



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

10TH FEBRUARY 2022

GREAT BEDWYN CE SCHOOL



iSingPOP Concerts: 14th February

Thankfully, the covid numbers have reduced and the majority of children have returned to school. Therefore we will be going ahead with the rescheduled iSingPOP concert on Monday 14th February. The concerts will be at 2pm and 6pm. Please pick your children up from the Church at 3pm unless they are attending an after school club, tuition or are on the school mini bus. We are looking forward to the first big event since the pandemic started but would appreciate if everyone could take the necessary precautions. Social distancing will not be possible.

Development days—School Closed

Remember: The school is closed on Friday 18th and 28th of February for staff development days. Staff will not be available to respond to phone calls.

Respect and Responsibility

The behaviour and learning attitudes at school is typically good, but we have noticed that the pandemic has had an impact. This is a national problem in schools and not just a local one. Having respect and taking responsibility for self and property is not always at the core of behaviour. At school we have launched Earn your Wings in Key stage 2 which will focus on different values in depth, and across the school we are reminding children of the expectation for behaviour. We would really welcome your support at home and in small actions such as asking children to pack their own PE bag, or carry their own belongings to and from school. You may be surprised how many times your children blame you for forgetting **their** belongings!

Covid update

Numbers of positive cases in school remain low. Currently, across the school we have nine pupils testing positive and three members of staff. Thank you for your support and vigilance. The latest risk assessment for Covid can be found on the [school website](#).

Safeguarding and Well-being

Remember.... Safeguarding at Great Bedwyn School is 'everyone's responsibility, every day'.

The children have been learning about online safety. Please support the school and discuss this further at home.

School reports and Parents' Evenings

We will be sharing an interim report which will provide a brief overview of the latest current attainment, attendance, behaviour and attitude towards learning. This will be followed up with a parents' evening after half term. Dates will be available to book via MCAS once available.

Winter Olympics

Year 3 enjoyed their very own winter Olympics at Great Bedwyn participating in a curling competition. The children learnt the rules and developed their skills, as well as continuing to build on team work. They enjoyed a superb morning which was organised through Wiltshire County Council.

Celebrating Success

Well done to Willow, Barnaby, Clementine and Jack (all Year 4) who represented the school in the Year 4 Mathematics challenge at St Gabriel's School. They performed well in the challenges and represented the school in a superb manner.

Dates for the Diary

Mon 14th Feb: iSingPOP concerts

Tues 15th: First Aid/CPR training (all children)

Wed 16th Feb: Play in a Day (KS2), Rags2Riches

Fri 18th February: TD Day

21st - 25th February: half term



We have ordered a new stage to be ready for next week's concert. If anyone can make use of the old one, which consisted of 8 wooden 1.5mx1.5 metre cubes, please contact the school office.

A donation to the school would be greatly appreciated.



Our next collection date is Wednesday 16th February. Please start putting aside any items to bring to school on that morning.

What We Collect

Whether you just cleaned out your wardrobe, your kids have outgrown their clothes, or you want to raise money for your local school or charity, why not consider getting cash for your clothes? It'll help the environment too, since they won't get thrown in to landfills. Take a look at what we collect below, and have fun packing!



Items we do not accept are.



Great Green Bedwyn Survey

What should we do about climate change in Great Bedwyn?

The Great Green Bedwyn Survey <https://tinyurl.com/3fn4vhnu>

We need to know your views about how we can tackle climate change in Great Bedwyn. What actions are practical, affordable and do-able at home and in the village? Together we can make a difference, and many of the actions can save us money, too! Everyone who completes our survey can ask for a free heat loss survey of their home and help with calculating their carbon footprint.

Please share your views by completing our short survey electronically at <https://tinyurl.com/3fn4vhnu> or on a paper form delivered through your door or available from the Post Office. Your views are essential to help us decide on actions to reduce carbon emissions in Great Bedwyn and guide us in arranging village meetings and other actions.

Survey closing date: Friday 25 Feb.

JOIN US FOR THE GBSA QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 25th March
7:30pm in the School Hall

£5/person
Teams of 6
Licensed bar and snacks

Back by popular demand the GBSA are holding an adult only Quiz Night on Friday 25th March!!!! Join us for an evening of fun, friends and COMPETITION!!!

Don't miss this sell out event, buy your tickets now! Come in teams of 6, or join a team on the night, with tickets costing £5 per person. Licensed bar, snacks and a raffle! Can you be crowned Bedwyn's Brainiest?!! Please complete the attached form and return with cash to the school office by Friday 4th March.

Many thanks, Year 6 Class Reps: Emma, Heather, Bekha and Alison

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not just tennis

2022

Tennis & Sporting Activities
at Ramsbury Tennis Club
with Lewis & Catherine from
Tennis Xperience UK

DATES:
11th / 12th / 13th / 14th APRIL
19th / 20th / 21st APRIL

DETAILS:
For Children Aged 5-13 (All Abilities)
Timings: 9.00am - 13.00pm
Cost: £30.00 per child per day for RTC members.
An additional £5.00 one off fee for non-members.
Minimum of 2 day booking

NAME: _____ POSTCODE: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 TELEPHONE: _____ MOBILE: _____
 DATE OF BIRTH: / / E-MAIL: _____
 MEDICAL INFO: _____
 PLEASE SPECIFY DAYS: _____

Please make cheques payable to 'Not Just Tennis' and send to:
Little Chase, 3 Forest Hill, Great Bedwyn, Marlborough SN8 3LP



JUNIOR BAKE OFF

...IS LOOKING FOR THE UK'S
BEST YOUNG BAKERS
AGED 9 - 12



WWW.APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK

APPLICATIONS CLOSE
SUNDAY 13TH MARCH 2022

Enquiries:
applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk



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Wiltshire Music Connect presents
'JukeBox', a music-making
opportunity for musicians aged
8-18 of any level, welcoming all
instruments and abilities

<https://www.jukeboxmusicclub.org.uk/>



ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMPS

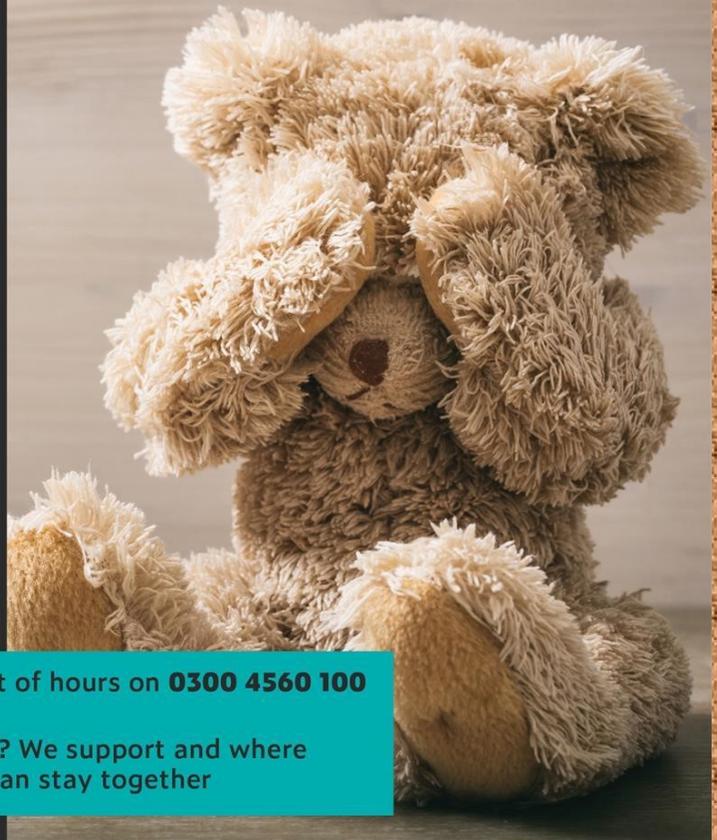


Outstanding activity camps for 4-14 year olds this
Easter & Summer at St Gabriel's School, Newbury

0330 111 7077 www.ultimateactivity.co.uk

Safeguarding is **EVERYONE'S** business!

- Is there anything that worries you about a child that you know or have seen?
- Are there arguments next door, where a child lives, that worry you?
- Do you see anxious looks, injuries, or not see the child you know at all at times?
- Is that child left alone for hours at a time, or seen to be uncared for?
- Are there young ones in your street, out after dark alone, without warm clothes?
- Would you like advice ?



Then please call: MASH on **0300 4560 108** out of hours on **0300 4560 100**
For immediate danger dial **999**



Are you worried reporting could split a family? We support and where possible help families make changes so they can stay together



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Vulnerable
People Partnership

Wiltshire Council



It is with great regret that we have to announce the official closure of the Scout Group at Great Bedwyn. After a long campaign, we were not able to secure enough Leaders to continue running and so the unfortunate decision was made in December 2021 to close the Cub and Beaver groups. There are several scout groups in the local area and if you would like your child to partake in those marvellous facilities you can register your interest on the UK Scouts website at www.scouts.org.uk

We would like to thank all of the Leaders, Helpers and parents who have provided such incredible support over the years; and, of course, we thank our children too – it has been a joy to be with you as you grow up and we wish you all the very best for the future.

With Kind Regards.
Great Bedwyn Scout Group Leaders and Committee