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**Newsletter 7 – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

**Class News**

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| Nursery | - loved dressing up and 'wearing it pink'!   |
| YR      | - have been working so hard in phonics learning to blend sounds with some digraphs in! |
| Y1      | - have had fun finding objects that are transparent and opaque                         |
| Y2      | - have loved investigating hand spans in science this week                             |
| Y3      | - blew everyone away with our AMAZING class assembly!                                  |
| Y4      | - have enjoyed exploring who the Celts were and how they made iron in the Iron Age     |
| Y5      | - have enjoyed thinking about moments of profound happiness                            |
| Y6      | - have been learning about what life was like in the trenches during WW1               |

Dear Parents,

As we draw to the end of our first half term I am so impressed with how well the children have all settled back into school and the amount of progress they have made in their learning. Next week is parent consultations so please remember **NO** school led clubs, and Friday is an INSET day so it is a four day week!!!

Thank you for all your support for our 'wear it pink' day, the children looked amazing. Once all the money is counted we will let you know how much the school raised!

**Value of the week – Happiness**

We have continued on the theme of Black History, learning about Martin Luther King and all the things he achieved...'I have a dream' and the impact of his achievements many years on.

**Raffle Donations – last call!**

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 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Many thanks for your support.

**Online Safety**

Ofcom's latest Media Use and Attitudes Report states that most children can watch streamed films on a mobile device both in and out of the home, with 80% of UK children watching films on phones, tablets or laptops. That's a lot of youngsters who might be using their own gadgets to watch something suitably spooky this Halloween season or perhaps, something a little too frightening.

With older children in particular, it can be difficult knowing how to manage their increasing interest in more mature content – including horror films, in many cases – let alone knowing how best to safeguard them from inappropriate material. This week's guide offers expert advice not only on the risks of exposure to horror films and other potentially upsetting content, but also on preventing young viewers from seeing this material or protecting them from being too deeply affected by it if they do.

**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: @stivesnursery  
Reception: @stivesprimaryyr  
Year 1: @stives\_year1  
Year 2: @stivesprimaryy2  
Year 3: @stivesprimary3  
Year 4: @year4stives  
Year 5: @stivesprimaryy5  
Year 6: @stivesprimary6  
Mrs Crossley: @stivesprimary



**Secondary School Applications –Closing date 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024**

For those children that are due to be starting secondary school in September 2025, you can apply online at [www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/apply-school-place](http://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/apply-school-place)

If you live in Hampshire please ensure you apply via Hampshire. [www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions)

**School Starters 2024- Closing date 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

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**Dates for Diary**

**October**

21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Parent Consultations –**Please remember there will be no clubs this week**  
25<sup>th</sup> INSET Day  
W/C 28<sup>th</sup> October Half Term

**November**

12<sup>th</sup> Individual Photographs  
13<sup>th</sup> Reception Open Evening (Sept 25 starters) 4.30 – 6.00pm  
29<sup>th</sup> SISA Christmas Fair

**December**

2<sup>nd</sup> Treehouse Theatre  
17<sup>th</sup> PM KS1 Christmas Performance  
18<sup>th</sup> AM KS1 Christmas Performance  
18<sup>th</sup> KS2 Christmas Performance @ Verwood Hub

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L Crossley

Headteacher

