Thursday 18 October 2018

**Dear Parents** 



#### **Castle Life**

We were really busy last week interviewing for new teachers to join our team. We're really pleased to announce that we have made two great new appointments and look forward to welcoming Irina Creed and Madeline Lovell to our team. Mrs Creed will be working in Kendal and Miss Lovell will be in Lulworth Class, both covering maternity leave. Our very best wishes also go to Mrs Lake and Mrs Exton who deserve a well-earned break before their impending arrivals!

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We were really fortunate this week to welcome Brendan Rouse, from the Schools' Sports Partnership, to school on Monday. He spent the whole day with us and worked with lots of children across the day. He worked with both Year 2 classes on skipping workshops which we are planning to introduce much more of in the playground. He worked with the Year 5 and 6 'play leaders' to help give them lots of great ideas as to how they can work with the younger children helping them to take part in playground games. Then in the afternoon he worked with our two Year 3 classes, giving them and the teachers plenty of ideas for outdoor games and activities.

# **Dover Class Assembly**

Please don't forget to join us tomorrow morning at 9.00 am for Dover Class's Assembly. The children have been practising really hard and I'm sure will amaze us with their interesting facts about the Vikings.

#### **Windsor Class**



Last week Mr Law visited Windsor Class. He taught us all about maps and how they were made. He also showed us how to read a map in order to find out where the Roman roads were, as well as other features of a map using a key.

He explained that, through studying maps, you can predict where a tsunami may occur as well as where flooding might happen. Mr Law said that surveyors have to keep going around the country to identify new buildings/structures that are then added to existing maps. We talked about our new building being constructed and he said that the surveyors would be visiting the school in order to map out the new layout of the building on our school grounds. We then decided that **we** would like to have a go at this because it sounded fun and we wanted to be just like the Environment Agency staff and do it ourselves - the challenge has been set.

Windsor Class is going to map out the new building when we are able to, and invite Mr Law back to visit us again so that we can show him what we have achieved and talk about how we did it. We will then compare our maps with his.

We would like to thank Mr Law for giving up his time to come and talk to us about the exciting world of map making. We were very inspired! Mrs Blackman

### **Bug Hotels**

We are eagerly awaiting the completion of the building work that has been taking place over the last year! One of the many projects planned for developing our outdoor space is the creation of bug hotels to encourage wildlife to our green areas and help with science learning. If you are able to donate any of the following materials for our bug hotels, these would be gratefully received! It may save you a trip to the tip... Bricks or wood pieces (these need to be free of nails please); pine cones- earwigs and woodlice love these; old terracotta pots- a favourite with spiders; logs/ twigs of different shapes and sizes; straw-for insulation old roof tiles- these can provide shelter for frogs, toads and even hedgehogs! tubes or corrugated card; bamboo canes; egg boxes. Many thanks. Miss H Silman.

### **Bonfire Bonanza Menu**

We have a change in our school meal menu for Thursday 8 November. Sorry to those of you who have already pre-ordered your child(ren)'s lunches for this day, because **you will need to log back in to the Aspens.Select website and reorder lunches**, as the menu choices have now changed. We will be having 'Crackling' Homemade Chicken Nuggets or Sky Rocket Quorn Hot Dogs with Catherine Wheel Curly Fries.

### Santa Dash

Once again the Keynsham Rotary Club is supporting the Saltford Santa Dash and the Saltford Mini Santa Run on Sunday 2 December. All proceeds go to Jessie May Children's Hospice and Young Minds. Please log on to <a href="https://www.saltfordsantadash.co.uk">www.saltfordsantadash.co.uk</a> for more information and to register.

# Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We will be selling traditional poppies from next Monday, 22 October, right up until Friday 9 November. We have also been given some Poppy Appeal novelty items to sell. Suggested donation prices start from 50p up to  $\pounds 1$ .

### **Celebrating Achievements**

Well done to Jackson L (Lulworth) who will be returning to rugby club after a short break.

#### **Pupils of the Week**

These children have all impressed recently: Daniel S-S (Kendal), Ava E (Pembroke), Tre M (Corfe), Roxie S (Lulworth), Alfie N (Monmouth), Kaiden W (Blaise), Zachary W-G (Yarmouth), Maisie A (Edinburgh), Raresh S (Windsor), Charlotte W (Dover), Fin M (Arundel).

## **Teacher Changes**

Date	Class	Replacement Teacher
Monday 22 October (pm)	Year 2	Mrs Nicholls
Tuesday 23 October (pm)	Monmouth	Mrs Nicholls

### **Dates**

Day	Date	Time	Event	Year Groups
Tuesday	23 October	4.00 to 6.00 pm	High 5s Netball Tournament @ Wellsway School	
Thursday	25 October		Term 1 ENDS	All
Friday	26 October		CLOSED for Staff Training	All
Monday	29 October	10 am to 12 noon	Flu Vaccination Clinic in Bath – call 01225 838270	
Monday	5 November		CLOSED for Staff Training	All
Tuesday	6 November		Term 2 STARTS	All
Thursday	8 November		Bonfire Bonanza Meal	All
Friday	9 November		Individual and Sibling Photos	All
Friday	23 November	4.30 to 5.30 pm	YR and KS1 Winter Disco	R to 2
		5.45 to 7.15 pm	KS2 Winter Disco	3 to 6
Sunday	2 December	10 am & 11 am	Mini Saltford Santa Run and Saltford Santa Dash	
Wednesday	5 December	9.00 to 12 pm	Flu Vaccinations	R to 5
Friday	21 December	·	School Closure Day	All

Yours sincerely

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Mr C Cannings Headteacher Coming home today.....

- Disco Letters Years R to 6
- Primary Times
- Sea Life vouchers
- Art-K Club