



Newsletter 22

1st March 2024

'Let us love one another, for love comes from God.'

1 John 4:7



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for attending parents consultations this week. I know that the teachers enjoyed the opportunity to talk to you about your children's learning, share their progress and discuss their next steps. It was also lovely to hear lots of positive feedback from our families. As always, thank you for your support.

On Wednesday, we enjoyed watching the second of our class worships. Pandas class led our worship and they told us all about different types of rocks. They even explained how fossils are formed through a very clear demonstration. It was great to see how enthusiastic the children were about their learning.

It was the Elephants' turn to have a visit from the dentist this week. The children enjoyed this very much and I heard lots of them talking about it on the way out of school on Tuesday afternoon. The children were all given a toothbrush to take home with them. I hope the children have been able to show you that they know how to brush their teeth properly! The dentists wrote to us to say, "Thank you for being such a warm and welcoming school for us while doing our dental visits. We have really enjoyed the visits and we hoped the children did too!"

Hopefully, we will have some sunnier days this weekend.

Best wishes

Miss Michelle Prince
Headteacher

Half Term Value - Justice

Justice is doing the right thing. Deciding the right thing to do can be difficult. Sometimes life is complicated and there can be two sides to an argument. That is when we need wisdom.

"Learn to do right; seek justice." Isaiah 1:17

Deciding the right thing to do may take time. The words 'learn' and 'seek' in our words of wisdom suggest that we need to learn all that we can about a situation and then seek a wise solution.



School Council Campaign

The School Council have asked everyone to design posters to encourage people to recycle, use the correct bin and not to litter. If you would like to design a poster, please do this on an A4 piece of paper (you can bring some home from school if you need to) and bring it in by Friday 8th March. The School Ambassadors will take some of these to the next Wimborne Town School Council (made up of representatives from all Wimborne schools) as this was an area that they discussed in their last meeting. The School Council will also choose some to display around the school grounds as we have noticed there is currently a lot of litter nearby.



Class Worship



Giraffes Class Worship for parents will take place in the school hall on **Tuesday 5th March at 9:00am**. Please ensure you have checked the dates below to check when your child's class worship will take place. Elephants class worship will be in the summer term, date to be confirmed.

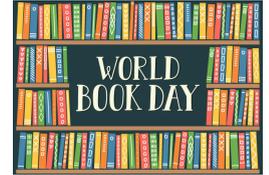


Friends of St John's

Thank you to the Dolphins and Snow Leopards for your donations to the cake sale. We raised just over £100!

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book day (including dressing up) on **Friday 8th March** at St John's as that is when we have our book fair and illustrator visit.



To make the day feel special, we would like to invite the children to come into school **dressed up** as either their favourite author or book character on **Friday 8th March**. Please do not feel pressure to purchase a new outfit for this event. Fair Ground - the Wimborne Fair Trade Shop are offering a range of free pre-loved fancy dress items. The children are also welcome to bring in their favourite book to share with others.

Friends of St John's will be hosting a book fair on **Friday 8th March** straight after school at 3.15pm. Featuring:

- Martin Brown, illustrator of the Horrible Histories series
- A selection of new books for sale from Scholastic and Usborne
- Put your £1 book token towards a new book
- A second hand book stall where you can grab some bargains

If you have any children's books suitable for Reception to Year 4, then please bring them into school for the second hand book stall. A trolley will be out for them w/c 4th March.

Thank you for your support.

Health and Safety

We have very limited space on our coat pegs in school. These are really only big enough for children to hang their drawstring P.E. bag and their coat. There is an increasing number of rucksacks being brought into school which unfortunately we do not have the space to accommodate. We understand that children may need to bring extra clothes if they have an after school club but we request these be in a small bag and only on the days required. Keeping items on pegs to a minimum reduces the chances of children's belongings falling off and becoming lost. Thank you for your support.

Attendance



Well done Dolphins!

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 5th March 9:00am

Giraffes Class Worship for parents

Wednesday 6th March

Snow Leopards Trip - Marwell Zoo

Friday 8th March

World Book Day Activities

Book Fair

Tuesday 12th March

Experience Easter at the Minster for Year 3

Wednesday 13th March 9:00am



Class Weekly Attendance

for Week beginning 26 February 2024

Elephants	85.7%
Giraffes	97.7%
Dolphins	98.3%
Pandas	97.6%
Snow Leopards	95.3%
Whole School	94.8%

Snow Leopards Class Worship for parents

Thursday 21st March

School Council and Worship Team visit Harleston House

Wednesday 27th March

Easter Service 1:45pm in Church - everyone welcome

Thursday 28th March

INSET Day

Friday 29th March - Sunday 14th April Easter Holiday

Monday 15th April

Back to School

Tuesday 14th May

Class Photographs

Friday 14th June

Grandparents' Afternoon

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