

Friday Round Up!

17th January 2025

School Vision

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

This week I have had a celery experiment going on in my office courtesy of Doves who had a lovely time watching the food colouring progress up the celery stick. It was lovely to see them working collaboratively on this experiment. They also had a small wriggly visitor in the shape of a lamb puppy, what a lovely treat and surprise! Wrens enjoyed listening to Alex from Shaftesbury library reading them a story about a kitchen disco! It was really exciting for them to have a visitor into school. A little while ago I mentioned that we would be taking part in a collaborative writing project with our Hub school, St Johns, Hindon and Wardour, this was introduced to the Owls and Doves class this week. This is a really exciting opportunity and we will look forward to sharing the work that the children complete around this. I have included some pictures of Doves collecting inspiration from around the school grounds. I have seen the imaginative words that Owls have written on their classroom as a starting point.

Thank you for all your responses about Wraparound Care. I attended a meeting on Wednesday with the group of schools who we will be working with to discuss a few of the points raised. I realise that we won't be able to make this perfect for all. The reason we need to hold this at the Nadder Centre rather than in Shaftesbury is that we are Wiltshire school. In terms of costs the companies are working out the finer details. As soon as there is an offer that I can discuss I will of course email you the details. I can report though, that this may well be starting much sooner than September.

Wrens are very much enjoying their PE at the moment and got the big apparatus out in the hall. I have also enjoyed watching some of the hockey skills that coach Luke is teaching the children currently.

On Thursday the children listened to the Rail safety talks, Wrens Robins and Doves in one talk and Owls and Kites in the other. Apparently a train can take up to 20 premier league football pitches to stop (although you may want to fact check me with Kites!)

We wish you a happy weekend and look forward to seeing the children safe and sound on Monday.



Important Term Dates

January 2025

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

February 2025

Friday 7th: Foss film night
Friday 14th: Valentines cake sale
Half Term: 17th to the 21st February

This term we have started off the collective worship thinking about Creation and the Creation story. We will think about this in relation to other religions next week. As always we relate all of our stories to the Values of Semley School.

New Year same problem! Please be aware we have had an outbreak of nits in school. Can you check your children over the weekend and treat if needed. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Congratulations to our School Values Award Winners:

Wrens: Isadora and Rupert
Robins: Henry A and Isaac
Doves: Holly, Ralph and Tobias
Owls: Belle and Albie
Kites: Alice and Grace

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