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Newsletter 4 – 25th September 2026

Class News

Nursery	- have been reading the Three Little Pigs and also talking about ourselves as babies and how we have changed.
YR	- have been learning about the 3 primary colours and exploring primary colours.
Y1	- have LOVED baking a classic Victorian cake this week during our DT learning!
Y2	- have enjoyed exploring why the fire spread so quickly through the city, during History.
Y3	- have loved exploring how fossils are formed and doing our own research in science.
Y4	- have loved creating our own circuits.
Y5	- have absolutely loved their time in the swimming pool this week making lots of progress in brilliant sunshine!
Y6	- have enjoyed natural shelter-building during their Forest School session.

Dear Parents,

Well done to all our Y5/6 children who represented the school in the East Dorset Cross Country at Canford School yesterday. As ever, they represented themselves and the school impeccably, showing real grit and determination.

Y6 Ambassadors

Well done to all the Y6 children who have been successful in being awarded Ambassador roles. We look forward to seeing the amazing work you will do throughout the school!

Value of the week - Respect

This week we have been talking about what respect means, why it is important and how we can show respect. We have been demonstrating respect through our marvellous manners, kind words and thoughtful actions towards each other.

Raffle Donations

St Ives along with all the other schools in our Trust, are holding our Annual Conference later next month. We are looking for donations of raffle prizes and would be extremely grateful of anything you may be willing to donate. For more information, please speak to the office.

PE Kit days for September 2026

YR- Monday & Wednesday
Y1- Monday & Wednesday
Y2- Monday & Wednesday
Y3- Monday & Thursday
Y4- Wednesday & Thursday
Y5- Wednesday & Thursday
Y6- Monday & Thursday



Online Safety

Discord is a hugely popular communication platform where young people can chat, play games and join communities built around shared interests. This week's guide explores some of the risks that can come with using it, including contact with strangers, inappropriate content, harassment and the potential for gaming and socialising to become a distraction from everyday life.

The guide also offers practical advice for parents and educators, from using Discord's Family Centre and checking privacy settings to talking openly about suspicious behaviour and reviewing spending controls. It also encourages families to agree on clear expectations around screen time, helping young people enjoy the platform while making safer and more informed choices online.

UPCOMING SISA EVENTS – INFO TO FOLLOW

Break the rules day	-	Friday 9 th October
Halloween disco	-	Wednesday 21 st October
Non-uniform day	-	Tuesday 1 st December
SISA Christmas Fair	-	Friday 4 th December

Benedicts Law

For your awareness new allergy safety requirements for schools in England under Benedict's law have been introduced this September. This has been initiated by the Department of Education after a 5-year-old boy, Benedict Blythe, died from anaphylaxis whilst at school in 2021.

Benedict's Law has introduced a series of protective measures designed to improve allergy safety in schools, which all schools now need to comply with as a legal requirement.

As a result, all the necessary measures are in place here at St Ives including, emergency Epi-Pens in school, staff training, an Allergy policy and a risk assessment setting out how we will manage allergy safety and respond to emergencies across the whole school.

Dates for Diary

October

9 th	Flu Immunisations SISA Break the Rules Day
13 th	Individual Photographs
21 st	SISA Halloween Disco
23 rd	INSET Day
WC 26 th	October Half Term

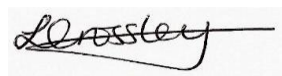
November

4 th – 6 th	Y4 Leeson House Residential
19 th	Y4 Assembly

December

1 st	SISA Non-Uniform Day (Hamper Donations)
4 th	SISA Christmas Fair

Yours sincerely,



Mrs L Crossley

Headteacher

Secondary School Applications – Closing date 31st October 2026

For those children that are due to be starting secondary school in September 2027, 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 2027- Closing date 15th January 2027

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

