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Newsletter 6 – 10th October 2025

Class News

- have been enjoying lots of Autumnal activities including pumpkin painting and making pumpkin soup! Nursery - have been learning about people who help us in the community exploring the doctors role play, making YR Lifeboats and testing vehicle speeds - have loved looking into the artist Paul Klee and creating their own versions of his famous painting 'Castles Υ1 and Sun' Y2 - explored the Jewish festival of Yom Kippur and enjoyed learning about the celebrations involved! Υ3 - enjoyed learning about the importance of scarab beetles and making their own amulets **Y4** - have loved writing persuasive speeches in literacy Y5 - have enjoyed learning about where Vikings came from and why they settled here in the UK Y6 - enjoyed toasting bread in Forest School this week

Dear Parents,

An incredible week of learning and curriculum engagement, the children are constantly learning, it really is a joy to see.

We waved goodbye to our first group of Spanish students and look forward to welcoming our next group. It is the perfect opportunity to practise our Spanish!

Myhappymind

As part of their myhappymind learning, all classes from Nursery to Year 6, are currently completing the 'meet your brain' module learning about their brains and how to look after them. Please see the attached letter about the parent app you can download in order to support your children at home and fully embed their learning.

Parent Consultations

You will have received the letter today regarding Parent Consultations on Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st October. **Bookings will go live on Monday (13th) at 10.00am.**



Raffle Donations – last call!

Thank you so much for all donations received so far. If you are able to provide us with any raffle prizes for our annual Trust conference, they would be very gratefully received. Please can we ask for any items to be handed into the office by Wednesday 22nd October? Many thanks for your support.

Value of the week – Happiness

Within our assembly theme Black History Month we have learned about Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela and the influential figures they were and are now. We also welcomed Stephen Gilham who talked to the children all about gratitude. He also fed back how attentive and engaged all the children were. Well done!

Online Safety

With over 900 million monthly users, Snapchat continues to be a favourite among children and young people; however, with its ever-evolving features, the risks have evolved too. From Al-generated filters and chatbots, to disappearing messages and the Snap Map location-sharing tool, it's easy for children to stumble into unsafe territory. This week's guide breaks down the latest updates, including the Lens+ subscription service, and web browser access.

X (Twitter)

We regularly post pictures and updates via X (formally Twitter). If you would like to see what your child's class has been up to, please follow the X usernames below:

Nursery: @stivesprimaryYN Reception: @stivesprimaryyr Year 1: @stives_year1 Year 2: @stivesprimaryy2 Year 3: @stivesprimary3 Year 4: @year4stives Year 5: @stivesprimaryy5 Year 6: @stivesprimary6

Mrs Crossley: @stivesprimary

PE Kit days for September 2025

YR- Monday & Wednesday

Y1- Monday & Wednesday

Y2- Monday & Wednesday

Y3- Monday & Thursday

Y4- Wednesday & Thursday

Y5- Monday & Thursday

Y6- Wednesday & Thursday

Secondary School Applications -Closing date 31st October 2025

For those children that are due to be starting secondary school in September 2026, you can apply online at www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/apply-school-place

If you live in Hampshire please ensure you apply via Hampshire. www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions

School Starters 2026- Closing date 15th January 2026

Apply online: www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/apply-school-place

Dates for Diary

October		November	
20 th & 21 st	Parent Consultations (no clubs this week)	5 th – 7 th	Y4 Leeson House Residential
22 nd	SISA Halloween Disco	11 th	Individual Photographs
23 rd	SISA Break the Rules Day	12 th	Reception Open Evening 4.30 – 6.00pm
	Y3 Class Assembly	19 th	Flu Immunisations
24 th	INSET Day	28 th	SISA Christmas Fair
WC 27 th	October Half Term	20	313/ (3111341143) 411

Yours sincerely,

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