

17th April 2026

NEWSLETTER

Issue 11



With God, all things are possible Matthew 19:26



Marden Vale
CE Academy

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you all had a lovely Easter break. A reminder that our Easter Tombola will take place on Wednesday 22nd April after school. Lots of chocolate prizes to be won and money to be raised for the school PTA.

A reminder that children are now coming into school in their P.E kits on their PE days, except Tadpole class.



Butterfly – Monday & Thursday
Otter – Tuesday & Thursday
Dragonfly – Tuesday & Thursday
Fox – Wednesday & Friday
Kingfisher – Monday
Bumblebee – Monday & Wednesday

Please, please, please, if you have any spare helmets, scooters or skateboards that you no longer require, it would be amazing if you could donate them to school. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Scrivens
Headteacher

Term Value
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<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
22 nd April	Chocolate Tombola	After school – Big hall
28 th April	Dance Club Competition	
19 th May	Class Photos	Tempest Photography
25th – 29th May	HALF TERM	
3 rd June	Bumblebee Farm visit	
1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd June	Year 6 Bikeability Group 1	
4 th June	Sports Day	
8 th , 9 th , 10 th June	Year 6 Bikeability Group 2	
11 th June	Year 6 Leavers’ Service	Salisbury Cathedral
18 th June	Year 5 Taster day - Abbeyfield	
26th June	TD DAY	Children not in school
6 th – 9 th July	Year 6 Swimming	Mon/Tues/ Wed/ Thurs
8 th July	Year 5 Taster Day - KGA	
13 th – 16 th July	Year 6 Swimming	Mon/Tues/Wed/ Thurs

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
Monday	Yr 5/6 Cricket – Mr Hemmings	April: 20 th , 27 th May: 11 th , 18 th
Tuesday	Yr 4/5/6 Dance	April 14 th & 21 st Competition 28 th April
Tuesday	Yr 2-5 Art – Miss Weare	April: 21 st , 28 th May: 5 th , 12 th , 19 th
Thursday	Yr 1-3 Forest School – Miss Davidson & Mrs Luker	April: 23 rd , 30 th May: 7 th , 14 th , 21 st
Thursday	Yr 3-5 Multi-skills – Miss Gisbourne	April: 23 rd , 30 th May: 7 th , 14 th , 21 st

WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE

	W/E 17 th April
TADPOLE	99.2%
BUTTERFLY	96.9%
OTTER	98.5%
DRAGONFLY	98.7%
FOX	99.2%
KINGFISHER	94.6%
HIVE	88.2%

CLASS WINNERS

17th April

Tadpole & Kingfisher 99.2%

STARS OF THE WEEK

17th April

Bella F, Remy, Tommy S, Ostin,
Kacey-Rose, Oscar

READS



Well done to the following who continue excellence with their reading at home.

25 reads: Amelia, Lyra

50 Reads: Remy, Codi-Jay, Tykhon

100 Reads: Alfie, Florence

150 reads: Torrah

200 Reads: Daniel, Yvie, Joan, Ella, Francine, Ashley,
Mitchell, Yusuf, Charlie M, Coby, Cadi

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

We would like to say congratulations to Ashton for achieving Man of the Match in his recent football game for Calne Lions U9s.

Children may struggle in certain areas of their lives, however, with perseverance and determination, many go on to achieve so much in activities they love.

If your child has achievements they wish to share with us, please email admin@mardenvale.dsat.org.uk



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SCHOOL MEALS

For those that order Sue Brady Meals, the option to order until the end of July is available.

We are finding that there are a number of children that are refusing to eat the chosen meals for various reasons. Please make sure your child is happy with the choices that you have selected. We are unable to offer other choices due to Sue Brady only delivering what has been ordered. We will make every effort to contact you if your child has refused to eat lunch.

Bath and North East Somerset,
Swindon and Wiltshire
Community Health 

Please take the time to visit the following website. There is a wealth of information that can help both parents/carers and children.

<https://bswcommunityservices.co.uk/needs/>

WHERE DO I FIND SCHOOL INFORMATION?

Newsletters are produced every fortnight. We aim to keep you up to date with information and events in school but also community news. Newsletters will be sent via email to all Primary Guardians and a hardcopy is always available from the main reception. It is also available on our website and is posted on our Facebook page.

Please take the time to visit our website, there is so much information available for everyone, whether it is to read our policies, home learning, the curriculum, newsletter, clubs, calendar, term dates and much more. You can subscribe to our calendar and never miss a date!

ATTENDANCE

We have arrived in the Summer Term of this Academic Year. If your child is unwell e.g. Fever, vomiting, diarrhoea, please contact the school via either email: admin@mardenvale.dsat.org.uk, call us directly on 01249 813505 or leave a voicemail on our absence line. You should make every effort to send your child into school. If you are unsure, send them in and if we feel they are too unwell at any stage of the day, we will call you.

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READ TOGETHER...

The good Samaritan

When someone asked Jesus the question, “Who is my neighbour?” he told a story that surprised everyone who heard it. The hero was from Samaria but those listening were mainly Jews. (Jews and Samaritans usually kept well away from each other.)

“A man set out on foot from Jerusalem to a town called Jericho”, said Jesus. The crowd murmured and exchanged knowing glances. They knew this was a lonely, dangerous road, a favourite place for robbers to attack travellers.

“As the man reached a rocky and desolate place, a gang of robbers leapt out and beat him. They took all that he had and left him bleeding and bruised. To the man’s relief, he saw in the distance a priest from the temple. A priest is bound to help me, thought the man. He waited until the priest came a little closer and then called out, ‘Thank goodness it is you. Please Sir, take me to safety.’ But to his amazement the priest hurried past pretending not to see or hear him.

As the poor, injured man grew weaker and weaker in the burning midday sun, he once again heard footsteps. Looking up he saw a Levite, another of his own people. ‘Please Sir, please help me’, he called out. Surely this Levite would take pity on him, but to his horror the Levite just kept on walking.

The man had almost given up hope when he felt a gentle touch on his shoulder. A stranger, a Samaritan, had bent down beside him and was bandaging his wounds and giving him sips of water to drink. The Samaritan helped the man on to his own donkey and slowly, carefully took him all the way to an inn. There he paid the innkeeper to look after the man until he was well. The man never forgot the **compassion** and kindness of the Samaritan stranger.”

“Who do you think was a good neighbour?” asked Jesus.

Bible story based on Luke 10:29-37

“No act of kindness, no matter
how small, is ever wasted” *Aesop*





Meet the author: Hana Tooke

Saturday 25 April 11am
Calne Library



Join bestselling children's author (and former reluctant reader) Hana Tooke for an enchanting event where she introduces the curious and timeless science of Librariology.

Whether you're already a book-lover or haven't quite found your story yet, this event is for you. Through interactive story-finding experiments, Hana will demonstrate how finding a book that is just right for you can spark a life-long love of reading. Most magical of all, you'll discover that a simple library card is one of the most powerful treasures you'll ever own.

Event suitable for children 7 - 11 years.



Book your **free** place at
Calne Library
01249 706625
or use the QR code



"I think this might be her best book yet."

"A thrilling twisty mystery packed with gothic atmosphere and a rogues' gallery of delightfully eccentric characters."

"Wednesday meets the Secret Garden"





Game On

Making team sports more accessible to children in Wiltshire

Enjoy new friendships, grow in confidence, handle the losses and celebrate the wins.



Want your child to keep healthy and active without the worry of costs?

Game On is a new charity dedicated to enabling children grow physically, socially and emotionally through team sport.

We offer:

- Help with club membership fees for children of school age
- Free sports kit and equipment to get them game-ready
- Connections to local clubs in football, netball, hockey, rugby, and cricket

Want to learn more?

Contact the club and ask about "Game On" or visit our website

www.gameoncharity.com



If you would like to find out more, please feel free to contact Fiona directly at fiona@gameoncharity.com

Calne CC's First-Ever! Girls Softball Teams!

For Under 11s & Under 13s
Join the fun, learn cricket skills,
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For more information contact
Phil Barwell 07594283313



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