

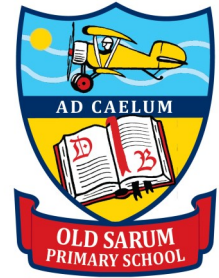


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## Old Sarum Primary School

# Newsletter

Friday 9th March 2018



### Year 6 Visit to SeaCity Museum

On Friday 23rd February Apaches visited SeaCity Museum in Southampton, where they had a thoroughly enjoyable day learning about life on the Titanic and how it sank. The children had a workshop session where they were able to investigate artefacts that may have been found on the ship; learn Morse code; and learn in more detail about why the ship sank. They were also given a guided tour of the museum before having free time to investigate the different exhibits with their groups. A great day was had by all! Apaches would like to thank Mr Butler for his help on the trip.



### Year 5 Visit to Salisbury Cathedral

Last week, Year 5 had a fun-filled mathematical day at Salisbury Cathedral where they investigated roman numerals, volume and the geometric designs within the cathedral. It was a fantastic trip and the children found out some interesting facts about the history of the cathedral as well!



### Pottery Class and Community Project

Sarum Academy Art Department are offering a community clay class on Saturday 28th April from 10am to 1pm at the academy. It will be a fantastic opportunity to learn a new skill. For more information and/or to sign up please email Rebecca Middlehurst-Jones on [rebecca.middlehurst@sarumacademy.org](mailto:rebecca.middlehurst@sarumacademy.org)



### Life Education Bus

This week we had the Life Education Bus at school and each class got the opportunity to visit it and learn some new exciting things. The children learnt about feelings, the brain, friends and much more.



### Mini Marathon

If your child/ren and/or yourself wish to take part in this years Mini Marathon please remember to return slips and money to school by Friday 16th March 2018.



### Healthy Eating

On Tuesday 20th March we are holding a Healthy Eating Day at school. Our school dinner providers HC3S will be in school and taking session relating to healthy eating for each class during the morning. After lunch Mr Jones and one other teacher will be taking part in a Ready Steady Cook style event for the whole school to see.



### Learners of the Week...

#### Reception

Mia M & Joseph D

#### Year 1

TJ P & Tilly A

#### Year 2

Ellie-Mae K

#### Year 3

Jennifer B

#### Year 4

Zack B

#### Year 5

Kian S

#### Year 6

Gabriel C

### Well Done!!

#### Attendance

|             |        |
|-------------|--------|
| Pipers      | 85.96% |
| Tiger Moths | 100%   |
| Harriers    | 87.04% |
| Hawks       | 93.10% |
| Tornados    | 96.43% |
| Falcons     | 90.74% |
| Lynx        | 95.76% |
| Lysanders   | 100%   |
| Apaches     | 92.36% |

#### Lateness

|             |       |
|-------------|-------|
| Pipers      | 0.88% |
| Tiger Moths | 0%    |
| Harriers    | 0%    |
| Hawks       | 0.86% |
| Tornados    | 1.19% |
| Falcons     | 1.85% |
| Lynx        | 0.61% |
| Lysanders   | 0%    |
| Apaches     | 2.08% |

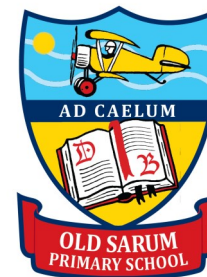


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### Punctuality

It is important for children to establish good routines and habits from an early age and we recognise that punctuality is an important life skill for children to develop. Persistent lateness means that your child's day gets off to a poor start; they have missed learning and we are already playing 'catch up'. It can also have a disruptive effect on the rest of the class and delay teaching as teachers need to repeat tasks and instructions. Getting your child into school on time gets their day off to a flying start which has a positive impact on their learning and attitude towards school.

### Every School Day Counts

Good attendance really matters. There is direct link nationally and in our own school between attendance and achievement. As our whole school attendance is currently below the national average of 96%, we are rightly focusing on improving every child's attendance and as a result improving every child's life chances.

Children with 95% attendance or less are monitored and if attendance falls below 90% this is viewed as persistent absenteeism and is flagged as a 'cause for concern'. Although a score of 90% in a test would be a good result, 90% attendance means that a child will have missed around 100 lessons over a school year. Every day missed really does add up:

| Attendance during one school year | Equals this number of days absent | Which is approximately this number of weeks absent | Which means this number of lessons missed |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| 95%                               | 9 days                            | 2 weeks  | 50 lessons                                |
| 90%                               | 19 days                           | 4 weeks  | 100 lessons                               |
| 85%                               | 29 days                           | 6 weeks  | 150 lessons                               |
| 80%                               | 38 days                           | 8 weeks  | 200 lessons                               |

We will continue to talk to the children about the importance of being in school every day, on time and ready to learn and will celebrate excellent individual/class attendance and punctuality.

### Important dates...

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Wed 14th March   | Year 3/4 Gymnastic Competition                  |
| Fri 16th March   | Small Schools Tournament (selected pupils only) |
| Fri 16th March   | Kurling (selected pupils only)                  |
| Tues 27th March  | Primary Live                                    |
| Thurs 29th March | Wessex Archaeology                              |
| Thurs 29th March | Year R Show and Share 2:45pm                    |
| Thurs 29th March | End of Term 4                                   |
| Mon 16th April   | Start of Term 5                                 |