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

October 2026

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

## Thought for the fortnight




## Message from our Headteacher Mr Woodward



This will be my last newsletter as Headteacher of St Clement's and St John's Infant School. I have had the most amazing 19 years working in the school and across both sites. I started as a newly qualified teacher and leave proudly as the Headteacher. Thank you for all the wonderful moments and memories and for allowing me the privilege of knowing and watching your children grow. They are all so special and you should be very proud of the wonderful little learners they are.

I wish you all the very best and hope to pop in and say hello soon.

## We welcome our new Headteacher after half term: **Miss Harries**



Miss Harries is looking forward to getting to know our school community and helping us to continue our learning journey.

## Times of the Day



School Starts at: **8:45am**

School Ends at: **3:10pm**



**Facebook page**

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

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## Diary Dates

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| Thursday 22nd Oct | No Family Worship today. Service on Friday instead. | Friday 6th Nov | Year 1 and Year 2 children enjoy a Brass Trio Performance at school. |
| Friday 23rd Oct | Mr Woodward's leavers service at St Clement's Church 2pm.<br><br>Last day of this half term. Children finish school at the usual time of 3.10pm | Monday 9th + Weds 11th Nov | Parents Evening for Children in Year 1 and Year 2.<br><br>Please look out for the email inviting you to book a meeting with your child's class teacher. |
| Monday 26th – Friday 30th Oct | Half-term Holiday. School Closed | Tuesday 10th Nov | Individual Photos taken. Each child will have their photo taken. |
| Monday 2nd Nov | INSET day. Staff training. School closed for children. | Monday 16th Nov | Anti-bullying week starts.<br><br>Odd Socks Day (more info to follow) |

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## Great Learning to Share

The Year 2 children had a wonderful experience visiting Avon Health Country Park. Even though the venue for the educational visit changed last minute (due to electrical problems near Moors Valley) the Team 2 teaching team created a wonderful day for the children. They had the opportunity to explore, observe and discover. Well done for being great role models Year 2 and representing St Clement's so well.





## Individual Photographs

The children will have their individual photos taken on Tuesday 10th November

Please make sure your child is wearing correct uniform that day and looks photo ready!

These photos will be available for you to buy, if you wish, at a later date. The company will provide you with all the details.

## Attendance Matters

It is really important that children come to school regularly and on time.




## Parent / Carer Coffee Morning

Come along for a relaxed drink and chat on Tuesday 17th November: 9-9.45am

Meet other parents and chat to staff.
All Welcome.




## Harvest Food Donations

Thank you so very much to all the parents who donated food or items to our collection for the Foodbank. You are so generous and the Foodbank were so thankful. You have made a difference!




## 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 more information and safety tips, visit the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue website: www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safety-at-home/seasonal-advice/fireworks/

## Nurse Drop in Session



Wednesday 18th November 2026

The school nurse will be in school from 9-10.20am. She will be available to talk to anyone who would like advice or support with things such as getting your child to sleep better at night, toileting issues, eating concerns and medical conditions such as allergy or asthma advice.

If you would like time to talk to the school nurse about anything please contact the school office to book a time slot.



As part of Anti-bullying week (16th - 20th November), we invite children to come to school wearing **ODD SOCKS on MONDAY 16th NOVEMBER**. This helps children celebrate differences and uniqueness. We will send more information soon.

## Phonics Fun at Home

Have a go at this game. Choose the level that your child is currently working at.

www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/2/buried-treasure

Reminder..

**Map of wet hometime collection points for each class**

