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15<sup>th</sup> November 2019

**NEWSLETTER**

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Dear Parents,



We started the week with our Remembrance Service. I hope all who came will agree that it was a very moving service. I was extremely proud of how well all of the children behaved and of how beautifully they sang.

It was a shame that Mrs Saint was away (she was unwell) but that meant that I did have two lovely days teaching in Sharks. The children did some fabulous writing about the Remembrance Service and we also painted some rather nice pictures of beech trees in autumn. Thank you to all of the children in Sharks for being patient when I didn't quite get their normal routines.

### Parents meetings

I forgot to say thank you last week to all the parents who came in for parents' meetings. 93% of parents attended. We really do appreciate the chance to talk to you with about how your child is doing and I think the children like the chance to talk through their work with you. Don't forget Parent's Forum next week on Thursday morning after Starfish's assembly. Please come and share your views.

### Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to everyone who has made up boxes. They are being collected on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November so there is still time if you wanted to send one in.

Our own Christmas preparations are underway. Shirley Bragg from Clayesmore was in on Tuesday singing with Sharks and Porpoises. Children from Durweston have been asked to join in Born, a Christmas celebration being performed at the Blandford School on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm. Letters have been sent home asking for volunteers; please send slips back as soon as you can.





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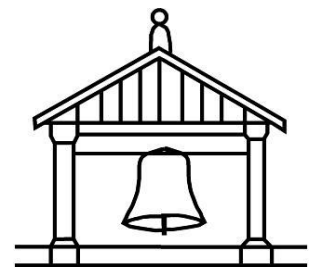
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## Spotty cakes!

Lots have been sent in today so don't forget your pennies – 20p - 50p a cake with all funds going to Children in Need.

## Attendance

Class	Attendance this week (should be 96% +)	Whole school this week	Whole school this year (we need 96%+)
Starfish	99.50% 😊😊	97.24% 😊	96.66% 😊
Dolphins	94.58%		
Seahorses	99.26% 😊😊		
Sharks	95.93%		
Porpoises	97.20% 😊		

So after saying newsletters would be coming out on Mondays, I've managed to do this one for Friday. You really can't believe a word I say.

Have a good week

Nicola Brooke

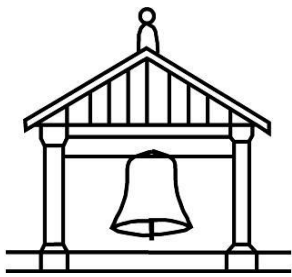
**Christmas Shopping Evening**

DURWESTON VILLAGE HALL  
THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 6:30 - 9:30PM

SHOWCASING A *handpicked selection* OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESSES AND LOCAL ARTISANS WITH A VARIETY OF STALLS INCLUDING HOMEWARE GOODIES, BEAUTY BITS, UNIQUE JEWELLERY, INSPIRED ARTWORKS, AND MUCH MORE. THE IDEAL OPPORTUNITY TO BUY THE *perfect gift* FOR THAT *special someone*.

WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP (DETAILS OVERLEAF)  
SEASONAL REFRESHMENTS • RAFFLE • FREE ENTRY





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**Wreath Making Workshop**

DURWESTON VILLAGE HALL  
THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 6:30PM & 8:00PM

JOIN US FOR A RELAXED, *creative* AND FUN WORKSHOP TO CREATE YOUR VERY OWN UNIQUE *seasonal* WREATH USING BEAUTIFUL *everlasting* CONES, FOLIAGE AND RIBBON. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

£25 FOR 90 MINUTE SESSION INCLUDING ALL MATERIALS (PLUS MULLED WINE, TEA, COFFEE AND MINCE PIE)

PLEASE CONTACT [HEATH\\_WALTON@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:HEATH_WALTON@HOTMAIL.COM) (£10 DEPOSIT REQUIRED ON BOOKING)

ALL PROCEEDS TO DURWESTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

## Dates for Your Diary

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Dolphins trip to Salisbury Cathedral
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November, 8.45am	School nurse drop in
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Dolphins Forest School
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November, 9.15am	Starfish class assembly
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November, 9.45am	Parent Forum
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	LAST WEEK FOR CLUBS
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Last Seahorse swimming lesson
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November, 6.30pm	Christmas shopping evening at Durweston Village Hall
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Mufti Day for the Christmas Fair
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	St Andrews Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December, 2.30pm	Open Afternoon
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Fayre
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> December, 5pm	BORN Christmas celebration at the Blandford School
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Starfish and Handy Paws Christmas activity morning
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December, 2pm	Dolphins and Seahorses Nativity
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	LFL Christmas lunch
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Bryanston showing of the Nutcracker ballet
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December, 6pm	Sharks and Porpoises Carol service
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December, 1pm	<b>END OF TERM</b>







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# Lantern making workshop

**Workshop Saturday 16th November  
10.00 - 14.00  
Knighton House School Art Room**



£5 - Basic materials kit & tutorial help  
to make your own willow lantern

Children U.16 must be accompanied by an adult

To book your place please contact the school office  
at Knighton - [enquiries@knightonhouse.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@knightonhouse.co.uk)  
or call 01258 452065

**Ambulant Nativity & Lantern Parade 6th Dec**

