



Newsletter 25

27th March 2026

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

1 John 4:7



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had great fun at the Axis Extra Mile Obstacle Run last weekend. Thank you so much for joining us! We managed to raise approximately £500 for the school, with many of the school children taking part and dragging their parents, carers and siblings around several laps of our obstacle course. We loved the sense of community at the event, with each child being cheered on by name and volunteers of all ages to help in abundance (particularly if they got to throw paint and squirt water at the teachers 😊).

If you enjoyed the Extra Mile event, there is another local one coming up after the Easter break at Brothers Farm in Stapehill BH21 7ND on Saturday 25th April. Entries are now open and you can book your spaces via the website. [Events | Axis Rdy Ltd](#) If your child particularly enjoyed the running part of the event then please note that there are still spaces on the Run Academy on Thursday afternoons. These sessions can be booked on a pay as you go basis with a free trial for the first session. Use code FIRSTFREE. [Axis Run | Axis Rdy Ltd](#)



A huge well done to the Dolphins class for speaking so clearly and with such confidence in their class worship on Tuesday. It was clear that they have enjoyed learning about our wonderful world! We especially loved their song about the continents which I know many of you have been listening to at home too. Thank you to the parents and carers who joined us to celebrate the children's hard work.



The Giraffes enjoyed their second visit to Wimborne Library this week. They had a wonderful time listening to the librarians reading them a story called Bumble Bear by Nadia Shireen and they found out more about how libraries work and where to find different types of books in the library. They were also told about the exciting events the library is holding during the Easter break such as craft and Lego activities. The Giraffes were then able to choose a library book to take home. It was wonderful to see the children choosing their books so carefully and with so much enthusiasm. We can't wait to visit again!



The School Council, Worship Team and Ambassadors enjoyed an afternoon of reflection and song with our friends at Harleston House on Thursday. Each child and resident held a palm cross, using the tactile shape to focus their prayers. We also explored the symbolism of the egg, explaining how it represents the empty tomb and the hope of new life. The children performed a series of Easter songs, bringing smiles (and a few tapping toes!) to the residents. A huge thank you to the staff and residents at Harleston House for welcoming us so warmly.

We wish everyone in our school community a peaceful and happy Easter!

Best wishes
Miss Michelle Prince
Headteacher

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

Elephants: Heidi and Harry
Giraffes: Ameer and Leila
Dolphins: Phoebe and Harriet
Pandas: Henry and Dylan
Snow Leopards: Sienna K and Alejandro



Half Term Value - Forgiveness

How does the Christian value of Forgiveness, which we are focusing on this half term, link to the Easter story?



🚧 Have Your Say on Road Safety Outside St John's CE First School 🚧

Wimborne Minster Town Council are inviting feedback from residents, parents and all road users about road safety on St John's Hill, outside St John's CE First School.

Your views will help them understand support for a proposed 20 mph speed limit, aimed at improving safety for children, families and pedestrians in the area.

This is an important opportunity to help shape a safer environment for everyone who uses this road.

👉 Please take a few minutes to complete the survey and share your thoughts at the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/JjQGx8X2nb>

Thank you for helping us make our community safer.

Puppets on Display!

For their DT project, Dolphins created puppets of their everyday heroes. These will be on display at the Museum of East Dorset in Wimborne from 6th April. Please take a look!

Reminder

You are invited to your child's class worship in the hall where the children will lead a presentation about what they have been learning. Please see the dates for these below.

Class Worship - in the hall

Date	Class
Tuesday 21st April 9:00am	Elephants
Tuesday 28th April 9:00am	Giraffes

Jewellery

We do not encourage the wearing of jewellery in school for health and safety reasons, although simple stud earrings are permitted. Traditional wristwatches are acceptable, however, smartwatches and novelty/toy watches are not allowed in school.

Toys

We kindly remind all parents and carers that toys are not permitted in school. This is to prevent damage, loss or distress caused by items being broken or misplaced and to ensure children are fully focused on their learning throughout the school day. We appreciate your support with this.

David Attenborough Birthday Card Competition

To celebrate the 100th birthday of Sir David Attenborough on 8th May 2026, Wimborne Town Council and Planet Wimborne are inviting local children to take part in a birthday card competition.

Children are encouraged to design and draw a card celebrating Sir David's remarkable life, his work with nature documentaries, and wishing him a happy birthday. All entries will be displayed in an exhibition at Wimborne Library.

The idea is that children will design and draw a birthday card that reflects David Attenborough's achievements in his 100 years as well as wishing him a happy birthday!

- Cards should be any size
- They can be paper or cardboard
- They should include the name, school and year group on each card

Please bring the cards into school by Friday 24th April 2026.

A judging panel will award book prizes and certificates to the top three entries in each school phase. Winners will be announced by the Town Mayor at a small celebration on 8th May at 4pm, with parents, teachers, and pupils warmly invited to attend.

Attendance



Well done Pandas!

Dates for your diary

[What's on this week](#)

Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April

Easter Holiday

Monday 13th April

INSET Day - no children in school

Tuesday 14th April

Children return to school

Tuesday 21st April

Elephants Class Worship 9:00am

Snow Leopards Library Visit

Friday 24th April



Class Weekly Attendance

for Week beginning 23rd March 2026

Elephants	84.3%
Giraffes	92.3%
Dolphins	93.7%
Pandas	94.7%
Snow Leopards	94.3%
Whole School	91.8%

Bring a Bloom Day

Tuesday 28th April

Giraffes Class Worship 9:00am

Friday 1st May

Snow Leopards trip to Marwell Zoo

Monday 4th May

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 5th May

Elephants Library Visit

Wednesday 13th May

Pandas trip to Winchester Science Centre

Monday 18th May

Elephants trip to Dumpton School

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Half Term Holiday

Monday 1st June

Children return to school

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



GO THE EXTRA MILE!

One Mile Obstacle Run

Saturday 25th April 2026

Brothers Farm, Wimborne

HAVE A BLAST AT OUR OBSTACLE COURSE MADE FOR EVERYONE!

**Tickets:
£5**

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