



# Newsletter 7

25th January 2018

## FEBRUARY 2018

- \*1st @ 3:30: Talent Show!
- \*5th @3pm: "Come & Read!"
- \*6th @ 9:00 & 3:15: Yr 2 Meet the Teacher
- \*6th: Safer Internet Day
- \*8th: Yr 5-> Sarum Academy
- \*9th: **Term 3 ends**
- \*19th: **School is closed**
- \*20th: Term 4 starts, Book Fayre arrives, and Yr 6 SATs information session

## MARCH 2018

- \*1st: World Book Day
- \*6th: Scooter Skills tbc
- \*16th: Clubs end and bank closes
- \*21st—23rd: Year 5 -> Dorset
- \*22nd and 23rd: Consultations for Robins, Yr 2 & Yr 6
- \*23rd: HSA disco
- \*27th: Yr 5 singing at City Hall - time tbc
- \*27th and 28th: Yr 3 & 4 show
- \*28th: Mufti for winning house
- \*29th @ 2:15: Spring Sing-along and term ends at 3:15

## APRIL 2018

- \*16th: School is closed
- \*17th: Term 5 starts
- \*24th: Yr 3 swimming starts

## MAY 2018

- \*7th: Bank Holiday
- \*14th—17th : Year 6 SATs
- \*19th: Mini Marathon
- \*25th: Term 5 ends

## JUNE 2018

- \*4th: School is closed
- \*5th: Term 6 starts

## Nearly February!

Spring Term has got off to a great start. The curriculum has been enriched by a number of exciting learning opportunities including tennis lessons, football sessions with an FA coach, MLT multi-skills coaching, dining @ Wagamamas, horse riding and a Family Phonic Workshop. Red Letter Dinner Day was also a great success and 127 children enjoyed Mrs Nicholson's hot dogs!

We are currently reviewing our Accessibility Plan: this document details our commitment to ensuring equality of education and opportunity for pupils, staff and all those who are part of our school community. It is important that everyone's views are reflected in our plans so if you would like to contribute to further areas for development, please contact Mrs Pollard who will arrange a forum in which to share ideas.

Thank you for your generous and on-going support.

## Reports and consultations

If your child is in Years 1, 3, 4 or 5, you will receive their Annual Record of Achievement on 26th March and their end-of-year consultation will be held in July.

If, however, your child is in Reception, Year 2 or Year 6, there are consultation events between 1:30 and 8pm on Thursday 22nd March and between 9:00 and 11:30 on 23rd March. The Records of Achievement for these children will be shared in July because there is a statutory duty to provide a written report at the end of the reception year which summarises attainment against the Early Learning Goals. For children in Years 2 and 6, there is also a statutory duty to provide a written report that details your child's National Curriculum test results.

However old your child is, you are always welcome to discuss their well-being and we will strive to see you as quickly as possible.

## Safety App

Hollie Guard is a free App which can be downloaded to any phone offering anyone the chance to raise the alarm if they are concerned about their safety. A simple shake or tap activates the app by automatically sending your location and audio/video evidence to your designated contacts.

This app could provide peace of mind to parents and carers of children who travel independently as well as being helpful for anyone who would benefit from such reassurance.



## SATs information sessions

In Year 2 and Year 6, the government requires children to take formal tests in Reading, SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) and Mathematics.

If you would like to find out more about the tests, we will be holding information sessions on;

- \*20.2.18 @ 3:30: Mrs Griffiths (Yr 6)
- \*27.2.18 @ 3:15: Mr McMorris (Yr 2)

## Numberblocks

Have you seen this great online resource? Sing along and learn all about numbers with the Numberblocks on the BBC's Cbeebies website! It's fabulous and all has been done with the National Centre for Excellent Teaching of maths. Check out the following link for a quick five minute Numberblock video introducing numbers one to five.

[www.dailymotion.com/video/x5ds19e](http://www.dailymotion.com/video/x5ds19e)



## Attendance

Kingfisher 2 have the highest attendance with an amazing 98.2% Well done!



January's House Points

Mercury: 231 Venus: 192

Mars: 266 Jupiter: 351

## Reading for pleasure



From **Monday 5th February**, we are going to launch a new project that will enable families to read with their children during the school day. From 3pm on the **first Monday of every month**, families are invited to come into school to share a book with their child. For safety's sake, please enter the school via the office and you will be collected and taken to join your child. We welcome your feedback on this project as we are keen to make it as joyful and successful as possible.

To celebrate **World Book Day on Thursday 1st March**, children (and adults!) are invited to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character. If you would like to support your child at home, great ideas and resources can also be found at [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com)



## Path protocol

The school path can become congested as over 200 children and adults (plus transport!) use it twice a day. Mrs Reakes had a great idea to improve the 'traffic' on the path by introducing a 'walk on the left' rule. Trialling this new approach should make the path even more calm and safe: your feedback will be welcomed

Lastly, children are well-aware that bikes and scooters must be pushed on the path. We continue to welcome your support with this matter and we are very grateful that you are instilling this message into the pre-schoolers too.

## Working Together

The theme for Safer Internet Day 2018 is "*Create, Connect and Share Respect*". and globally, young people will consider what they can do to help to make the internet a kinder place. Between 9:15 and 12:00 on Tuesday 6th February, children will take part in a number of activities that have been designed to enhance their understanding of internet safety. All families are welcome to join their children to investigate the super resources that we use in school.

We are very fortunate as Mrs Castleman has arranged for Karl Hopwood to lead a family "Safer Internet" workshop on May 1st. Karl, an ex-primary headteacher, is an independent Internet Safety expert. He is a member of UKCCIS (UK Council for Child Internet Safety) and sits on the advisory board for the UK Safer Internet Centre and the education advisory board for CEOP. Karl has worked for a number of key players in the UK and abroad including CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre), the European Commission and several Local Authorities within the UK.