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Newsletter 6 – 9th October 2026

Class News

Nursery	- have really enjoyed exploring Autumn this week
YR	- have been learning about people who help us in the community and making lifeboats that float in the water
Y1	- were fantastic at learning how to log onto a school laptop!
Y2	- have enjoyed finalising the last part of our Paddington dance and performing it all the way through!
Y3	- have loved exploring the artwork of Egyptian artist, Alaa Awad
Y4	- have been fantastic at playing our recorders this week
Y5	- have enjoyed publishing their writing this week
Y6	- have showed resilience with some tricky maths problems involving multiplying fractions!

Dear Parents,

An incredible week of learning and curriculum engagement, the children are constantly learning, it really is a joy to see.

We waved goodbye to our first group of Spanish students and look forward to welcoming our next group. It is the perfect opportunity to practise our Spanish!

Well done to the Y5/6 Cross Country Team – an excellent performance all round and they represented St Ives with such pride!

Book Look
Don't forget you are invited into school on Monday 12th October 3.15-4.15 to look at your child's work prior to parent consultations.

New Website
We are delighted to share that our school website will shortly have a fresh new look! You can still find it at the same web address, but it has been redesigned to make it easier to navigate, more accessible and packed with useful information about life at our school. We invite all parents and carers to take some time to explore the new site, where you'll find the latest news, key information, curriculum details, upcoming events and much more. We hope you will enjoy discovering everything it has to offer and welcome any feedback as we continue to develop and improve it.

Raffle Donations – last call!
Thank you so much for all donations received so far. 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 21st October? Many thanks for your support.

Wear it Pink!– Cake Sale
The school would like to support 'Wear it Pink' to raise money for research into Breast Cancer. We will be running a cake sale after school on Wednesday 21st October and any leftovers can be passed onto the Disco. Please only send in biscuits, cookies, cakes that are portioned/sliced. Many thanks. More information to follow.

Book Buzz – Reading for Pleasure

Due to the great success of our Book Buzz sessions, we are pleased to be holding another reading-for-pleasure time on Friday 16th October. All children are invited to bring in a book of their choice to enjoy during the school day and celebrate a love of reading. Thank you for your continued support. Mrs Bowden

Value of the week – Happiness

Within our assembly theme Black History Month we have learned about what Black History Month is and the influential figure of Rosa Parks. Our Team Captains delivered an excellent assembly to both KS1 & KS2. Well done Team Captains!!

Online Safety

AI chatbots such as ChatGPT, Copilot, Gemini and My AI are becoming a familiar part of children's digital lives. This guide helps parents, carers and educators understand how these tools work, why young people find them so appealing, and where their use can create safeguarding, learning and wellbeing concerns.

From misinformation and privacy issues to emotional dependency, academic dishonesty and over-reliance, this guide explores the key risks in a clear, accessible way. It also offers practical advice on starting conversations, checking settings and helping children think critically, so adults can support safe, balanced and informed use of AI.

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

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

Reception Starters 2027- Closing date 15th January 2027

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

Dates for Diary

October

12th	Book Look 3.15pm-4.15pm
13th	Individual Photographs
14th	NCMP for Year 6 pupils
19th/20th	Parent Consultations
21st	SISA Halloween Disco
22nd	Y3 Class Assembly 9am
23rd	INSET Day
WC 26th	October Half Term

November

4th-6th	Y4 Leeson House Residential
11th	Reception Starters 2027 Open Evening 4.30-6pm
19th	Y4 Class Assembly 9am

December

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

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L Crossley

Headteacher