

# NEWSLETTER 10

19 November 2021 'Let us love one another, for love comes from God'

1 John 4:7

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

We've had another fantastic week at St John's! Between Odd Socks Monday and Strictly Sparkles Friday (Children in Need) , children have been learning so much and the energy around school has been amazing.

Having spent time in all of the classes, the children continue to amaze me with their enthusiasm for learning. Whether they are learning about people who help us in Elephants or investigating reflective materials in Panda's class the children show us their sense of fun whilst demonstrating a love of learning.

Following communication from Dorset, we will continue with our current Covid measures where all whole school gatherings such as collective worship remain remote and staff wear masks as they move around the school. Thank you for your continued support and keeping us updated on family circumstances.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

Miss A Dufek Headteacher



## Pupil Voice

This week children have been taking part in our quest to create a chain reaction of kindness. Throughout the week children have told me the acts of kindness they have been spreading. Children have shared they have been helping parents at home, helping friends in school, tying each other's shoe laces, volunteering to do jobs in the classroom to help teachers and importantly saying kind words to one another.



If you haven't already, head over to our Facebook page to see fun pictures of our Odd Socks celebrating what makes us all unique.

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## What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, you should organise for your child to have a **PCR test** via the <u>NHS online portal</u> or by calling 119.

#### Symptoms of COVID 19

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

## Wellbeing



Place2be is a children's mental health charity, they have a great website with some brilliant resources on it. Place2be has just launched 'Parenting Smart' for all UK parents and carers of 4-11 year olds. The '<u>Parenting Smart</u>' site is completely free to use and access, full of tips and advice on a range of topics including transition to secondary school, meltdowns, and sleep difficulties.

## Half Term Value

Throughout this half term we will be reading and listening to Bible stories that illustrate **dignity**.

'Let the children come to me...for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.' Matthew 19.14

## Safeguarding and Online Safety

If you have any serious concerns about a child, particularly if you think they may be suffering or at risk of suffering harm, please share this information promptly with the Designated Safeguarding Lead Team. If you have a concern about a child outside of school hours please contact the following Local Authority out of hours services:

Dorset ChAD - 01305 228866 Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole (BCP) - 01202 738256

## We are an Operation Encompass school. To find out more, please follow the link here

# Dates for your diary

## November

Monday 15th November - Anti-Bully Week - Children to wear odd sock Friday 19th November - Children in Need - Strictly Sparkles Monday 29th November - Flu immunisation programme Tuesday 30th November - Christmas decoration afternoon

## December

Friday 10th December - Christmas Jumper Day - Chartwells school Christmas dinner Friday 10th December - Christmas Jumper Day - Santa Dash - Chartwells Christmas lunch Thursday 16th December - Christmas lunch and party day Friday 17th December - Christingle Service **(TBC)\*** - Last Day of Term

\* Parent/carer attendance will be dependent on the covid situation and advice at that time.



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