

Friday Round Up!

24th January 2025

School Vision
*Rooted and Growing in Love:
A culture of kindness in which all can flourish
(Ephesians 3 & 4)*

This week we have had our School Improvement Advisor in to do her routine check on the school and to see how things are going. It is always a slightly nerve-wracking day as she scrutinises planning, books and looks at the quality of teaching across the school. She also has the opportunity to chat with some children and I was so proud of the group who she talked to, they were able to describe favourite pieces of work, talk about their classroom experience and engaged really well with her. She was very complimentary about the behaviour and attitude of all pupils across the school. I'm also delighted to say that she was very pleased with the opportunities for learning the children are getting in class and as always I thank the fantastic team of teaching staff and TAs who facilitate this learning.

Speaking of learning we are now in the thick of the spring term. Kites have had an exciting week looking at using coding modules to make an accessible doorbell and a dimmable light. They have also been looking at sugar in our food. Owls are involved with a lovely art project linked with the Snowdrop Festival in Shaftesbury. This runs in the week up to and over half term and we are hoping some of the children's art work may be displayed. They have also completed some excellent writing linked with our Hub joint writing project. There is an air of competition between Doves and Owls over this although I can report that both classes are doing amazing writing. I was delighted to see in Wrens how well they are progressing with forming numbers, they work so hard and enthusiastically at this. Robins are learning about the United Kingdom and also looking at taste testing to see which part of the tongue tastes what, I know the bitter chocolate was not popular!

Mrs Rumney and her Forest Rangers would like to thank Tom and his Dad who kindly gave up free time to repair our very old shed. We are really grateful that they have stopped it from leaking so badly to protect all of the resources that have been collected.

On Wednesday next week we have a dance workshop for all children, can the children please wear PE kit into school for this. If they have Forest school please wear clothes suitable for both activities! This afternoon you will have seen and email about a Dyslexia Workshop provided from county. We hope that you have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing the children safe and sound on Monday. Fingers crossed the storm passes us by.



Important Term Dates

January 2025
Weds 29th: Dance workshops from TLW
Fri 31st Jan: FOSS after school play at East Knoyle (mental health week)

February 2025
Fri 7th: Foss film night
Fri 14th: Valentine's cake sale
Half Term: Mon 17th - Fri 21st February

March 2025
Weds 5th: Books at bedtime 5:30pm - 6:15pm
Thurs 6th: World Book Day

New dates will be added throughout the term

Doves help!

Please does anyone have the following for Doves?
Donations of
biodegradable plant pots,
sunflower seeds and plant
fertiliser for the Doves
Science experiments.

Thank you

Congratulations to our School Values Award Winners:

Wrens: Amelia and Rose
Robins: Ronnie C and George C
Doves: Linus and Daisy
Owls: Elivia and Archie
Kites: Ludo and George

Lots of children are doing really well with their reading hitting 25, 50, 75 and 100 nights. Well done and keep going!