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Newsletter 5 – 2nd October 2026

Class News

Nursery	- have been reading 'Guess how much I love you in the autumn' and are starting to look at autumnal changes.
YR	- have been learning about 2D shapes this week - what shapes can you find at home?
Y1	- have had great fun piecing together their printed faces during art this week as we explored cutting shapes!
Y2	- have enjoyed dancing and singing to our "My Happy Mind" song.
Y3	- have loved developing their recorder skills in Music.
Y4	- have loved finding out and learning about Stonehenge.
Y5	- have thoroughly enjoyed their last swimming session this year.
Y6	- have showed resilience and perseverance when using the fire steels during the Forest School session!

Dear Parents,

A very exciting week here at St Ives, Inflatable Obstacle Course, Bikeability and we have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming our Spanish students! It is a fabulous opportunity for us to practice our Spanish and learn about a different culture.

Raffle Donations

St Ives along with all the other schools in our Trust, are holding our Annual Conference later this 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-Unique

We have been focusing on our British values in assemblies this week. October is Black History Month and the focus is on 'Honouring our communities'. Please take some time to chat to your child about this.

Class X Pages

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping our X pages secure and ensuring pupil information is shared appropriately, we have recently updated the privacy settings for our class X pages. These pages are now only accessible to parents and carers of children currently in that year group. If you previously had access to a class page and can no longer view it, please submit an access request via the X page. We regularly monitor and review all requests and will grant access where we are confident that the requestor is a parent from that class. Thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to prioritise the safety and privacy of our pupils.

Nursery: @stivesprimaryYN
Reception: @stivesprimaryyr
Year 1: @stives_year1
Year 2: @stivesprimaryy2
Mrs Crossley: @stivesprimary

Year 3: @stivesprimary3
Year 4: @year4stives
Year 5: @stivesprimaryy5
Year 6: @stivesprimary6



PE Kit days for October 2026

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



Online Safety

Looksmaxxing encourages people – particularly young men – to 'improve their appearance' through everything from grooming, skincare and exercise to far more questionable techniques. As this trend becomes increasingly visible on social media, this week's guide explores how appearance-focused content can affect boys' confidence, self-worth and body image, while exposing them to misleading or potentially dangerous advice.

The guide also examines how looksmaxxing content can become increasingly extreme, with links to obsessive behaviours, mental health difficulties and harmful online communities. It offers practical advice for parents and educators on spotting changes in behaviour, recognising looksmaxxing terminology, understanding what young people may be seeing online and opening supportive conversations about appearance, influencers and unrealistic expectations.

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

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

9 th	Flu Immunisations
	SISA Break the Rules Day
13 th	Individual Photographs
14 th	NCMP for Year 6 pupils
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
4 th	SISA Christmas Fair

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L Crossley

Headteacher

