



ARCHDEACON JOHN LEWIS NEWSLETTER

'Strength through knowledge and faith.'

Friday 20th September 2024

On Monday we welcomed back Rev Mark Broadway to celebrate our first Eucharist of the year and blessing of our Prayer Space. This was a very special occasion for us to share with family members, Governors and parishioners.

On Tuesday we welcomed the 'Open the Book' team with Rev Roger Pitman. They were joined by some of the children who helped to act out the Bible story of Jesus blessing the little children.

It was a pleasure seeing so many of you attending the 'Open Evenings' this week. Information on the class topic, Relationships and Sexuality Curriculum and PE times etc. were handed out. If you weren't able to attend, your child should have been given this information to take home. Please ask your child's teacher if this has gone astray.

On Thursday, Mrs Hodges, Miss Thomas and some parents made a class trip to Tremains Wood for their topic 'The Enchanted Woodland'. Great fun was had by all as you will see from the photos.



Unfortunately, there has been a delay in the installation of our outdoor classroom. We have a provisional date of 30th September so there may be some further notifications regarding gate closures and entrances to Breakfast Club. Fingers crossed the sunny weather will still be with us.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs L Forster
Acting Headteacher

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Important Dates

- Friday 4th October: Y1 Hearing Screening
- Thursday 10th October: Wear something yellow for Mental Health Day
- Friday 11th October, 9am: Messy Church for Mrs Hodges' class
- Friday 18th October: Wear something red for 'Show Racism the Red Card'
- Thursday 24th October: Nasal flu vaccinations for pupils in Reception to Year 6
- Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November: Half term
- Thursday 14th November: Y1 Dental Survey (*more information to follow*)

Reminders

- Please ensure that pupil absences are reported to the school office by 9:30am.
- Don't forget to update your contact details with us if you have moved house, or changed phones!
- Parking restrictions outside of schools are there to help all road users stay safe, especially children. Where possible, parents and pupils are encouraged to walk to school. Please take care when using the car park on school grounds.



For the safety of children and to protect children with allergies we have a 'no dogs on school grounds' policy; meaning that dogs cannot go beyond the school gate and onto the playgrounds. This includes dogs being carried.

Assistance dogs are allowed onto school premises.

We have agreed to take part in the SHRN Student Health and Well-being Survey this autumn term. Pupil participation is voluntary, and learners' answers are always kept confidential and anonymous.

More information has been emailed to parents/carers today.



Online Safety

Many parents are surprised at the age restrictions on some apps that are commonly used by children.

We are noticing an increase in unkind behaviour, in particular the misuse of group chats, and the subsequent upset amongst peers.

We encourage all parents to regularly check devices, ensuring that children are not accessing things that they shouldn't be and to monitor group chats.

While online safety is taught at school, it remains a parental responsibility to safeguard your children while using such devices.



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