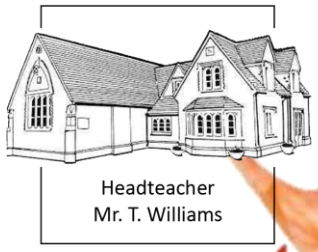

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NEWSLETTER 10
Autumn Term 2019

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Dear Parents

Year 4 Swimming

After a break of a few weeks, full of half terms and trips, Year 4 will be back to their regular swimming lessons at Canford School this coming Monday 18th November.

Information Afternoon – Tuesday 19th November at 2:00pm

We are offering parents an English and Maths information afternoon on Tuesday 19th November at 2:00pm. This session will cover some of the methods and strategies we use with children in these subjects. There will be information about our spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) coverage to help you as parents support at home. We will also look at the approaches we use in maths, highlighting some of the progression and calculation methods used. We hope this session will be very helpful for parents and look forward to seeing you then.

Bournemouth Echo

Just a date for your diary – the Bournemouth Echo edition featuring Reception Class photos will be published on **Tuesday 26th November** and is well worth picking up a copy for the memory books.

Fraser Portraits

Fraser Portraits are offering a sibling/family session as usual, similar to last year, to be held in the War Memorial Hall, Broadstone on Friday 29th November and Friday 6th December, 2:30pm – 7:15pm. This gives parents the opportunity of having photographs taken of their children if they were absent on the day of school photographs, or if they were dissatisfied for any reason with their photograph/s. They can also have sibling photographs taken here if their children don't attend the same school.

Clarinet Concert

The year 3 and 4 children have been working extremely hard during their music lessons from Dorset Music Service and have now started putting together their performance pieces. We will be hosting a clarinet concert for each class on **Thursday 5th December**. Year 3's concert will be at **1:30pm** and Year 4 will follow at **2:30pm**. Parents are warmly invited to join us for these performances and see how hard the children have worked.

Friends News

Thank you for your kind donations towards the Friends Bottle Tombola today. You should have received booklets of raffle tickets for return by 26th November. I hope that you have already put Saturday 30th November in your diary for the Friends Christmas Fair. I know that the team are working extremely hard to put the event together and look forward to a great turn out on the day. If you are able to help, please let us know.

Uniform Amnesty

Please would you all take a moment over the weekend to ensure that any uniform at home belongs to your child and has not been brought home by mistake. As you can imagine this happens from time to time and we would appreciate your support in this. Any wayward uniform can be handed in to the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. T. Williams
Head Teacher

This Week:

To help support you at home and to spark conversations about learning, here is what the children have been covering this week.

	English	Mathematics
Reception	This week Reception have been looking at the story of *The Gingerbread Man*. We have been joining in with repetitive phrases, building our own bridges to help the Gingerbread Man and also using our phonics to build and write simple words.	In maths we have been looking at the numbers from 1 to 5 and in particular focusing on finding one more. We have used practical apparatus, pictures and even number lines to help us to do this.
Year 1	In Year 1, the children have written some thoughtful prayers for peace on Remembrance Day. They read and watched an animated alphabet and used the ideas to write part of their own alliterative alphabet. They then enjoyed playing alphabet games on 'No pen Wednesday'. We have continued learning about split digraphs and have focussed on reading and beginning to spell words with the i.e. split digraph e.g. dive, kite, slide.	We have been using a 100 square to help us count in twos. We have been learning to subtract numbers to 10 by crossing out pictures, using cubes and breaking apart a cube tower, and by counting back on a number line. The children have enjoyed using pictures to help them write and solve their own number sentences and have linked these to part-part-whole models.
Year 2	This week we have been writing great stories based on "Diary of a Killer Cat" by Anne Fine! Children have been writing descriptive sentences and learning to use adverbs! Our spellings have focused on "homophones" – words which sound the same (their/ there/ they're) but have different meanings and spellings.	In maths we have been working on money, learning to recognise and combine notes and coins. We have also begun to solve problems which involve money.
Year 3	Following our enjoyable visit to see Michael Rosen perform some of his poems and stories, we have introduced the use of paragraphs to structure a recount about the day. We are also focusing on accurate sentence structure and punctuation as well as interesting sentence openers such as, "After a while,..." Our spelling aim for the coming week is revision of the Year 2 suffixes (word endings) -er, -est, -ful, -less, -ly, -ed, -ing, -ness, -ment.	We have been working on some complex reasoning and explaining in maths to bring our work on addition and subtraction to a close. 'No Pens Wednesday' gave us the opportunity to get hands-on with the coins, adding totals in the toy shop and practising giving change by mentally counting up a number line. Please do keep this going when out shopping, if you can.
Year 4	This week in Year 4 we had an amazing day at both Chesil Beach and Weymouth Pavilion on Monday, where we helped the rangers to litter pick and clean up the beach and we found an amazing 1 1/2 kg of rubbish which included fishing lines, plastic bottles and all sorts of rubbish! We then were highly entertained by Michael Rosen who inspired us all to have a go at writing for fun and enjoyment. In our English work on Tuesday, we entered the writing competition that we were told about on our trip and wrote stories all about saving and protecting our amazing world. From Wednesday onwards we started our Victorian text Street Child and did both drama, reading comprehension and some more writing around the first few chapters of this text.	In maths, we learnt to check answers to addition and subtraction calculations by doing the inverse, before moving on to solving addition and subtraction word problems using part whole model, bar models and column methods.

Diary Dates 2019-2020

Autumn Term	
Tuesday 19th November	Parent's English and Maths Workshop @2pm
Saturday 30th November	Friends' Christmas Fair
Monday 2nd December	Image Theatre Performance
Thursday 5th December	**Year 3 (1.30pm) & Year 4 (2.30pm) Clarinet Concert**
Wednesday 11th December	Key Stage 2 Carols by Candlelight @ All Saints' Hampreston 6:00pm
Tuesday 17th December	Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity afternoon matinee Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity evening performance
Wednesday 18th December	Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity morning performance
Thursday 19th December	Friend's Christmas party lunch and Christmas Parties
Friday 20th December	Christingle Service @ All Saints' Hampreston 2:00pm
Spring Term	
Monday 6th January	INSET DAY
Tuesday 7th January	School Starts
Tuesday 11th February	Internet Safety Day
Thursday 13th February	Year 4 FMS Maths and Robotics Event
Friday 14th February	Healthy School Day (including Walk to School) Break up @ 3pm
Half Term	
Monday 24th February	School Opens
Tuesday 25th February	Pancake Race
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day
Friday 6th March	Year 3 Paultons Park
Tuesday 10th March	Parent Consultations 4:30 – 7:30pm
Wednesday 11th March	Parent Consultations 3:15 – 6:00pm
Friday 3th April	Easter Service @ All Saints' Hampreston 2:00pm
Summer Term	
Monday 20th April	School Opens
Tuesday 28th April	SRE Information Evening
Friday 8th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Thursday 21st May	Healthy School Day (including Fun Run) Break up @ 3pm
Friday 22nd May	INSET DAY
Half Term	
Tuesday 4th June	School Opens
Thursday 4th June	Class Photos
Friday 3rd July	Sports Day
Tuesday 7th July	Key Stage 2 Performance 6:00pm
Wednesday 8th July	Key Stage 2 Performance 6:00pm
Friday 10th July	Transition Day tbc School Disco
Wednesday 15th July	Informal Parent's Evening
Thursday 16th July	Awards Assembly
Friday 17th July	Leavers Service Break up @ 3pm
Monday 20th July	INSET DAY

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