



**Together Everyone Achieves More**

*Through.....  
Loving learning, loving each other and loving life  
itself  
AGAPE: The Good Samaritan (Luke 10: 25-37)*

## **Newsletter 14/09/22**

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **State Funeral: Queen Elizabeth II**

Earlier on in the week, I held a special act of Collective Worship to commemorate the Queen in readiness for the State Funeral next Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September. In line with all the other schools in the country we will be closed on that day. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school after the weekend on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair at school on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> and Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September. The fairs will run after school by the hall. This year, you will be able to buy books using cash or scanning a QR code on your phone.

We hope that you will support the fairs as our school library will directly benefit (if we sell over £399 worth of books the school will get 25% in free books).

We hope to see you all there!

### **Collective Worship Theme of the Week: Wisdom**



### **Our 'Quote' of the Week**

'Knowledge speaks but wisdom listens'

*Jimi Hendrix*

### **Our 'Big Question' of the Week**

Would you rather be a brave fool or a clever coward?

### **Well Being: Tips**

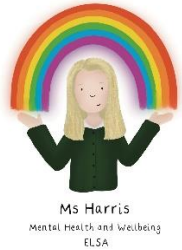
Allow yourself time to appreciate art – a picture, dance, music ... Give yourself a gift of time to absorb yourself in your chosen art piece. Notice how you are responding to it and consider why this may be. A great challenge would be to choose a different art piece or style each day this week.

### **Prayer of the Week**

Gracious God, we give thanks  
for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth,

for her faith and her dedication to duty.  
Bless our nation as we mourn her death  
and may her example continue to inspire us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### **ELSA Support**



### **Supporting Back to School Routines**

Times of change and the return to school can be a challenge. Reducing difficulties going back to school by even a small amount can make a big difference to many parents and children. Changes can feel difficult but it can provide opportunities for children to develop their understanding and resilience. If your child is particularly unsure of transitions and going back to school, here are a few ideas to help support back to school routines:

- Ensure healthy routines, including a regular bedtime and healthy diet.
- Talk about what they will be doing and explore rules and expectations
- Listen to your child, empathise and normalise feelings or fears
- Role Play and Problem Solve, try not to say "don't worry" or "you will be fine" get your child to problem solve for themselves and discuss appropriate responses.
- Model confidence, be cheerful and positive about the return to school.
- Be mindful of separation at the school gates, which can be very challenging and upsetting for some children and for parents with big emotions for everyone involved. If your child is upset, leave them with a staff member who will be ready to support them through their anxiety once you are gone.
- Resist the urge to hover outside.
- If you are concerned, please call the school office a short time later to ask if your child has settled.

For any ELSA support, please email [viharris@nc.huish.education](mailto:viharris@nc.huish.education)

### **Guitar concert**

Some of our pupils will be performing in a guitar concert on 24<sup>th</sup> September. Please see details below.

**Young  
Guitarists'  
CONCERT**  
VIVARY PARK BANDSTAND  
TAUNTON  
SATURDAY 24th SEPT 2pm

Guitarists from primary schools  
play Rock, Pop and Classical  
guitar, pupils of Colin Ayres.  
Free open air performance.  
Save the date.

## This Fortnight's Learning

	<b>English</b>	<b>Maths</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Little Herons Pre-school</b>	Mark making and sharing stories.	Colours and Autumn.	My family and me and self-portraits.	Exploring the environment, routines & routines songs, rhymes, getting to know each other & the classroom.
<b>Minnow Class</b>	Time to talk opportunities, book sharing/ story times, mark making small group time with focus on seeing how children hold their pencil.	Place value, counting, exploring resources, small group time.	Settling in, discovering interests, sharing photos/chosen object from home.	Lots of circle time games, creating our class rules, holiday news.
<b>Starfish Class</b>	Holiday news recount, Reading and story map Whatever Next book.	Place Value, Counting in 10s (Y1), 10 times table (Y2).	Introduction to Space topic (what do we know and want to find out?), Neil Armstrong.	Computing – E-safety, PSHE – hopes and fears for the year, Science – materials hunt RE – What do Christians believe about God? – The Bible and Creation
<b>Dolphin Class</b>	Stone Age Boy – story writing, developing vocabulary and character description.	Place Value – 100s, 10s and 1s. Adding and subtracting across 10.	What is pre-history? Introduction to the Stone Age.	PSHE: Being Me in My World. RE: Introduction to Hinduism. Computing: E-Safety. Science: Types of Rock.
<b>Octopus Class</b>	Recounts focusing on capital letters, full stops and question marks. Kings and queens – coordination and subordination, past and present tense.	Place Value Addition and Subtraction.	What do we know, what do we want to find out about the Tudors? Female rulers before the Tudors. Timeline/chronology work.	Computing – Esafety. PSHE – Being me in my world. Science – forces session 1 & 2 RE – What do Christians believe about God and incarnation? Music – Listening activities and recorders. French – Greetings.

<b>Shark Class</b>	Autobiography and non-chronological report.	Place value - Reading and writing large numbers. Calculation – Times tables and addition.	Evolution – extinct life forms. Inheritance - inherited traits and features.	E-safety. PSHE – Me in my World. RE – Introduction to Hinduism. French – Phonetics P.E. – Multi skills. Music – Rock Steady.
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### **School Lunch Reminder**

For **w/c 19<sup>th</sup> September** orders must be placed by **midnight on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September**. Unfortunately orders placed after this date/time will not be able to be processed and you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch for that week. *In light of the forthcoming bank holiday Monday and school closure, please ensure you do NOT order a lunch for 19th September. For those who have already ordered for that day, this will be cancelled. If you pay for lunches, this will appear as a credit on your account.*

**If your child has any special dietary requirements you must email the school office before the order cut off.**

*If you have not requested access to order a lunch and now wish to do so, please email the school office asap. Otherwise please ensure you provide a packed lunch for your child.*

Please find below the term dates for the forthcoming year as well as provisional key dates for the first half of the Autumn term.

Kind regards,



Helen Morley.

### **Key Dates: Autumn 1 Term 2022**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>School Closed due to the Funeral of Queen Elizabeth 11</b>
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>New Year R – full time Local Governing Body Meeting : 5.30</b>
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	<b>Dolphin Show and Share: 8.50</b>
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> September – Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Scholastic Book Fair</b>
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Starfish Show and Share: 8.50 Harvest Service in the Church: 2.00</b>
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Minnow and Little Herons Show and Share: 8.50</b>
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Year 6: Lifeskills Trip Year 5: Kilve Court Trip</b>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Cups Assembly: 8.50</b>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Parents' Evenings: 3.30-6.00</b>
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Year 6: Bikeability</b>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Octopus Show and Share: 8.50</b>
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	<b>RHT INSET DAY</b>
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Half term week</b>
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	<b>Back to School</b>