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# OAKHILL NEWS

**January 19<sup>th</sup> 2018**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school and the latest edition of our Newsletter. It is a short half term but we have already been very busy. Mrs Foister has returned from All Saints, Montacute and is impressed with all the hard work that has taken place. She is enjoying teaching and being part of our leadership team again.

We have been really impressed at how quickly children have resumed their school routine after, what is always a busy Christmas break. Children have dived straight into the new topic this term, Just One Book. Each class is focusing on a chosen book on which this term's learning will be based. The intended plan is to further promote books as a key way to learn, both skills in English as well as stimulating interest in other areas, such as geography, history, art and music.

On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, Oakhill are hosting the Learning and Achievement Meeting for BWMAT Trustees. This will be an opportunity to share the work we have been undertaking as part of our School Development Plan, as well as providing an opportunity to tour the school, talk to our staff and children so that they have a deeper understanding about how our school operates.

Next month we will be supporting the National Safer Internet Day 2018. We wanted to give you plenty of notice that this is coming up, as your part in supporting and educating your child or children is vital. This day will remind and engage us all in how we use online devices and continue to educate the children in keeping safe when using the internet. More detail is provided later in this newsletter.

Our showcase this term, on 6<sup>th</sup> February, will focus on maths and the work that has been inspired by our Just One Book topic. We hope many of you will be able to join your children to see their learning and pick up ideas for how to further support your child with their maths skills and knowledge.

Mrs B Foister  
Head Teacher

Mrs P Cohen  
Deputy Head Teacher

## Upcoming Dates

### This week

- 23.01.18 Cross Country Club 3:15-4:15pm  
26.01.18 KS1 Gymnastics 3:15-4pm  
KS2 Gymnastics 4-4:45pm

### Next week

- 30.01.18 Cross Country Race at Downside  
02.02.18 KS1 Gymnastics 3:15-4pm  
KS2 Gymnastics 4-4:45pm

### Looking ahead

- 06.02.18 National Safer Internet Day 2018  
Showcase to Parents 2:30pm  
09.02.18 End of Term 3  
12.02.18 HALF TERM WEEK  
19.02.18 Start of Term 4  
12.03.18 INSET DAY  
23.02.18 Rocktopus PTA Event  
6pm Binegar Memorial Hall  
23.03.18 End of Term 4



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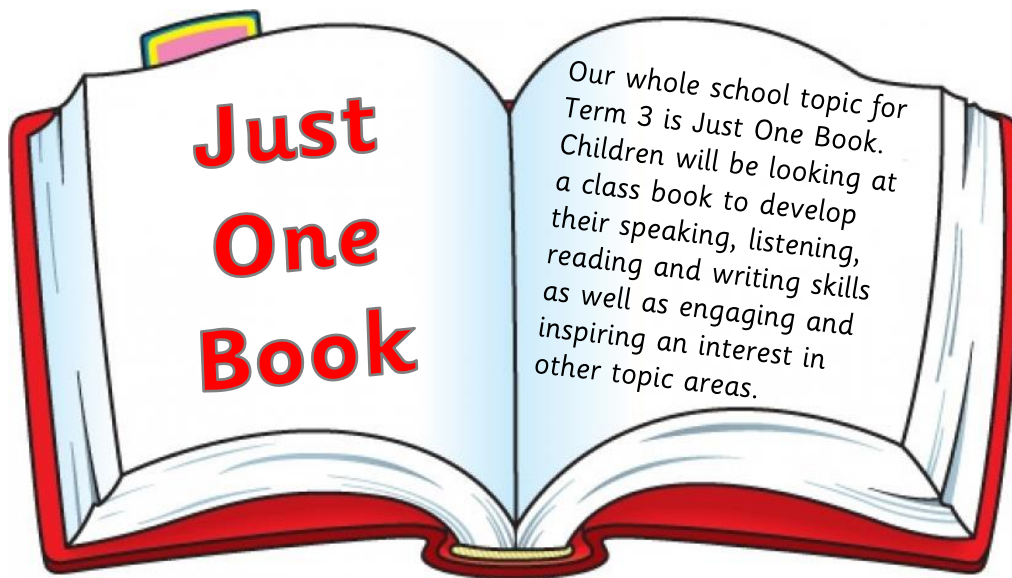


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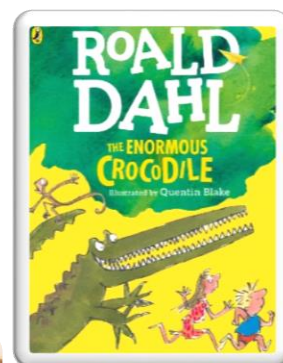
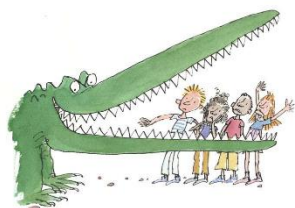


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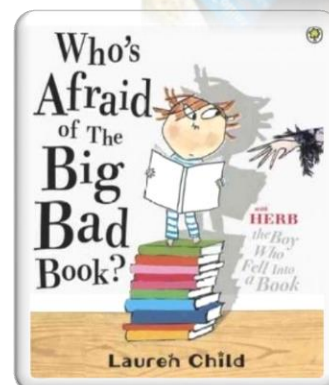
## Swallows

Swallows have been learning about 'The muddiest, brownest river in Africa.'. We identified the River Nile using Google Earth and spent time looking at the types of animals and plants found in Africa using atlases. The children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring our jungle themed room. Here they have been listening to the audio CD of the story and using masks and props to act it out. They have also been exploring a variety of musical instruments and exploring the sounds of these.



## Glow Worms

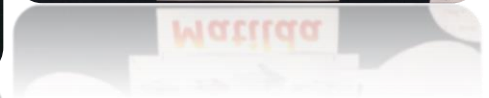
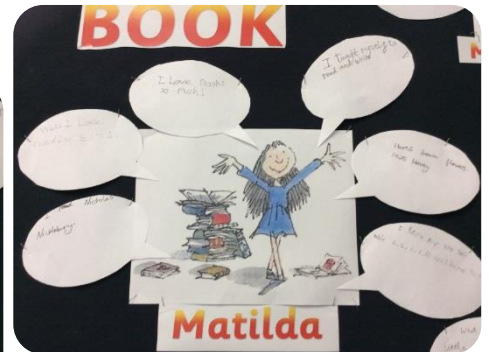
Glow Worms are really enjoying their book 'Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Book?'. Herb, the main character, meets all sorts of characters from a variety of fairy tales. Glow Worms have been using adjectives to describe characters and settings and have been retelling and rewriting Goldilocks this week.



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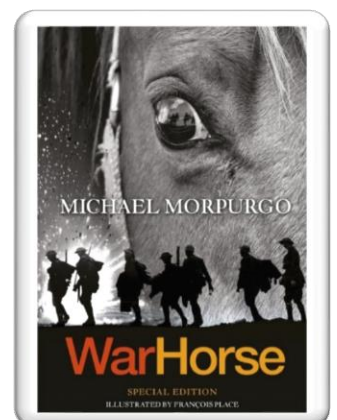




So far, Bears have written a letter from the point of view of the boy, have begun to find out about Tudor monarchs, used maps to follow the journey of the boy as he makes his way south from Cumbria and looked at play scripts, as Shakespeare makes an appearance in the story. We have some budding 'Juliets' in the class!

Hopefully, we'll be performing from our own play scripts after Friday's English session!

Salamanders enjoyed listening to Mrs Lewis who shared lots of interesting artefacts and information about a about a relative of hers that served in the First World War.





We are supporting  
**Safer Internet Day**  
6 Feb 2018

#SID2018  
[www.saferinternetday.org.uk](http://www.saferinternetday.org.uk)

### **“Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you”.**

We are all aware of our own and our children’s increasing exposure and activity online. Unlike adults, primary age children came into a digital world and do not know any different. We all have a duty to keep our children educated and safe and the National Safer Internet Day ensures this is refreshed and reviewed by everyone.

### **What is Safer Internet Day?**

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people and inspire a national conversation. Coordinated in the UK by the UK Safer Internet Centre the celebration sees hundreds of organisations get involved to help promote the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people. Globally, Safer Internet Day is celebrated in over a hundred countries, coordinated by the joint Insafe/INHOPE network, with the support of the European Commission, and national Safer Internet Centres across Europe.

The day offers the opportunity to highlight positive uses of technology and to explore the role we all play in helping to create a better and safer online community. It calls upon young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers, and wider, to join together in helping to create a better internet. Get involved to play your part!

Visit the site: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018>



The new issue of Digital Parenting magazine will soon be here. The online safety guide for families is a partnership between Parent Zone and Vodafone, and a copy has been ordered and will be distributed to each family as soon as it arrives.



<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/advice-and-info/pants/pants-2018/pants-parents-guide-online.pdf>

The NSPCC is an excellent website for information and resources to support educators, such as schools and parents. It covers a range of topics around safeguarding, including PANTS – the underwear rule – which can help you approach and carry out a difficult conversation around keeping safe.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule/>



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# School Community News

## Oakhill PTA

Don't forget . . .

On Friday 23rd February 2018 at 6pm Binegar Memorial Hall, the amazing Rocktopus will be entertaining the whole family - tickets are available from: [www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/424575](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/424575)



**ROCK THE PARTY**

**ROCKTOPUS**

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**Binegar Memorial Hall (BA3 4TR)**  
**Friday 23rd February 5:30- 8:00**

Learn the moves Sing the songs Join The Band!	An exciting entertaining event for the whole family	Refreshments available
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Child ticket: £4 Adult ticket: £4 Family ticket: £14 (2 x adults 2 x children)

Buy tickets online by visiting: [www.rocktopusmusic.com/binegar](http://www.rocktopusmusic.com/binegar) Contact Sarah: 07845756700  
sarah.westell41@gmail.com

## Vacancy at Oakhill Church School

We currently have a vacancy for an After-School Club Supervisor:

- 5 hours per week
- Thursday and Friday
- 3pm – 5:30pm

Please see the school website for further information and an application form.



## Oakhill Village Residents

It has been brought to the school's attention by residents and parents that everyone needs to consider where they park when visiting, dropping off or collecting children from school. We know that parking can be tricky but:

- Parking on a pavement means it is not safe for pedestrians
- Parking on yellow lines or zig-zags is illegal
- Parking on or close to a bend is likely to cause an accident and is unsafe.

Please think and remember it could be your child using the road, pavement or crossing.

Thank you.



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