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25/11/21

Newsletter

Dear Parents,



More sporting success

Following on from our victorious performances at Tag Rugby and Handball, I am very pleased to report that we won our first football match of the season this week. Our squad beat Blandford St Mary 5-0, with 3 goals from Henry G, one from Ellis O and one from Marley F and plenty of near misses from other members of the team. It was a great game to watch, with the boys using all of the space to string together some lovely series of passes, and Ellis continually crossing in ball after ball from the left hand side. Well done all!

It has been a lovely week in school. At playtime this morning, lots of the children were enjoying sweeping the leaves in the sunshine on the top playground; Seahorses have had a lovely time in the forest and Stephen Gilham came into lead assembly on Wednesday. Mrs Saint has sadly been off sick, but Sharks have worked really hard without her.



Children from breakfast club enjoying playing in the leaves

New staff and old staff



On Tuesday, we appointed Trudi Vick as our newest Breakfast Club supervisor. Trudi is an old friend of Durweston – her son Jamie, left 2 years ago, and she has also worked in Handy Paws. She will be joining Lelde from the 13th December, making sure our children get a brilliant start to the day.





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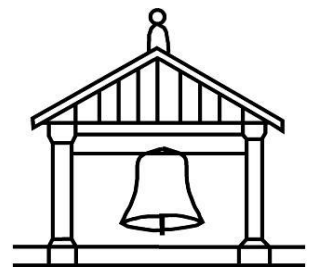
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I am also delighted to let you know that Mrs Plummer is back with us. She is going to be returning to teaching Orcas (year 2) maths from next week and from January, she will be teaching maths to year 5s (Seals) as well.



Children in Need

A huge thank you to Macy for organising the sweet sale on Friday and for all those who helped and who bought sweets. You raised an amazing £143!



More fundraising

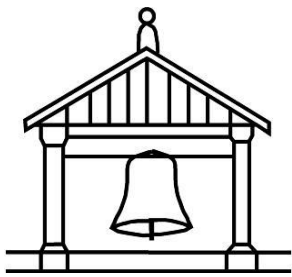
Sharks are holding a cake sale next Friday to help pay for the trip they went on last week. If you would be able to donate some cakes, please let the office know. Don't forget to bring your 50p on Friday!

Attendance

Looking much good this week, despite the coughs and colds amongst the staff. The government are pushing schools to improve attendance again. However, if your child is poorly, we would much rather they stayed at home until they are well again.

Class	Attendance this week (should be 96% +)	Whole school this week	Whole school this year (we need 96%+)
Starfish	92.55%	96.81% 😊	95.86%
Dolphins	96.67% 😊		
Seahorses	98.26% 😊		
Sharks	99.17% 😊 😊		
Porpoises	95.77%		





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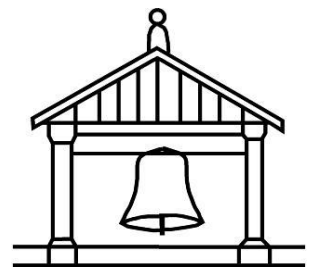
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Christmas is coming!

Don't forget the Yuletide festival is next Friday. Those we know are attending will be making lanterns on Thursday afternoon. **We're also sharing home learning on Friday – make sure your child/children have their work in school on Friday morning please.**

Have a super weekend

Nicola Brooke



DATES FOR THE DIARY *New dates added in bold*

Every Friday, 9.30am – 11.30am

Tuesday 30th November

Friday 3rd December

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Monday 6th December

Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th December

Sunday 12th December

Tuesday 14th December

Wednesday 15th December

Wednesday 15th December, 6pm

Thursday 16th December

Friday 17th December, 1pm

Monday 3rd January **2022**

Tuesday 4th January

Wednesday 5th January

Handy Paws Toddler group

St Andrew's Day

Home learning on display in classes

Sharks class cake sale

Blandford Yuletide Festival

Last week for clubs

Christmas shop and grotto

Carol Service, St Nicholas, Durweston

KS1 nativity

Local Food Links Christmas dinner

KS2 Carol Service

Handy Paws and Starfish Christmas activity day

END OF TERM

BANK HOLIDAY

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CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

