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**Newsletter 4 – 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Class News**

- Nursery - loved their reward this week going on the Pirate ship – Ahoy!
- YR - enjoyed celebrating European Languages Day travelling to Italy! We made pizzas, looked at famous Landmarks and made Italian flags!
- Y1 - really enjoyed learning some sign language for European Languages Day
- Y2 - made super progress this week with their use of column addition in numeracy lessons
- Y3 - had an amazing time at the Tutankhamun Exhibition and have learned so many facts about Ancient Egypt!
- Y4 - loved investigating which materials are insulators and conductors of electricity as part of their Science learning
- Y5 - have enjoyed embracing new and different languages during European Languages Day
- Y6 - loved making their Blue Peter Book Badge applications and recommending their favourite books to their Peers!

Dear Parents,

The school has felt vibrant and exciting this week. The children's learning and thirst for knowledge is amazing. Music lessons are in full flow, we've also had Brass in Y5, Samba in Y4 and recorders in Y3...keep up the good work!

Well done to children in KS2 who represented St Ives in the Castleman Sport Partnership Festival yesterday, as ever they showed impeccable sportspersonship and great resilience.

**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.

**Value of the week – Respect**

Our assemblies have focused on Harvest and the Rule of Law this week. The children enjoyed celebrating the bountiful season and learned the importance of gratitude, sharing and giving back to the community. Through the assembly they shared their understanding of the harvest's significance, fostering a sense of unity and appreciation for nature's gifts. We also discussed one of the British Values 'Rule of Law' and discussed why we have laws to ensure we are kept safe.



**Book Buzz:**

Since we started Book Buzz here at St Ives, the children have been so enthused about book talk and have been seen "buzzing" when they see it as part of their timetable that day. We have recently acquired lots of brand new, just arrived on the market books for our class libraries which have been shared in our Book Buzz sessions. The children's enthusiasm for these new book titles has been infectious. We would love it if you would ask your children about Book Buzz sessions and see what they say. Hopefully they are coming home with new books they want to read based on recommendations they have seen or talked about in class.

If you aren't already, please follow our Book Buzz X (Twitter) page. Our handle is @BookBuzzStives

### **Blue Peter Book Badge:**

Some of the children may come home today with a Blue Peter Book Badge application form that they have been working on in class. The children have written about and celebrated their favourite books and expressed their love for the story in their application form so that they earn their Blue Peter Book Badge. This is not a competition where they win the badge; they earn a badge when they send off their application form. Please ask your children about their application forms and please support them in posting them off so they can earn their badge. How amazing would it be to start seeing St Ives children walking around with their Blue Peter Book Badge on their jumpers!

### **Online Safety**

In the UK, the proportion of 11 to 18-year-olds who vape doubled between 2020 and 2022. That figure has continued to rise – a worrying trend that’s not exactly been countered by frequent portrayals of vaping as cool and fashionable on social media platforms.

Many young vapers simply aren’t aware of the habit’s potential pitfalls – but with risks including unregulated products, toxic ingredients and future nicotine addiction, there’s plenty for trusted adults to help children understand. This week’s guide brings you the essential info.

### **Secondary School Application – Closing date 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023**

For those children that are due to be starting secondary school in September 2024, you can apply online at [www.dorsetforyou.com/school-admissions](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/school-admissions)

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 2024**

Apply online: [www.dorsetforyou.com/school-admissions](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/school-admissions)

#### **Dates for Diary**

##### **October**

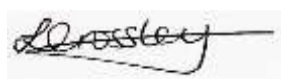
13<sup>th</sup> SISA ‘Break the rules’ day  
W/C 16<sup>th</sup> Parent consultations  
20<sup>th</sup> INSET Day  
30<sup>th</sup> School reopens

##### **November**

1<sup>st</sup> SISA Halloween Disco  
7<sup>th</sup> Y4 Individual School Photographs  
9<sup>th</sup> Individual School Photographs (rest of school)

<b><u>PE Kit Days –</u></b>		
Reception	-	Monday & Friday
Year 1	-	Monday & Friday
Year 2	-	Monday & Friday
Year 3	-	Thursday & Friday
Year 4	-	Thursday & Friday
Year 5	-	Monday & Thursday
Year 6	-	Monday & Thursday

Yours sincerely,



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