



**Newsletter 6**  
**12th October 2023**

**'Let us love one another, for love comes from God'**  
**1 John 4:7**



### Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very exciting week! Giraffes had a lovely morning walking around Wimborne on Monday. They enjoyed a tour of the Minster, stained glass inspired art and a Bible story. The Year 4 Playground Leaders attended a workshop to learn new games that they will lead at playtimes. On Thursday, the Worship Team led their first Church worship. They chose the songs for us to sing and acted out the story of Jesus calming the storm. The School Council and School Ambassadors officially opened the new M&S Food Store in Wimborne. They had a tour of the store before any customers arrived and they met Percy Pig! Thomas (Year 3) was awarded his trophy and book voucher for winning the Planet Wimborne poster competition. He enjoyed a special tea party that was held at Wimborne Library for all the winners. All of the children that entered the competition will receive a certificate and their posters are currently on display in the library.

Best wishes

Miss Michelle Prince  
Headteacher



Please see our [website](#) for more photographs.

### Staffing Update



Mrs Anderson will be leaving St John's on Friday 20th October. She has worked at the school for many years and will be greatly missed. We thank her for all of her hard work and dedication to the role. We wish her all the best for the future. We will inform you about the future arrangements for teaching assistant support in Year 4 as soon as possible.

### Parents Consultations

Parents consultations will take place after school on Monday 16th October and Wednesday 18th October. Booking for this went live on Monday 9th October. The teachers are looking forward to discussing your child's progress with you.

### Cauliflower cards

Children are bringing home Christmas card designs in their book bags this week, which you have the chance to order as Christmas cards, gift labels, wrapping paper, mugs or notebooks. As well as being a fun opportunity for children and families, this is also part of Friends of St John's fundraising.

Should you wish to purchase any items, please make your order and payment online using the unique code located at the top of the pupil order form which the artwork is attached to. Refer to your order form for further instructions. Once you have placed your order on-line, please return the whole order form to your child's class team or the school office. **The deadline for receipt of order forms back in school is Friday 20th October 2023.**

### 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 2:30pm 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. Cakes will also be on sale as usual at the end of school at 3.15pm. This time we are asking parents/carers of Pandas and Giraffes classes to bring in cakes. We would greatly appreciate some home baked or shop bought goodies (cakes, biscuits, brownies, flapjacks etc). Please remember NO NUTS. If you would like to contribute, please bring your bakes to school on Friday 20th October at morning drop off. Many thanks.



### Kids with bricks

We are pleased to be able to offer our Kids With Bricks after school club running from 3:15 - 4:15pm every Wednesday from 1st November 2023. This club is open for Years 1-4. To book a place, please see the link [here](#).

### East Dorset Y3 & Y4 Fun Run

Year 3 and 4 are invited to enter the EAST DORSET FUN RUN on Wednesday 18th October at St Michael's Middle School. Children can enter either as an individual runner or as part of a school team. Teams are 3 runners of the same gender from the same school. The fun run will be approximately 1km. Year 3 and 4 will compete together. Please arrive at 3.45pm at St Michaels Middle School. You can use this [form](#) to enter an individual or school team.

### 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. We have now opened this up to children in year 2 to join.

#### Attendance



*Well done Dolphins!*

#### Dates for your diary

##### **October**

##### **Friday 13th October**

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

##### **Friday 13th October**

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)



**Class Weekly Attendance**  
for Week beginning 2 October 2023

Elephants	94.5%
Giraffes	98.7%
Dolphins	99.3%
Pandas	94.8%
Snow Leopards	91.9%
Whole School	95.9%

**Friday 20th October**

Cuppa and Chat - Cake Sale and Uniform Sale

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

**Monday 30th October - INSET Day**

**November**

**Friday 24th November**

Year 4 visit Allenbourn Middle School

**December**

**Thursday 14th December**

Christingle Service and last day of term

**Friday 15th December - INSET Day**

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