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Newsletter 18 – 20th January 2023

Class News

- Nursery - have been fantastic weather forecasters this week, using their observation skills to tell everyone about the cold weather!
- Reception - have worked hard to find number bonds to 9 in the forest area this week!
- Y1 - have enjoyed comparing humans and animals and their senses
- Y2 - have embraced the idea of 'Happiness Heroes' and recognising acts of kindness in each other
- Y3 - have thoroughly enjoyed starting their new programming unit in their computing lessons where they have been learning how to code sprites in Scratch
- Y4 - have enjoyed learning stylistic qualities in dance linked to carnivals
- Y5 - loved recreating a river basin and identifying where the watershed would be during a Geography investigation (and even avoided getting wet!)
- Y6 - really enjoyed learning about effects and risks of legal and illegal drugs

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to the Y5/6 Girls football team who played in the county finals at Littledown. They represented the school impeccably showing great respect. Congratulations to Thomas F (Y5), Isla M and Jack C (Y6) for successfully competing in the County Cross Country competition yesterday. A special mention to Isla who finished 1st and Jack who finished 8th – well done!

Reminders/requests:

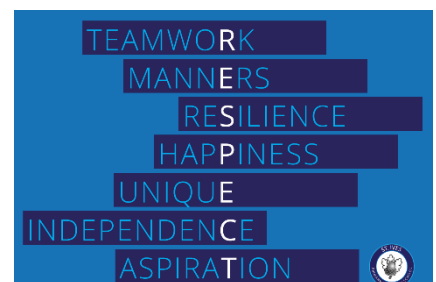
- Nursery are looking for donations of colourful accessories please – hats/headwear, scarves, gloves, glasses etc.
- If you have any spare boys pants, these would be gratefully received at the school office
- Reminder that water bottles should be clear and containing water only. If your child has an Air Up bottle please bear in mind the risk of misplacing/breaking these in school
- KS1 & Reception children – book bags only please, no other bags in school

Value of the week: Respect

We have been discussing our value of Respect this week and how different cultures and sports show respect through actions and gestures. We enjoyed celebrating Martin Luther King Day on Monday and discussing how influential he, along with others, was in shaping the world.

Subject Update - History

We are continuing to develop our understanding of the achievements and influence of black people from all cultures and countries around the world, as part of Black History month. Black History Month has been marked in the UK for more than 30 years. It highlights and celebrates the numerous achievements and contributions of the black community. This week, marked the anniversary of Martin Luther King's birthday, in our assemblies and classroom discussion; we looked at his unique influence on society and how his hard work to stand up for human rights and equality made a big difference. We learnt that his legacy is powerful. - Mr Stokes, History Leader



Weather Alert

We would like to remind everyone of the procedures involved should the weather conditions become dangerous and the school have to close. The school will notify parents using the text messaging service (please ensure the office has your correct mobile number) and details of school closures will be given by local radio stations (Wave and Solent in this area). If you don't hear anything presume the school is open!

Should the school need to close during the school day we will send a text message and unless we hear from you to say your child is allowed to go home with someone else we will wait for you to arrive and collect your child.

Please be prepared, send your child with a warm winter coat, hat, gloves etc. as we will be outside at playtime whatever the weather. If by any chance we do have snow, children will be allowed on the field and will need boots to wear outside.

NSPCC Number Day

On Friday 3rd February we will be supporting the NSPCC's Number Day. The children are invited to come into school wearing clothes that have a mathematical theme, e.g. displaying numbers, shapes, repeating patterns, etc. The children will be spending the day taking part in mathematical challenges and activities and will also be using their maths skills to do some baking. We will be asking the children to bring in a donation to support this very important charity. More information to follow.

Online Safety

There have been several major changes to Twitter since Elon Musk acquired the company last year, with some changes being made to the platform. With the ability to send Tweets with text, photos, videos, audio, links and much more, there are of course associated risks for our young people. This week's guide has tips on a number of potential risks such as trolls, bullying, fixation on view count and interaction with strangers.

Dates for Diary

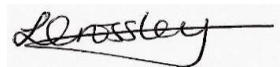
February

3 rd	NSPCC Number Day
9 th	Talent Show (SISA)
13 th – 17 th	Half Term Holiday
24 th	Closing date for Photography competition

March

W/C 6 th	Parent consultations
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Yours sincerely,



Mrs L Crossley
Headteacher



WIN!

The "SISAs Got Talent" Trophy

PLUS!

A movie afternoon for your class!

sisas  PTA
St Ives School Association

Proudly presents

ENTER
as a solo act,
group or both!

SISA'S GOT TALENT

SINGING ★ DANCING ★ MAGIC ★ MUSIC RECITAL ★ JOKES
Performances must be no longer than 2 minutes per act

THE HEATS *will be held in class on*
WEDNESDAY 1ST AND THURSDAY 2ND FEBRUARY
Top two acts from each class will be invited to perform at:

THE GRAND FINAL
9TH FEBRUARY AT 5:45-7PM
Audience ticket to the final **£2**

SISA'S GOT TALENT ENTRY FORM **£2 PER PERSON, PER ENTRY**

(eg a group pays £2 each and someone entering as a group and as a solo or part of another group pays £4)

Performer/group name.....

Year group.....

Act description.....

Media requirements (eg backing song/instrument etc)