



Weekly News

29th September 2023



'Live a Life of Love Just as Jesus Loved Us' Ephesians 5

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Another week has flown by. It was lovely to see so many of you at the Hedgehogs and Year One reading workshops this week. If you were unable to attend, the slides are available in the class pages on the website.

Today the marquee was erected for the winter months and it is a great space for p.e lessons, drama lessons and much more. We will also be using the marquee for wet playtimes. However we try, wherever possible, to provide the children with fresh air outside so please do ensure your child has a warm, waterproof coat at school which is named. A spare pair of socks is also useful and if children are also wearing hats and gloves please also name these.

I know many of you have booked tickets for the Badbury Glow event and we very much look forward to seeing you there this weekend!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

With warmest wishes

J Hancock

Mrs Hancock

Half Term Value



We will be demonstrating our value of 'Generosity' at our Harvest Festival Service on Friday 6th October at 9.30 a.m in the church. If you are able to make a donation to the Wimborne Foodbank your food donations will make a big difference to local families.

There will also be a Harvest Festival on Sunday 1st October in the church at 10.30 a.m. All families are very welcome.



There are still some tickets left for the 'Escape to the Med....' on 13th October at 7p.m. at the Horton and Chalbury Village Hall.

Another wine tasting evening hosted by Award winning wine writer and local, Gabby Stone (see flyer attached).

Expect a great selection of wines from areas/ varieties you might not be familiar with, along with tapas-style food, fun games, auction and raffle. All funds raised will go to our two local first schools - Witchampton and St James- along with supporting our local churches.

Pack your carry on, don your sunglasses and strap yourself in for a great tour!

Tickets available from:

Witchampton Village Shop or email wvc@gmail.com or from: Karen Pearce 07881628672 Victoria Yardley/ Gabby Stone/ Fiona Read/ Marilyn Sadler

Open Days

Our open days are taking place next week. If you know of anyone looking for a school place please let them know. The dates are as follows:

Tuesday 3rd October at 1.45 p.m until 2.45 p.m

Wednesday 4th October from 9.30 a.m until 11.30 a.m

Thursday 5th October from 9.30 a.m until 11.30 a.m

Thank you to all of you who have offered to help on these days and thank you to everyone who has helped us prepare our wonderful school grounds.

E-Safety

The children watched the *Speak out. Stay safe*. Assembly online and delivered by the NSPCC yesterday. More information can be found at www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout.

The children in Badgers and Foxes are also learning about keeping safe online as part of their computing curriculum this term. Information for parents in all year groups to learn more about keeping safe online can be found at: <https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/parents-and-carers>

Attendance

Inition Learning Trust now has a new attendance page which provides useful information regarding attendance. The link can be found [here](#). Additional information can also be found in our attendance policy.

This week's attendance figures look like this - well done everyone!!

Reception: 98.2

Year 1: 92.5

Year 2: 98.2

Year 3: 100

Year 4: 98.4

Dates W/C 29/09/23

Monday 2nd October - Outdoor Explorers for Reception and Year One
Cooking at Dragonflies

Tuesday 3rd October - Nasal Flu Vaccinations 9:15
Piano/Guitar and Ukulele
Open Afternoon 1.45 p.m
Art at Dragonflies

Wednesday 4th October - Open morning 9.30 a.m
Craft at Dragonflies

Thursday 5th October - AFC Bournemouth for Badgers and Foxes.
Singing Lessons
Open Morning 9.30 a.m
Hockey at Dragonflies

Friday 6th October - Harvest Festival 9.30 a.m in church

Safeguarding and Online Safety

Mrs Hancock is the Designated Safeguarding Lead and Miss Hancock is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead in School.

If you have any serious concerns about a child, particularly if you think they may be suffering or at risk of suffering harm, please share this information promptly with the Designated Safeguarding Lead Team. If you have a concern about a child outside of school hours please contact the following Local Authority out of hours services: Dorset ChAD - 01305 228866 Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole (BCP) - 01202 738256 We are an Operation Encompass school. To find out more, please follow the link [here](#)

The NSPCC provides online safety advice for parents and for children. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Data Protection

We are committed to protecting the privacy and security of personal information. Our Privacy Notice for parents and pupils can be found in the [Policies and Documents](#) area of our website. This privacy notice describes how we collect and use personal information about pupils, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), section 537A of the Education Act 1996 and section 83 of the Children Act 1989.