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Class News

- Nursery - we have gone back in time to the dinosaur era with our prehistoric safari. We have also enjoyed our dance session this week and making dinosaur fossils
- YR - had a wonderful WOW day baking Mummy Bear's porridge oat bites and starting a gummy bear experiment
- Y1 - have loved being super mathematicians and developing their problem-solving skills
- Y2 - have loved their visit to Mexico on WOW day and finding out about a different culture
- Y3 - have thoroughly enjoyed their WOW day, which included smoothie making and a piece of collaborative art!
- Y4 - have had a super WOW day!
- Y5 - had an amazing time visiting the Titanic on our class WOW day
- Y6 - have loved having dance with Emily this week

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I trust everyone had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed the sunshine. Well done to the Y6 girls football team who took part in the East Dorset Football Shield Cup. They were amazing and represented the school with such pride.

Value of the week – Independence

War on Waste has been the theme of our assemblies this week. We welcomed in a speaker from East Dorset who talked to the school about recycling and how we can clean our planet.



Online Safety

In recent years, group chatting has grown considerably in popularity with the introduction with a range of different platforms. Data from the USA, for example, reports that – whether they're using WhatsApp, Snapchat, Facebook Messenger or any other platform – almost half (44%) of the 18–34 age bracket take part in at least one collective online conversation every day. This is relevant because, of course, the schoolchildren of today are the 18–34s of tomorrow. Online group communication will facilitate their blossoming social lives and expanding friendship networks. This week's guide will help you to prepare young people for participating in online group chats safely and compassionately.

Subject Update – Music

At St Ives we offer each child the opportunity to perform, compose, listen, appreciate and evaluate music from a wide genre. Children are able to explore different musical instruments and performance opportunities throughout the year groups. We are always looking for ways to enhance the opportunities further and are pleased to confirm that during the summer term, children in Year 3 will be learning to play the recorder. There are many benefits that learning to play a musical instrument brings, such as: developing music reading and aural skills, improving hand-eye coordination, advancing fine-motor skills, as

well as building resilience and perseverance. We hope that this early opportunity to learn a musical instrument will provide the children with the basis for learning additional instruments as they progress throughout the school. We are sure the children will thoroughly enjoy learning their new instrument.

SISA Updates

- Bags 2 School - The next collection is the **Tuesday 7th of June** at 9am
- SISA Summer Fair – **Saturday 25th June**

Please note new PE Kit days:

YR	- Tuesday & Friday
Y1	- Monday & Friday
Y2	- Wednesday & Friday
Y3	- Monday & Friday
Y4	- Tuesday & Friday
Y5	- Tuesday & Friday
Y6	- Wednesday & Friday

Dates for Diary

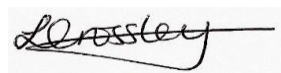
May

2 nd	May Bank Holiday
5 th	Class & Leavers photos
9 th	KS2 SATs week
18 th	National Numeracy Day
25 th	Heath Run
27 th	Last day of term

June

6 th	Jubilee Day – School closed
7 th	Swimming starts

Yours sincerely,



Mrs L Crossley
Headteacher



We're working towards Artsmark Awarded by Arts Council England