



Newsletter 21 23rd February 2024

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



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! On the last day before the half term break, each of our Sparkle Time Clubs gave a short presentation about what they had achieved over the last few weeks. Every child gained new skills and some children even made something they could take home with them. We listened to the recorder club play Happy Birthday and looked at photos of what the gardening club had been up to, including planting bulbs. We watched the body awareness club perform balances and were amazed by the animations created by the computer club. We looked at pillows made by the textiles club and listened to book reviews from the book club. We learnt about food hygiene from the kitchen club and saw a range of models made by the Lego club. Art club showed us their masterpieces and told us about the artists they had learnt about. The sign language club showed us how to sign letters, greetings and colours. The children have now chosen their new Sparkle Time Club for this half term which they will start today.



Mrs Struck has been busy collecting *even more* resources for the Sparkle Time Gardening Club! Stewarts have very generously donated a raised bed grow kit and a variety of seeds. Thank you!



On Tuesday, Giraffes and Dolphins had a visit from the dentist. The children learnt about how to prevent cavities and how to brush their teeth correctly.



Best wishes

Miss Michelle Prince
Headteacher

Half Term Value - Justice



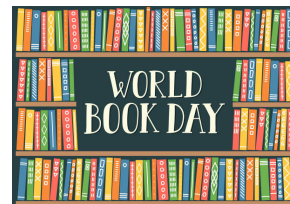
In worship this week, we started to think about our new half term value of justice.
Is justice always about treating everyone exactly the same? Or is it a bit more complicated than that?

Class Worship



Pandas Class Worship for parents will take place in the school hall on **Wednesday 28th February 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.

World Book Day



We will be celebrating World Book day on **Friday 8th March** at St John's to tie in with 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.

Clubs

We still have spaces available for Kids with Bricks (Wednesdays) and also for our brand new Gymnastics club (Mondays). Please see the links below in order to book a place.

Kids with Bricks

<https://www.kidswithbricks.com/online-store/St-Johns-Church-of-England-First-School-Wimborne-Dorset-Spring-Term-2-2024-Wednesday-p594112504>

Gymnastics

<https://www.foundation-sports.com/dorset>

Parents Consultations

Parents Consultations will take place next week. Appointments can be made through Parentmail and the bookings are now live.

Attendance



Well done Dolphins!

Dates for your diary

Friday 23rd February

Cake and Pre-loved Uniform Sale

Tuesday 27th February

Dentist Talk for YR

Parents Consultations (Y1-4) 3:30pm-6:30pm

Wednesday 28th February



Class Weekly Attendance
for Week beginning 19 February 2024

Elephants	97.9%
Giraffes	97.1%
Dolphins	99.2%
Pandas	97.5%
Snow Leopards	94.6%
Whole School	97.2%

Pandas Class Worship for parents 9:00am

Parents Consultations (YR-4) 3:30pm-6:30pm

Thursday 29th February

Parents Consultations (YR only) 3:30pm-6:30pm

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

Snow Leopards Class Worship for parents

Thursday 2st March

School Council and Worship Team visit Harleston House

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