



St Clement's & St John's Infant School Newsletter



May 2026

Thought for the month



Facebook page

We will use it to share information and celebrate children's learning.

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~Empowering children with God's Hope for the future, Compassion for others and the Courage to act.~

Message from our Headteacher Mr Woodward

We have had a wonderful half term of learning. The children have enjoyed first hand experiences such as the farm animals visiting the school, baby chicks hatching and Year 2s visit to Monkey world.



Next term there will be lots of fun in the sun (hopefully!) and we will be preparing the children for their new classes in September. Have a lovely half term holiday.

Times of the Day



School Starts at:

8:45am

School Ends at:

3:10pm



A Sad Farewell

Mrs Torrens has worked across St Clements & Bethany Schools for 26 years. She has given so much of her love and career to supporting the children and families at our school. She will be leaving at the end of the summer term in July.

Mrs Shrimpton will be leaving St Clements at half term (last day Friday 22nd May) for a year sabbatical to another CLP school. She will be taking on the role of Headteacher at Wareham St Mary's Primary School. We wish her lots of luck in this role and look forward to welcoming her back to St Clement's in 2027!



If you are concerned about a child's welfare or worried they are being abused:

Call: 01202 123334

Email: childrensfirstresponse@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Out of hours

Call: 01202 738256

Email: ChildrenOOHS@bcpcouncil.gov.uk



Diary Dates

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| Weds 20 th May | Year 2 trip to Monkey World | Thurs 18 th June | Class Photos |
| Thurs 21 st May | Family Worship at St Clement's Church. 2.30pm | Weds 15 th July | Sports Day - all year groups at Kings Park Athletics Track |
| Mon 25 th - Fri 29 th May | Half Term Holiday. School Closed. | | |



Bedtimes

It is so important that children get enough sleep each night. It helps them to grow and to have good concentration the next day. It also gives you, as parents, some time to yourselves!



| AGE GROUP | AGE RANGE | RECOMMENDED HOURS OF SLEEP |
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| Newborn | 0-3 months | 14-17 hours |
| Infant | 4-12 months | 12-16 hours per 24 hours (including naps) |
| Toddler | 1-2 years | 11-14 hours per 24 hours (including naps) |
| Preschool | 3-5 years | 10-13 hours per 24 hours (including naps) |
| School Age | 6-12 years | 9-12 hours per 24 hours |
| Teen | 13-18 years | 8-10 hours per 24 hours |

Some top tips to help:

Don't let your child watch phones or tablets for at least the hour before they go to sleep.

Instead have some quiet time before bed, reading, drawing or playing a game.

Keep to the same routine each night.

Keep the bedroom dark / dimly lit.

Holidays and Term Dates

Half Term:

Monday 25th - Fri 29th May

Summer Holiday:

Thurs 23rd July - Thurs 3rd Sept

Next years term dates link:

<https://shorturl.at/OK9GE>

End of Year service

Tuesday 21st July 2.00pm at St Clement's Church

Year 2 Eucharist Service

Monday 20th July 1.15pm at St Clement's Church

Year 1 Road Safety



Year 1 had great fun learning about how to stay safe when near roads. They learnt how to choose safe places and routes to cross the road as well as how to cross safely between parked cars.

Thank you so much to all the parent helpers who volunteered their time to support. You are amazing!

Great Learning to Share

Little Oaks had great fun seeing the farm animals who came to school. There were sheep, goats and pigs and a donkey.

Their topic this term is 'Creatures Great and Small' and this experience allowed the children to discover, in real life, the animals they have been learning about. Describing what they look like, feeling their skin and hearing the noises they make.



Half Term Holiday Fun Ideas



- Visit the library. What is your favourite book?
- Bake a cake. Read the recipe, weigh the ingredients and enjoy eating it!
- Get a skipping rope. Learn to skip.
- Go on a Bear Hunt at the local woods. Can find any other animals?
- Write your own story. Make it into a book and bring it to school to share with your friends.
- Do something kind for someone. Maybe you could help put the shopping away or hang out the washing.
- Play a board game.
- Climb a tree!



Online Game Idea

This website is free to use and has some great fun reading games.

www.teachyourmonster.org/



SIGNS YOUR CHILD'S SCREEN TIME MAY BE TOO MUCH

A helpful guide for parents to notice key behavioral changes.

| EMOTIONAL OUTBURSTS | DIFFICULTY TRANSITIONING | DECLINING INTERESTS | SLEEP PROBLEMS | SNEAKING SCREEN TIME | SOCIAL WITHDRAWAL | FALLING GRADES | PHYSICAL COMPLAINTS |
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| Increased irritability or tantrums when screens end. | Trouble moving to homework, outdoor play, or conversations. | Less enthusiasm for hobbies and activities they used to enjoy. | Trouble falling asleep, waking up tired, or bedtime resistance. | Engaging in usage secretly or lying about screen time. | Preferring online interaction over in-person friendships. | Reduced attention span and declining performance at school. | Frequent headaches, eye strain, or neck and back pain. |



COFFEE MORNING

Parent Coffee Morning + PSHE Sex Education Information



Thursday 21st May 9am @ St Clement's

Please come along to our coffee morning. An opportunity for you to chat with staff and other parents in a relaxed and friendly setting.

Importantly on this occasion - Mrs Wills will be available to talk to any parents of children in **Year 1 and Year 2** about the **Sex Education** curriculum at St Clement's and explain what your children will be learning this term in their Jigsaw PHSE lessons.

Please come along to find out more. You do not need to sign up, just come along.