

Headteacher: Mr Jonathan Rodd

Friday 24th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

In our whole school Celebration assembly this morning, we celebrated the following pupils:

Gainsborough: Morag, Jacob, Verity and Emillie

Medlycott: Eva, Herbie, Krystal and Lewis

Venn: Rosie-Leigh, Dexter, Jack and Sacha

Kingsbury: Darcy, Cameron, Amelia and Summer

Newtown: Iarina, Isabella, Rowan and Zach

Crackmore: Ami, Dexter, Emma and Melissa

I must begin this week by thanking everyone for supporting Children in Need last Friday. As a school, we raised £230.11, which was a fantastic amount. The School Councillors were most helpful in running the 'Guess how many sweets are in the jar' competition and selling lemonade was also popular.

This week, we welcomed the 'Open the Book' team from St John's, who told us the story of Zechariah. They were ably assisted by four of our Year 6 children.

Our next non-uniform day is next Friday (1st December). Please bring a donation of **one** of the following: Filled jam jar (wrapped sweets, crayons, small toys, craft bits, stickers, Lego); chocolate for the tombola or a bottle for the tombola.

I'm sure that lots of you are looking ahead to December and Christmas preparations! If your child/ren would like to send Christmas cards to their friends and staff members, the post boxes will be available from Monday 4th December. Please ensure that cards are clearly labelled with Christian names and surnames so that they are delivered to the correct recipients!

Mr Menage has asked me to publicise a Christmas holiday camp. This will be running at Sherborne Abbey Primary School each day from 9.00 am until 3.00 pm during the week beginning Monday 18th December. (4-year olds can attend from 9.00 am until 1.00 pm each day). Further details are available from Mr Menage.

Finally, a few of you have asked about After School Provision after Christmas. This will re-start on Wednesday 3rd January 2024, and you will be able to book for one hour (3.15 – 4.15pm) or two hours (3.15 – 5.15pm). Further information about this will be sent out in a separate letter next week.

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Dates for your diary:

Monday 27 th November	Nasal spray flu vaccines
Friday 1 st December	KS2 Celebration Assembly Non-uniform day – Please bring a donation of one of the following: Filled jam jar (wrapped sweets, crayons, small toys, craft bits, stickers, Lego); Chocolate for the tombola or a bottle for the tombola. Outdoor toddler group at The Beeches this afternoon
Thursday 7 th December	The Beeches Christmas Party from 12.30pm in the Hall
Friday 8 th December	KS1 Celebration Assembly Outdoor toddler group at The Beeches this afternoon
Saturday 9 th December	PTFA Winter Fayre 11.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m. School Choir will be singing.
Monday 11 th December	KS1 Nativity 10.00 a.m. School Choir singing at Wells Cathedral this evening
Tuesday 12 th December	Choir singing at Tuesday Luncheon Club at lunchtime Carol Service in Church at 2.00pm
Wednesday 13 th December	KS1 Nativity 1.45 p.m.
Thursday 14 th December	School Christmas lunch – Deadline to book on Parentpay is Tuesday 5 th December
Friday 15 th December	Whole school Celebration assembly, including Sue Laughton award End of term

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and I hope to see many of you this evening as the Milborne Port Christmas lights are switched on!

Kind regards,

Jonathan Rodd

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