



Autumn Weekly Bulletin 05

Friday 3rd October 2025

Rooted in the community to grow and flourish

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

Dear Families,

Thank you so much to those who have ventured into the hall after school to buy some books this week. We hope you enjoy your purchases but are also very grateful as every £1 spent earns the school some credits to spend on Scholastic Books. The staff have got their wish lists at the ready and we are looking forward to adding to the rewards bookshelf in school!

Thank you also to those who have already booked a parent teacher consultation slot. As you know, before half term you have been invited to have a discussion with your child's class teacher, and I know the team are really looking forward to this opportunity. There is always a lot to fit into the time available but if you have not yet booked in, I would strongly encourage you to do so. Setting aside time for home and school to meet together like this is a really visual way to demonstrate to children that their efforts are valued. Your child's progress hinges on effective communication between parents and staff, and it would be wonderful to have 100% attendance!

On 21st and 23rd October at the parent teacher consultations, Kerry (from the school nursing team) will also host a drop in alongside the teachers' tables. She will be at the school from 3.30pm and, provided she has parents/carers turning up to speak with her, she will stay for the duration of the meeting. Kerry is there to help answer any queries you might have for her including how to encourage a varied diet, problem solve issues with toileting, strategies to support sensory needs and many other things. If you would definitely like to speak with Kerry, please let the school office know so we can let her know roughly what time you will be there and book you a slot.

The consultations are just one of the ways we try to prioritise communication. Some other examples, include our Parent Council who met on Monday this week and Miss Hardy has already scheduled sessions with a number of parents/carers to discuss provision for children with special educational needs. Lots of you have appreciated speaking to staff at drop off/pick up times and/or chatted on the phone as we have responded to queries. In addition, we always strive to share dates early in this bulletin to help parents/carers when planning logistics later in the term and we have also tried to introduce opportunities for you to come into school (e.g. Welcome Meetings at the start of term, phonics and reading workshops etc). If ever you email the school office, I hope you will feel you received a timely response from a member of the staff team. I am aware that in a world of social media it can sometimes feel helpful to share thoughts or concerns on WhatsApp groups or when chatting to other parents, but please remember that we can only respond to what we are actually told. If you ever do have any questions, please do just come and speak to us/get in touch as we will certainly aim to ensure issues are addressed promptly and collaboratively. It has also been very much appreciated when staff have received word of thanks or emails of appreciation recently too, so thank you for this. Ultimately, if we keep talking to each other we can model what open and respectful communication looks like to our pupils and, of course, such skills will help your children flourish.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Griffiths



NSPCC Kindness Week

We are excited to celebrate NSPCC Kindness Week starting Monday 6th October! This week is all about promoting kindness across our school community and reinforcing our school values such as respect, empathy, and responsibility.



Parental Involvement

We encourage families to join us in celebrating Kindness Week at home. Here are some ways you can get involved:

- Talk to your child about what kindness means and share examples from your own experiences. -
- Encourage your child to complete daily kindness challenges and reflect on how they made others feel. -
- Create a kindness jar at home where family members can write and share kind acts they've noticed. -
- Read books or watch shows that highlight themes of kindness and empathy. -
- Celebrate kind behaviour with praise or small rewards to reinforce positive actions.

Best Seat in the House



Attendance

Attendance figures for this week are:

Reception: 96.67%

Year 1: 97.33%

Year 2: 100%

Year 3: 98.24%

Year 4: 97%

Year 5: 95.56%

Year 6: 89.09%

Whole School Attendance: 94.7%

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

Tuesday 30th September – Monday 6th October- Scholastic Book Fair 15:05 – 14:45 – School Hall

Monday 6th October – Skylarks Reading Workshop for Parents/Carers - 14.15 – 15.00

Friday 10th October – World Mental Health Day – Non-uniform day, wear Yellow and donate to Young Minds

Tuesday 14th October – Owls Reading Workshop for Parents/Carers – 8.45am.

Wednesday 15th October – Harvest Festival at the Church of the Holy Rood (please bring an item – [list from Wareham Food Bank](#)) all welcome to join – 14.15

Thursday 16th October -SEND Parent/Carer /Teacher Consultations 08.30 – 16.30

Tuesday 21st October – Parent/Carer/Teacher Consultations and school nurse drop in 15.20 – 17.30

Thursday 23rd October – Parent/Carer/Teacher Consultations and school nurse drop in 15.20 17.30

Friday 24th October – Last day of half term – 15.05 finish time

[Monday 27th October – Friday October – Half Term](#)

[Monday 3rd November – INSET Day – School closed to pupils](#)

Tuesday 4th November – Return to school

Tuesday 18th November – Individual pupil photographs

Friday 12th December – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 12th December- Chartwells Christmas Lunch Day

Tuesday 16th December- Kingfisher and Wren Nativity Performance – 10am and 2pm.

Monday 15th December – Skylark Class Christmas Café – 14:15 – 15:00

Wednesday 17th December- Owl Class to lead the Christmas Service at The Church of the Holy Rood – 14:15

Thursday 18th December – Pre-School Christmas Song Performance – 14:15 – 15:00

Friday 19th December- Last day of term – 13:15 finish time

