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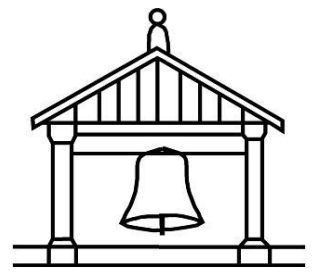
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Monday 3rd October 2022

Newsletter

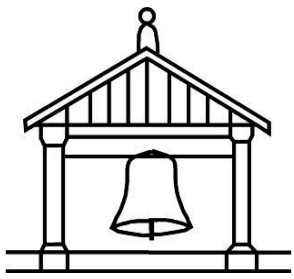
Dear Parents,

And I thought the first two weeks of term were turbulent! Really a call from OFSTED was the last thing we were expecting, this close to joining DSAT (the Diocese of Salisbury Academy Trust) But call they did on the 20th and arrived on the 21st. As I'm sure you know, the result is confidential until the report is published but suffice to say that staff, children and parents all played their part brilliantly and I am hugely proud of our school and community.



Whilst we were beavering away getting ready for the inspector's visit, Seahorses were having a great time on the farm. Mr Hosford picked them up in his trailer – the cattle seemed quite keen to join the trip – and then showed the children different types of soil and the worms that live in them.





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Seahorses were out again last week visiting Stonehenge as part of their learning about Stone Age and Bronze Age Britain.



Photos should have come home last Friday. A new photographer this year – he was a real hoot!



It was lovely to have parents in school for our MacMillan Coffee morning on Friday. Tea and coffee was drunk, cake was eaten and £150 was raised for this tremendously worthwhile cause. Everyone seemed to enjoy the chance to chat, see their children in their classes and join in our weekly Proud assembly.



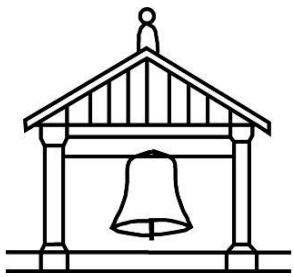
It's another Harvest Festival!

And what a corker it was. The church was packed, the singing was joyful, and the decorations were utterly amazing.

All of the children really

loved getting involved – Porpoises made the scarecrows, Sharks made the pew ends and the apple arch, Seahorses filled buckets, churns and arranged the foliage and feathers, Dolphins made the forage pots and Starfish scattered Autumn leaves. The effect was truly breathtaking. I tried and failed to capture it in photos.





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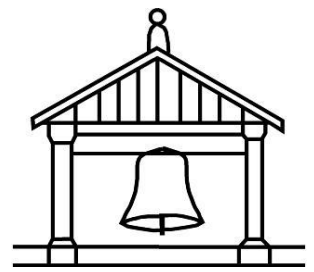
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Enormous thanks to Jules Hosford, who had the ideas, gathered the foliage, and organised an army of volunteers. A true community effort.

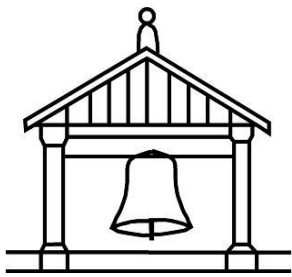


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Attendance

Class	Last week (should be 96%+)	Whole school last week	Whole school this year
Starfish	92.14%	96.12%	96.41%
Dolphins	95.56%		
Seahorses	99.35%		
Sharks	97.39%		
Porpoises	92.80%		





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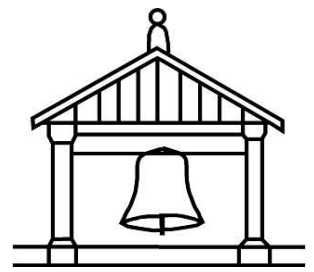
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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thursday 6th & Friday 7th October

Thursday 13th & Friday 14th October

Wednesday 19th October, 1.30pm

Thursday 20th October

Friday 21st October

Friday 21st October

Monday 24th – Friday 28th October

Monday 31st October

Monday 31st October

Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th November

Thursday 10th November

Friday 11th November

Monday 14th November

Tuesday 17th November, times tbc

Thursday 17th & Friday 18th November

Friday 18th November

Thursday 24th & Friday 25th November

Thursday 24th November. 3pm

Friday 25th November

Tuesday 29th November

Wednesday 30th November

Thursday 1st December

Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd November

Friday 2nd December

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Sharks class Forest School

Seahorse class Forest School

Parents Evening (more details to follow)

Porpoise class Forest School

Tag Rugby Festival at Bryanston School

STAFF TRAINING DAY

Autumn half term

Children return to school

Flu immunisations (Reception - Yr6)

Dolphin class Forest School

Starfish class Forest School

Remembrance Day

Anti-Bullying Week

Yr5/6 Handball Festival at Bryanston School

Sharks class Forest School

Children in Need

Seahorse class Forest School

Open afternoon

Sharks climbing wall

Scholastic Book Fair

St. Andrews Day

Yr5/6 Football Tournament

Porpoise class Forest School

Yuletide Festival

Sharks climbing wall

