



Newsletter 5 6th October 2023

‘Let us love one another, for love comes from God’
1 John 4:7



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was great to see so many of you at the reading and phonics information meetings as part of ‘Books at Bedtime’ this week. The presentations can be found on the school website under Learning, Curriculum, Phonics and Reading - [link here](#). Thank you to Friends of St John’s for supporting this event with milk and biscuits. The children really enjoyed coming back to school in their pyjamas to listen to stories. Our volunteer Reading Buddies have met with Mrs Everton this week and will soon be meeting the class they will be reading with. They will begin reading with the children when we return from the half term break. The children loved reading to their Reading Buddy last year so we are pleased to offer this opportunity again. If you are interested in becoming a Reading Buddy, please contact the school office.

Best wishes

Miss Michelle Prince
Headteacher



Staffing Update

This week we have welcomed Mrs Norrish as a teaching assistant in Giraffes class.



Planet Wimborne Poster Competition Winner

Congratulations to Thomas in Y3 who has won a prize! There were over 200 entries in the recent poster competition. All entries will be on display in Wimborne library from Monday 9th October.

Parents Consultations

Parents consultations will take place after school on Monday 16th October and Wednesday 18th October. Booking for this will go live on Monday 9th October.

Friends of St John’s

On Friday 20th October, Friends of St John’s will be hosting the popular school cake sale to raise funds for the school. This time around they are trying something new with a ‘Pop up Cuppa and Chat’. From 14:30 there is the opportunity to come and have a cup of tea/coffee along with cake before the chaos of school pick up. All cakes, bakes, teas and coffee will be 50p. There will also be a uniform sale at the same time, all items 50p or £1.



Inclusion

If your child is on the school SEND register, you will have received correspondence from Mrs Guy last week regarding our new online system of sharing children's individual support plans. This will ensure plans are unique to each pupil's needs, reviewed more regularly and shared effectively with your child's next school to allow for smooth and successful transitions. Both you and your child will have opportunities throughout the year to contribute towards the plan. As always if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in contact.

Musical Theatre Club

Children in Year 3 and Year 4 have been enjoying learning songs from Matilda at Musical Theatre Club. There are spaces available if you would like your child to join.

"The acting is my favourite part and I would like to do some shows soon. It's really fun, even better than I thought it would be!" Ocean Y4



"I really like the warm ups and the games." Ella Y4

"I like it because the dances and the songs are really good." Joanie Y4

Attendance



Well done Giraffes and Dolphins!

 	
Class Weekly Attendance	
for Week beginning 25 September 2023	
Elephants	95.8%
Giraffes	99.3%
Dolphins	99.3%
Pandas	90.4%
Snow Leopards	94.2%
Whole School	96%

Dates for your diary

October

Friday 13th October

Five Loaves Bakery will be offering bread on the school premises for a small donation.

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Friends of St John's Planning Meeting

Monday 16th and Wednesday 18th October

Parent Consultations - Booking will go live on Monday 9th October

Wednesday 18th October

East Dorset Year 3, 4 and 5 Fun Run at St Michael's Middle School 3:45pm (see parentmail for details)

Friday 20th October

Cuppa and Chat - Cake Sale

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October - Half Term Break

Monday 30th October - INSET Day

December

Thursday 14th December

Christingle Service and last day of term

Friday 15th December - INSET Day

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