



Spring Weekly Bulletin 06

Friday 13th February 2026

Rooted in the community to grow and flourish

The Parable of the Mustard Seed, Matthew 13: 31-32

Dear Families,

This week is Children's Mental Health Week and our school started off on Monday by joining Place2Be's Virtual Assembly about this topic. The theme for 2026 is 'This is My Place', and classes have therefore spent some time throughout the last few days discussing the concept of belonging. We have talked about all the ways our school strives to support our pupils and how we aim to help them feel like they belong and are safe.

When considering what 'belonging' feels like, children have discussed some of the suggestions as follows:

- **'It's like a place, your home, you belong with your family and friends'**
- **'Feeling included, not left out'**
- **'It's all about feeling safe'**
- **'Feeling a part of something'**
- **'Feeling like there are people similar to you as well as different'**

We have encouraged children to reflect on the places where they feel loved and accepted for who they are. Just like at our school we hope! We have talked about the adults at school and at home who are always available to help. We have also stressed the importance of sharing worries with trusted adults so that children know they are never alone and people are there to help.

In addition, we enjoyed sharing the different things we do to help to feel like ourselves. For example, some children said they like to play sport with a team or suggested practising a musical instrument or listening to music made them feel positive. Similarly, others look forward to a dog walk over the fields or even splashing in the sea with members of their family. This week we have been able to take time to reiterate the wonderful impact on our mental health when we are true to ourselves in ways which do not negatively impact others. The children know that belonging comes from being accepted for who you are and that we all need to be mindful of each other's feelings. We have also reminded each other that we don't have to be perfect and that, if we make a mistake, we need to use it as a learning point and find a way to move on positively.

If ever you want to find out more about how we strive to support pupil mental wellbeing at school and explore some suggested resources for ways to do this at home, please do look at our school website and/or come and speak to a member of the staff team.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Mrs Griffiths



Forest School after February half term will take place on a Thursday for Kingfisher class, Wren class and Owl class.

Lollipop Liz

As you will be aware from previous communication, the current sponsorship to have a lollipop person in position opposite the school at drop off and pick up times is coming to an end. Lollipop Liz will therefore have her last day Friday 27th March. Nevertheless, we are pleased we will continue to see Miss Maidment daily as she continues to be part of our midday supervising team.

New Library Space!

In recent weeks we have been gradually making some improvements to our computer room and turning it into a new library space. As you know, we are always looking for ways to engage with our community, and I am pleased to say we are currently speaking with Purbeck Community Youth Group as they hope to use our library area for some upcoming sessions for families. Watch this space!



Best Seat in the House

The Best Seat in the House is awarded to pupils who have gone above and beyond to earn Track It Lights points throughout the week.



Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher



Attendance

Reception: 97.1%

Year 1: 99.3%

Year 2: 98.3%

Year 3: 92.9%

Year 4: 86.6%

Year 5: 96.1%

Year 6: 93.3%

Whole School Attendance: 95.1%

Notification of a child's absence must be reported to the school office on each day of absence.

A phone call or email must be received by the school office prior to 09:00 giving the reason for absence.

Attendance monitoring takes place regularly in school and a termly inspection is carried out by Dorset Council. If your child's absence drops below 90%, you will receive a letter expressing concern.



Diary Dates

Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February – Half Term

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Friday 6th March – Skylark Class performing at Sing for Joy concert at Wareham St Mary's Church – 14:00

all welcome

Sports Day – 22nd May = KS2 Morning & KS1 afternoon – details to follow.

