



## Hands UP for the Planet

On Wednesday, Year 5 enjoyed a workshop with 'Hands up for the Planet'.

The children looked at a timeline of the life of the earth, starting at the Big Bang, looking at how fossil fuels were created and how quickly we're going through them now.

Then they were each tasked with preparing an interview on a different renewable energy source/sustainable living choice and they presented it to the class 'on tv'!

They learnt about our carbon footprint, and differences between life in the UK and life in Malawi, making a clay stove to demonstrate a more efficient and safer way of cooking, resulting in less deforestation and fewer health problems.



## RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch

Across the UK, over half a million people took part in Big Garden Birdwatch 2023, counting a whopping 9.1 million birds! House Sparrows took the top spot, but counts of these chirpy birds are down by 57% compared to the first Birdwatch in 1979. In fact, we've lost 38 million birds from UK skies in the last 60 years. With birds facing so many challenges, it's more important than ever to get involved in the Birdwatch. Every bird you do – or don't – count will give us a valuable insight into how garden birds are faring.

This year's [RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch](#) runs from 26th to 28th January 2024.

Click here to find out more information.



Big Garden  
Birdwatch

26-28 January 2024

## Year 3 Caerleon Trip



On Friday we went to Caerleon Museum in Wales. In the entrance it was very cold so we did some marching to keep us warm. Then after about five minutes of marching on the spot they opened the door and let us in.

We went to the barrack room where we saw some beds. We got to wear armour, I thought it was very heavy. The beds were full of rats, fleas and bugs. The pillows were rock hard, I have no idea how they slept!

As quick as a flash, we went to the workshop to see how they used medicine. The officers had enough money to afford good treatment. The soldiers got it for free but sadly the workers couldn't afford good treatment. The Romans thought it was evil spirits that caused headaches but it was pressure.

Finally, we went to the amphitheatre where the Romans used to fight. There was huge stands with lots of grass seats. We played tag for about five minutes before we had to get back on the bus to come home. It was such a fun day.

- Written by William Year 3

## Prayer Corner

Dear Heavenly Father

Thank You for our beautiful world in all its colour and diversity. Help us appreciate every living creature on earth, from the tiny ant to the elephant.

Let us celebrate diversity in plants, diversity in insects, diversity in people and let us know that with diversity comes strength and richness.

Amen

## Dates for your Diary



Date	Time	Event
Wed 31st Jan	all day	Y5 Shakespeare Performances Courtyard 5pm
Thurs 1st Feb	9:00	Reception Class Assembly
Mon 5th Feb	15:15	Y6 SATs & Residential Meeting with parents
Tues 6th Feb	09:00 - 09:30	Parent Drop in Y1, Y2, Y3
Tues 6th Feb	09:30 - 10:00	Parent Info - Reading & Writing in KS1 and OFSTED Update
Wed 7th Feb	09:00 - 09:30	Parent Drop in Y4, Y5, Y6
Wed 7th Feb	09:30 - 10:00	Parent Info - Internet safety and OFSTED Update
Thurs 8th Feb	16:30-18:30	PTFA Valentine's disco
Mon 12th- 16th Feb		Half term holiday
Tues 20th Feb	all day	Y4 Science trip to Waterworks Museum
Thurs 22nd Feb	9:00	Y6 Class Assembly
Fri 23rd Feb		Mid Year Reports
Mon 26th Feb	16:00 & 19:00	Y4 Moving Targets Performances Courtyard
Mon 4th- 8th March	all week	Book week (UN World Wildlife day 3rd)
Thurs 7th March	TBC	Book week Y4 Trip to Courtyard
Thurs 7th March	all day	World Book day
Fri 8th March	19:00-22:00	Murder Mystery Evening for adults
Mon 11th—Fri 15th March	all week	Year 6 Residential Trip to PGL
Mon 11th March	13:30-17:00	KS1 Parent Meetings (R, Y1, Y2)
Wed 13th March	13:30-17:00	KS2 Parent Meetings (Y3, Y4, Y5)
Tues 19th March	15:15-16:15	Spring Music Concert
Wed 20th March	13:30-17:00	Y6 Parents Meetings
Thurs 21st March	9:00	Easter Service led by Y5
Fri 22nd March		Fund raiser for 'Project Mala' - Last day of term 2

PTFA Events—book ticket via the [link](#)

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**THURSDAY 8TH FEBRUARY**

**KS1 4:30-5:30**

**KS2 5:30-6:30**

Drop off: Main reception

Collection: Fire exit Miss Quinn's classroom

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