN A WAY THAT FEELS RIGHT FOR THEM.

### WHY CHOOSE BLUE SKY LEARNING?

- ✓ SMALL GROUP SIZES
- ✓ EXPERIENCED, SUPPORTIVE STAFF
- ✓ CALM, STRUCTURED ENVIRONMENT
- ✓ FOCUS ON WELLBEING AND CONFIDENCE
- ✓ PERSON-CENTRED APPROACH (ALIGNED WITH SEND SUPPORT)

**TO BOOK EMAIL**

**ADMIN@BSLEUCATION.CO.UK**



## Discovering Confidence

### Central Chippenham

Thursday 28 May 10:00am-12:30pm



**Booking Closes  
21 May 2026**

- Recognise your strengths
- Develop confidence in your abilities
- Boost your wellbeing

**For bookings and enquiries,  
call the FaCL team on 01225 770478 or contact  
familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk  
or scan the QR code**



Courses are no cost to learners who meet our eligibility criteria. Learners must be aged 19+ years old on 31 August. They must have a Wiltshire postcode and meet certain residency requirements. Learners must also be able to tick one of the following criteria: individual income less than £25,750 a year; in receipt of benefits (other than child benefit); be a care leaver, foster carer or carer; be a military family or ex-armed forces personnel; have refugee status; have a learning difficulty or disability; be looking to go into work, now or in the future.



## Discovering Wellbeing Central Chippenham

Thursday 4 June

10:00am - 12:30pm



Booking closes  
Thursday 28 May

### Take more control of your wellbeing

Understand how anxiety affects the body and mind  
Learn coping strategies for difficult times  
Know when and who to ask for help

For bookings scan the QR code or contact: 01225 770478  
[familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk)  
<https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-and-community-learning/>



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# Summer Camp

*Chippenham Youth Theatre  
presents*



## Peter Pan

Week 1- August 10th-15th

Week 2 - August 17th-22nd

Ages 4-19

Price for the week- £160

Price includes a show T-shirt

Sheldon Road Methodist Church

10am - 5pm Monday-Friday

Sheldon School

Saturday 10am-8pm

To book email us at

[hello@chippenhamyouththeatre.com](mailto:hello@chippenhamyouththeatre.com)