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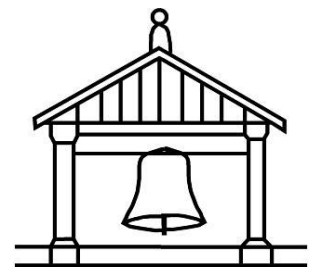
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Dear Parents,

A short newsletter this week - I started writing at 10pm last night and then got a bit distracted!

Election Fever

We've been voting in school this week. Starfish held a Teddy election on Wednesday. Four teddies presented their manifestos that the children then discussed. One promised sweets to voters; another that hard work would be rewarded by the chance to choose a library book to take home. Who do you think the children chose? We won't know until the result is revealed this morning.



The rest of the school have been voting on names for the new guinea pigs (who will arrive in school once we are sure that their home is sufficiently weather proof). No exit poll predictions are currently available, though some of us are hoping that the vote for Mr Snuffles lives up to the hype that has been surrounding his campaign.

Looking ahead

We've got a busy half term ahead of us with lots of exciting things planned. In the staff room, we have been discussing end-of-term gifts. Staff really appreciate the many of you who bring presents in at the end of term and we know that the children love bringing them in. However, we were wondering if there was any mileage in setting up class funds instead/as well? We could set them up on SIMS Agora so that there was a fund for each class. The idea would be that parents could make donations and the money raised could be used to help buy things the class needs or to help fund a trip. A good idea or too mercenary, what do you think?



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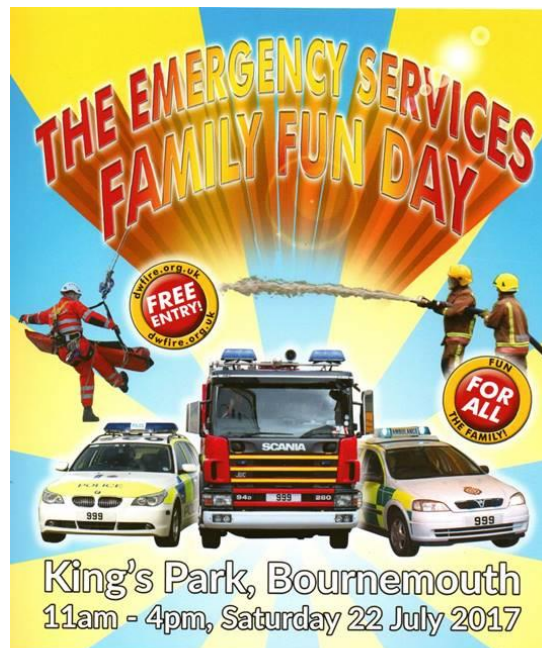
Say it with flowers

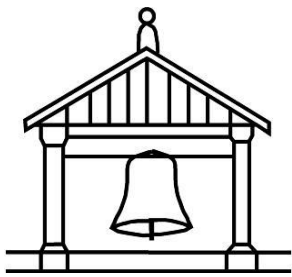
Many, many thanks to Sara Alfazema who replanted the hanging baskets over half term. If you spot that they're looking thirsty, do come and let me know - don't want to lose them again! They will also need respite care over the summer if anyone is interested.

Attendance

The good news just keeps on coming!

Class	This Week	Whole school this week	Whole school this year
Starfish	94.32% Poor	96.45% Very good 😊	96.21% Good!
Dolphins 😊	92.86% Poor		
Seahorses 😊	99.46% Outstanding		
Sharks 😊	98.21% Outstanding		
Porpoises 😊	97.41% Outstanding		





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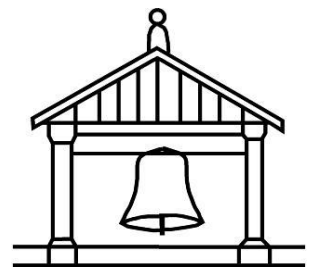
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And that is all I have for this week. Next week we have Governors' meeting on Tuesday and someone from the authority coming in to look at how we're doing; Porpoises are out at a language day at Clayesmore on Wednesday and the year 1s will be doing their phonics screening; Thursday we're interviewing for a new SENDCo as sadly Mrs Proyer is leaving us and then it will be Friday again.

Enjoy your weekends.

Nicola Brooke
Acting Headteacher

Dates for Your Diary

New dates added in bold

Tuesday 13th June, 12pm

Wednesday 14th June

Tuesday 20th June

Thursday 22nd June, 9.15am

Friday 23rd June

Tuesday 27th June

Wednesday 28th June, 9.15am

Monday 3rd July, 6pm

Wednesday 5th July

Friday 7th July

Monday 10th July

Tuesday 11th July

Wednesday 12th July

Monday 17th July 3.30 - 6pm

Tuesday 18th July, 2pm

Thursday 13th July

Thursday 20th July

Friday 21st July

Yr4 North Dorset Tennis Games at Shaftesbury

Porpoises Language Day at Clayesmore School

Seahorse class Farm trip

Dolphin class Assembly

Sports Day

Class photographs

Seahorse class Assembly

Parent information evening for new Reception class

Transition day (more details to follow)

Sports Day (wet weather alternative date)

Last week for clubs

School production, matinee performance

School production, evening performance

Optional Parents' Evening

Paddleboat Theatre present 'Rustle'

Year 6 Leavers Treat

Swimming Gala at QE - Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6

END OF TERM

