



Newsletter 30

15th May 2026

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

1 John 4:7



### Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

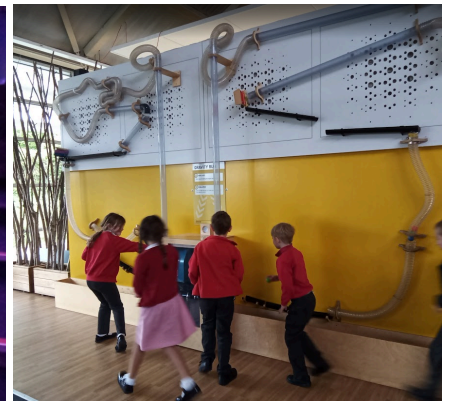
A huge well done to everyone who entered the Sir David Attenborough 100th Birthday card competition organised by Planet Wimborne. The creativity on display was truly inspiring, with many entries featuring wonderful illustrations of the natural world and thoughtful messages. There were over 500 cards from the local schools! It was a fitting tribute to a man who has done so much to protect our planet. Thank you to everyone who took the time to enter and celebrate this incredible milestone!

We are excited to announce that Lydia (Pandas) won a prize in the First School group. This is an outstanding achievement and her award was personally presented by the Mayor of Wimborne. Congratulations!



The Worship Team led our church worship this week. They chose the songs, acted out the Bible story and read the prayer. It was wonderful to see some of our youngest children confidently acting and speaking in front of the whole school.

The Pandas enjoyed their trip to the Winchester Science Centre, providing a fantastic opportunity to bring their science curriculum to life. The day's standout feature was undoubtedly the Planetarium. Seated beneath the impressive 360° dome, the children were treated to an immersive tour of the solar system. This cinematic experience allowed them to visualise the vast scale of the universe and explore the planets in extraordinary detail, sparking a high level of engagement and questioning. The children also took part in an exciting 'Blast Off!' experiment! After teaming up to construct their very own rockets, the groups held a launch competition to find out which design could travel the furthest.



For more photographs, please see the [gallery page](#) on the school website.

Clare, from Little Green Change, came in to talk to us about jobs in plant growth today. The children learnt about jobs that include growing food, gardening, floristry, creating new habitats, teaching, designing new gardens and being a plant scientist. Then she worked with the School Council from Pandas and Snow Leopards to make an incredible insect hotel in our forest school garden.



Best wishes  
Miss Michelle Prince  
Headteacher

Congratulations to these children who have gone above and beyond and **sparkled** this week:

Elephants: Aria and Teddy  
Giraffes: Harrison and Teddy  
Pandas: Carter and Eve  
Snow Leopards: Aria and Esther



### Half Term Value - Friendship

Our worship this week was inspired by the wisdom of St. Paul:

"Encourage one another and build each other up." (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

We explored how true friendship acts like a construction project. Just as a building requires time, perseverance and commitment to rise, our relationships grow stronger when we choose kind words. The children all thought of encouraging words they could use to build each other up.



## Join the Bournemouth Daily Echo School Token Collect Competition!

Calling all schools in the Bournemouth Daily Echo circulation area! We are thrilled to announce our exciting token collect competition, designed to bring our community together and support local education. This is a fantastic opportunity for schools to engage students, parents and the wider community in a fun and rewarding challenge.

### Prizes:



- 1st Prize: £1,000 Amazon Voucher
- 2nd Prize: £500 Amazon Voucher

**How to Win:** The school that collects the most tokens per pupil will be the winner. For example, 50 pupils collecting 6,000 tokens is equivalent to 100 pupils collecting 12,000 tokens. This ensures that every school, regardless of size, has an equal chance to win. All tokens must be returned to schools no later than Friday 3rd July 2026.

### Attendance



Well done Pandas!

	
<b>Class Weekly Attendance</b> for Week beginning 11th May 2026	
Elephants	90.7%
Giraffes	97%
Dolphins	93.1%
Pandas	97.7%
Snow Leopards	95.6%
Whole School	94.9%

### \*\*New Dates\*\*

#### Dates for your diary

#### [What's on this week](#)

#### Monday 18th May

Elephants trip to Dumpton School

#### Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Half Term Holiday

#### Monday 1st June

Children return to school

#### \*\*Y4 Multiplication Tables Check starts\*\*

#### Friday 5th June

Dolphins trip to Russell-Cotes Museum

#### Monday 8th June

#### \*\*Y1 Phonics Screening Check week starts\*\*

#### Thursday 11th June

Year 4 Class Photo

#### Friday 12th June

Sports Day (afternoon)

#### Friday 19th June

Summer Picnic (after school)

#### Tuesday 7th July

Giraffes trip to Travellers Rest Farm

#### Wednesday 8th July

Rocksteady Concert 10:00am

#### Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th July

Year 4 Leeson House Residential Trip

#### Wednesday 22nd July

Last Day of Term

Year 4 Leavers' Service in St John's Church

# DAILY ECHO

## Help Your Local School WIN EQUIPMENT!

Get ready to participate in our exciting token collect competition and help your school stand a chance to win amazing prizes.

# Collecting Tokens Here

Drop your tokens to reception!

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Collect tokens printed in the Bournemouth Daily Echo from Monday 11th May until Friday 3rd July 2026.



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