



Newsletter 7

16th October 2026

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

1 John 4:7



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Books at Bedtime event finding out ways to support reading at home. The children thoroughly enjoyed returning to school in their pyjamas to listen to stories! You can find Miss Beckett's presentation along with useful resources on our school [website](#).

We would like to extend a special thank you to:

- Allen Valley for the milk donation
- Tesco Fleetsbridge and Ferndown for their generous donation of biscuits
- The Friends of St John's for supporting the event and organising the children's refreshments

Our newly appointed Playground Leaders have recently taken part in leadership training. During the interactive session, pupils learned how to lead engaging games, organise active play, foster teamwork and ensure every child feels included and supported during break times. We are so proud of our young leaders for stepping up into these roles and look forward to seeing the positive impact they will bring to playtimes across the school!



Our Year 4 School Council members and School Ambassadors had the exciting opportunity to visit the Town Hall for the Wimborne Youth Town Council. They proudly presented creative ideas for transforming the newly refurbished phone boxes in the Square!



We were very pleased to receive a visit from [Perform](#) on Tuesday 13th October. The children had a wonderful time exploring the theme of Superheroes using drama, dance and singing to help develop their confidence, concentration and social skills.

To complement the workshop, there is a free educational app for iPhones and iPads based around the theme of Superheroes. It contains fun games, creative tasks and videos of the themed songs and dances. Click [here](#) to download it free or [here](#) to find out more about the Superheroes theme.

Perform run regular weekly classes in the local area and they are offering a special introductory discount to all parents of St John's First School if they come along for a free trial session before Wednesday 2nd December. To claim your discount, just call Perform on 020 7255 9120 quoting JOHR021226 or book a Free Trial Session online at perform.org.uk/try.

The nearest Perform class to the school:

[Perform Wimborne](#)

Mondays at 4pm

Wimborne Methodist Church

4a King Street,

BH21 1DY

There are others too. Click to find all the nearest [here](#) or view a list of [all areas](#).

We were thrilled to record the children singing on Thursday for 'Christmas at Our Place', an original charity single by Chris White and Vocalize choir raising money for Amelia's Rainbow. The song and music video will be released across streaming platforms and social media on 16th November.

Best wishes

Miss Michelle Prince

Headteacher

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

Elephants: Lottie and Poppy

Giraffes: Tammy and Ziggy

Dolphins: Billie and Mya

Pandas: Olivia W and Oscar W

Snow Leopards: Freya and Skye



Half Term Value - Thankfulness

The Worship Team led Church worship this week with the story of Noah's Ark. We thanked God for the rainbow in the sky reminding us of His love, hope and promises.



Community Complaint: Avenue Road

We have received reports regarding St John's pupils repeatedly pushing bikes into, and kicking, a local resident's gate and fence. Despite direct conversations between the resident, the children and their parents, the behaviour has continued and the gate has now had to be replaced.

Please ensure your children respect our neighbours and local property when travelling to and from school.

Cake Sale

The Friends of St John's will be holding an end of term Cake Sale on Friday 23rd October, at 3:15pm in the school hall.

All items will be priced at 50p. CASH ONLY.

These fundraising events simply can't happen without your support and generosity. We are kindly asking all year groups to bring either homemade or shop bought cupcakes, cookies or tray bake style cakes into school on the morning of Friday 23rd October where there will be a red trolley outside the office to leave these in. (Please remember NO NUTS)

Thank you so much for your support!

Easyfundraising

Raise money for school without spending any money or time!

- 1) Install the easyfundraising app
- 2) **On the same day**, sign up to support St Johns CE First School, Wimborne

For every 10 people who sign up in October we will get a £50 donation for school! Please consider signing up and getting family and friends to do so.

You can continue using easyfundraising afterwards whenever you shop online to raise money for school.

With just a handful of us using it this last year we have raised over £500 😊

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app/?causeId=358524&utm_campaign=oct-parent-app&utm_source=pmc&utm_medium=whatsapp&utm_content=parappealwa1

Reminders:

Please book your **Parents' Consultation appointment** on Arbor.

The deadline for ordering School portraits with Fraser Portraits is **Friday 30th October**

Attendance



Well done Snow Leopards!

****New Dates Added****

Dates for your diary

What's on this week

Friday 16th October

Five Loaves Bakery

Tuesday 20th October

Y1 Wimborne Walk

Parents' Consultations 3:30pm - 6:30pm

Wednesday 21st October

Y4 Trip to Ancient Technology Centre

Thursday 22nd October

Parents' Consultations 3:30pm - 6:30pm



Class Weekly Attendance

for Week beginning 12th October 2026

Elephants	95%
Giraffes	94.2%
Dolphins	94.1%
Pandas	94.2%
Snow Leopards	98.7%
Whole School	95.3%

Friday 23rd October

Cake Sale after school

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

Half Term Holiday

Monday 2nd November

INSET Day (No children in School)

Friday 20th November

Disco

YR and Y1 3:15pm - 4:00pm

Y2, Y3 and Y4 4:15pm - 5:00pm

Tuesday 1st December

Flu Immunisations (for invited children)

Friday 4th December

Decoration Morning and Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 9th December

Christmas Show 9:30 - 10:30am

Thursday 10th December

Christmas Show 9:30 - 10:30am

Friday 11th December

Christmas Show 1:45 - 2:45pm

Five Loaves Bakery

Wednesday 16th December

Christmas Party Day

Friday 18th December

Christingle Service at St John's Church 1:45pm

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TRY A FULL
CLASS FOR
FREE



Confidence Building **FUN**

We loved seeing your child shine at our
Perform drama workshop today.
And guess what, it's just the beginning...



Play is a **POWERFUL THING**

Perform classes help boost children's **confidence, concentration, coordination** and **communication** skills, as well as being lots of fun.

Our expertly designed drama, dance and singing sessions for 4-7s and 7-12s are run by experienced teachers, hand-picked for their warmth and approachability.

They'll be with your child every step of the way – inspiring and encouraging them to develop vital life skills as they discover the joy of performing.

“I cannot recommend these classes enough! It has done wonders for my children's confidence, self-expression and social skills.” ***** Maria Smith

What does Perform offer?

- Performing arts-based games and exercises
- Focus on a different social skill each week
- Small classes and feedback on your child's progress
- Specially created scripts, videos and apps
- End of term presentation for family and friends

Try a **FREE CLASS** at your nearest venue

Perform Wimborne

Mondays at 4pm (4-7s), 5.05pm (7-12s). Wimborne Methodist Church, 4a King Street, BH21 1DY

Perform Bournemouth

Tuesdays at 4pm (4-7s), 5.05pm (7-12s). St Augustin's Church Hall, Wimborne Road, BH2 6NU

Perform Ringwood

Tuesdays at 4.15pm (4-7s), 5.20pm (7-12s). Greyfriars Community Centre, 44 Christchurch Road, BH24 1DW

Until 2 Dec, new joiners can use JOHR021226 for a £40 introductory discount.

BOOK A FREE CLASS

Your child's first class is free, so why not give it a go? Find your nearest class online or call us:

perform.org.uk/d4a
020 7255 9120

