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Newsletter 2 – 15th September 2023

Class News

Nursery	- have been busy making bird cakes and hanging them in our forest area!
YR	- have been learning all about our senses – ask us if we can remember what our 5 senses are!
Y1	- have loved finding out facts about the Victorians
Y2	- have been finding out about how to keep ourselves healthy and how important it is
Y3	- enjoyed their first recorder lesson this week and have already been practising at home!
Y4	- have loved exploring and testing simple circuits as part of their Science topic on Electricity
Y5	- loved celebrating 'dot' day and enjoying Book Buzz!
Y6	- have loved our first Book Buzz session!

Dear Parents,

Here at St Ives we are passionate about reading and more importantly, reading for pleasure. Do you believe in the Power of Reading?

Did you know that reading for pleasure is more important for children's cognitive development than their parents' level of education and is a more powerful factor in life achievement than socio-economic background? 16-year-olds who choose to read books for pleasure outside of school are more likely to secure managerial or professional jobs in later life.

So let's start these lifelong habits early and nurture reading for pleasure as an ingrained ethos in our young people now.

Book Buzz:

Every week, we are introducing "Book Buzz" to our timetable to get the children "buzzing about books". This will be an opportunity for children to talk freely, informally and spontaneously about books with their friends and to make recommendations. Keep an eye on Seesaw as your child's class teacher may set homework to help with the running of "Book Buzz" sessions. Follow our new twitter page @BookBuzzStives to see weekly updates of these sessions in action.

We have lots of exciting book events coming your way this year. Watch out for:

- Books @ bedtime
- Reading book trails
- Sponsored bookathons
- Local library visits
- Dress up day events
- And much much more!

New book releases:

Our lovely Reception TA, Mrs Crisp, has also just released her newest book "The Absurd Ladybird." Congratulations Mrs Crisp- what an inspiration to our children. The launch of her new book is going to be celebrated at Gullivers Farm, West Moors, on Saturday 23rd September. For more details please visit www.gulliversfarmshop.co.uk/absurd-ladybird We would love to see you down there for what promises to be a fun, jam packed day out for the family.

Reminder:

Reception & KS1 should only be bringing their book bags into school. NO backpacks please.

Value of the week – Kindness

The whole school has taken part in learning about Democracy and subsequently have taken part in the election process of Team Captains. Congratulations to:

Red team: William
Amelia
Blue team: Alice
Zac

Green team: Ryan
Neve
Yellow team: Kayden
Keira



Ambassadors

Congratulations to:

Sports: Thomas Bo Keira Jenson Zac S Georgia	IT: Alice Lula William Oscar Alex Zac Mason	Science: Timo Henry M	Maths: Ryan Joseph
Reading: Kayden Olivia Bea Neve	Art: Isla Jess Emily Leo Theo Manel	Music: Ted Harry C Reggie Sadie-May	

Online Safety

Almost half (46%) of 8- to 11-year-olds in the UK play online video games with people that they don't necessarily know, while 55% of parents of young gamers worry that their child might be pressured into making expensive in-game purchases.

Most children find gaming immensely enjoyable, but its volume of potential risks – and capacity to influence behaviour – often make it problematic for parents. This week's guide suggests some sensible ground rules for promoting safer, healthier gaming habits.

PE Kit Days –

Reception	-	Monday & Friday
Year 1	-	Monday & Friday
Year 2	-	Monday & Friday
Year 3	-	Thursday & Friday
Year 4	-	Thursday & Friday
Year 5	-	Monday & Thursday
Year 6	-	Monday & Thursday

Dates for Diary

September

18 th	School led clubs start
19 th	Flu Immunisations Bags2School
25 th	Y3 class trip Tutankhamun museum

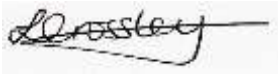
October

13 th	SISA 'Break the rules' day
W/C 16 th	Parent consultations

20th INSET Day
30th School reopens

November
9th Individual School Photographs

Yours sincerely,



Mrs L Crossley

Headteacher

