



Newsletter

Welcome to the first edition of our joint schools newsletter. Each month, a newsletter containing information, news and celebrations from across our schools will be shared with you.

It has been a great start to the year. This term has flown by. The children have settled so well and lots of great learning has been seen. Also, a warm welcome to all our new children and families.

Have a wonderful half term holiday and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 5th Nov.

Mr Woodward (Headteacher)



The **Archbishop of Canterbury** is visiting our school!

We are all very honoured and excited for this special opportunity. During the Archbishop's visit we will celebrate in a special church worship and show him how God's love has enriched our school community.

Please pray for his safe arrival and that he enjoys his time with us.



[Click here for a newspaper article about his visit](#)



DIARY

Monday 28th October -

Friday 1st Nov 2024

Half term Holiday. School Closed

Monday 4th Nov

Staff Training Day. School Closed

Tuesday 5th Nov

Children return to school

Weds 6th Nov

Year 2 Kestel Class - Pizza Express visit

Thurs 7th Nov

9.30am: St Clement's Open Morning for Pre-school children starting school in 2025

Mon 11th Nov - Fri 15th Nov

Anti-bully week
(more details to follow)

Tues 12th Nov

Bethany School
9am Parent Coffee Morning

Weds 13th Nov

Individual photos day

Fri 15th Nov

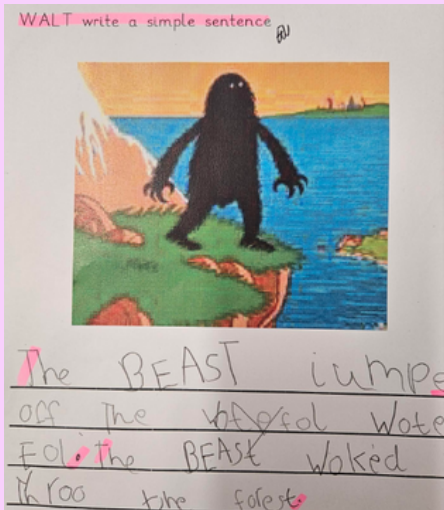
Children in Need day
(more details to follow)

Fri 20th Dec

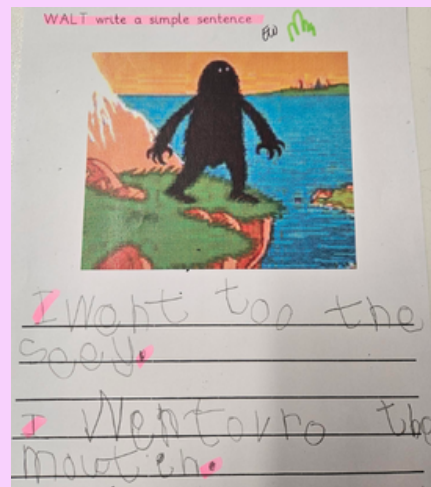
Final day of school
St Clements finishes at 1.15pm
Bethany finishes at 1.30pm

LET'S CELEBRATE..

Year 1



Year 1 have been exploring a book called 'The Lonely Beast'. They have produced some super writing and artwork as part of the learning. Well done!



Christmas Card Orders



The children have been busy making Christmas pictures. These have been turned into digital art by a company called 'IQ Cards'.

You will receive an information card with your child's picture and instructions on how to order online.

Attendance Matters

ATTENDANCE

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

How do YOU measure up?

Percentage	Days	Weeks	Lessons
100%	0 Days	2 Weeks	56 Lessons
95%	10 Days	4 Weeks	112 Lessons
90%	20 Days	6 Weeks	168 Lessons
85%	30 Days	8 Weeks	224 Lessons
80%	40 Days	10 Weeks	280 Lessons
75%	50 Days	13 Weeks	364 Lessons
70%	60 Days	15 Weeks	420 Lessons
65%	67 Days	15.5 Weeks	462 Lessons



Parking



Remember to respect the neighbours of our schools. DO NOT block driveways, park on yellow lines or on pavements. If you can, please walk to school.

Thank you

Healthy Lunchboxes

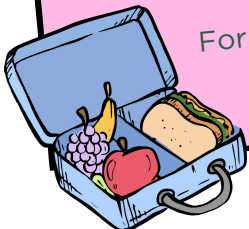
It is really important that children have a lunch each day that is full of foods that will fuel their brains and bodies in a healthy way. Remember to include something filling like a sandwich or pasta, several portions of fruit or vegetables as well as some dairy and protein.

We are NUT FREE schools. Do not include anything containing nuts. This includes nutella spread.

Please do not include sweets or chocolates. Children should have water, juice or milk for lunch. No fizzy drinks please.

For ideas look at this website:

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>



New School Values

Thank you to everyone who has already shared their opinions on which 3 new values we should have for our schools. If you have not yet completed the survey, please use this link to include your thoughts:

<https://forms.office.com/e/vwsbxZ9pkT>





What the SLUSH?!

There is an ingredient in SLUSHIES called **GLYCEROL**

which can cause:

- LOW BLOOD PRESSURE
- VOMITING
- SEVERE LOW BLOOD SUGAR
- HEADACHE
- and even • LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS

THIS DRINK COULD PUT YOUR KID IN HOSPITAL



DON'T PANIC

Your family can continue to enjoy this delicious treat if you follow this simple advice:

1. If your child is under 4 years old weighs less than 17kg (2st 9 lbs) they should not be given slushies at all
- OR
2. Children under 10 years old shouldn't be offered refills
3. Children who show signs of glycerol intoxication should be monitored closely and taken to hospital if these symptoms persist or get worse:
 - Irritability • Dizziness
 - Tummy pain • Nausea
 - Vomiting • Racing Heart
 - Unusual sleepiness
 - Diarrhea • Headache



The weather is getting colder!

Please make sure your child has a named coat each day.

If they bring hats, scarfs or gloves - these must also be named



Thank you

St Clement's Bump Notes

Children who get any kind of injury or bump to the face or head at school will bring home a green bump note and an email will be sent to parents.

We will no longer be sending a text message.

Thank you



Firework Safety

Over the coming weeks many families will be having celebrations which may include the use of fire in the form of candles, sparklers, bonfires or fireworks.

Please help keep everyone safe by:

- Keeping matches and lighters out of reach of children
- Keeping children away from candles, especially if wearing fancy dress which may not have the same fire safety standards
- Follow the fireworks code
- For a chance to win a VIP trip to a DWFRS Fire Station, a Blaze bear and a Lego or PlayMobil Emergency Services set enter the prize draw with your child.



Visit Dorset & Wiltshire Fire Service | Pumpkins, Bonfires and Fireworks (dwfire.org.uk) for further safety information and the prize draw.