

Hinton St George Church of England Primary School

# Newsletter 2

#### 'Let Your Light Shine' (Matthew 5:16)

Dear Parents,

I cannot believe we only have two weeks left in school after today! Writing is part of our school development plan so it has been great to read some wonderful stories and poems over the last couple of weeks from across the school!

This week we had a science morning, and the children did some fantastic learning and as you will see, sprout class had lots of fun testing out their Lego houses.

There has also been some lovely singing around the school this week as the children prepare for their musical Harvest Service. We hope that many of you will be able to join us in church and offer a small contribution to the Lord's Larder in Yeovil. Thank you to Mr Batchelor for volunteering to deliver the donations for us.

As always, please keep an eye on the dates at the end of this newsletter as they are added to regularly. I hope to see many of you at the PFA AGM this week. The PFA work tirelessly to support the school and it would be such a shame if we are unable to fill the current positions to enable it to continue to run.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm wishes,

Mrs Charlotte Hall (Headteacher)

#### **Christian Values**

Our Christian value this term is Thankfulness. The children are continuing to explore this in class and through daily worship.





#### Headteacher's Awards

I have been delighted to give Headteacher's awards to William (year 4), Wilson (year 1), Tilly (year 2), Harlie (year 2), Eira (year 2) and two to Audrey (year 3) for their amazing writing! Well done all.





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#### PFA

Dear All,

I hope you and the children are all settling into the new term well. The PFA has got off to a riproaring start to the autumn term with the annual quiz. Quiz master Nathan didn't fail to disappoint with his brain teasers, all teams did extremely well, dusting off their general knowledge and having lots of fun at the same time! Many thanks to Ella and Sarah Smith for organising the event and for providing contestants with a delicious ploughman's supper and plenty of drinks. As always, the pudding auction was a huge hit, a big thank you to all of the bakers who provided desserts that were enjoyed on the night. I am very pleased to report that the event raised a total of £500, what a wonderful total, well done to all involved.

As I have already mentioned, the PFA AGM and regular meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th October at 6 pm at the school. We are still yet to have any interest in the Chair Position, I cannot stress to you enough that without a new Chair the PFA will no longer be able to exist, and I am not in a position to continue with this role. So please dig deep and consider whether you could take on this role, and in all likelihood share it with a very competent parent who has expressed an interest in becoming the Vice Chair. Should a Chair come forwards we look forward to a welcome event that we plan to hold to welcome new children and families at the end of October.

Hope to see you all on 10th October!

Best wishes, Poppy Kennedy. Chair PFA

# Safeguarding

If you are worried about the safety of any child, then please speak to one of the following members of staff: **Mrs Charlotte Hall**, Designated Safeguarding Lead, **Mr James Batchelor**, Deputy Safeguarding Lead, **Mrs Sarah Malik**, Governor responsible for Safeguarding.

For more information, please see our website: <u>https://hinton-st-</u> george.somerset.sch.uk/keyinformation/safeguarding/



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## Science Morning

In Sprout Class, the children were carrying out an experiment to check how waterproof different materials are. This was part of their learning about the properties of everyday materials. First the children made Lego houses then they made several roofs out of different materials. They then poured water onto the top of their different roofs to see how waterproof they are. They used Lego minifigures as measurement tools to see how far up the figures the water went.











## Data Changes & Attendance

Please can any outstanding data and consent forms be returned to the school office as soon as possible to ensure we have the most up to date contacts for your children. Thank you for your support with this.

Our overall school attendance is lower than we would like at this time of year. If your child is not able to come to school, please ring or email the school office by 9.00am. If you ring before the office is open, you can leave a message with your child's name and class and the reason why they are absent. If your child is feeling 'under the weather' a dose of paracetamol suspension may support them in managing the school day. With a cold for example children may feel under the weather in the morning or evening. If the teacher thinks your child is too poorly you will get a phone call home. You are welcome to come into school to give non-prescription medicine during the day. If your child's attendance falls below 90% within a 12-week period a letter will be sent home.

## Forest School

Last week, the year 3 Forest School children worked hard on making the outside of the school look beautiful!







# St George's Pre School

This week we have been developing the children's independence with putting on and taking off their own shoes and socks.

The children have enjoyed making the most of the good weather with lots of outdoor play, mixing paint to make different colours, role playing with the tools, and practising their skills in both the water tray and mud kitchen.

The children have embedded their learning of numerals to amounts and explored making hedgehogs using playdough and spaghetti; they have also enjoyed picking apple out of slime!











#### Dates for your Diary

#### AUTUMN FIRST HALF

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm - PFA AGM at the School

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October from 9.30am-11.30am - Open Morning for prospective parents

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 2.40pm** - Harvest Festival in the church. Please send your child with a non-perishable food donation for the Lord's Larder in Yeovil

Friday 20th October - LAST DAY OF TERM

#### AUTUMN SECOND HALF

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October – FIRST DAY OF TERM

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 1.15pm** - Rugby Festival at Wadham (Year 5/6 - individual children will be notified nearer the time)

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 2.40pm** - Remembrance Service in the church

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November - School Arts Day

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need Day (more details to follow)

Monday 20th November from 3.30pm-6.00pm - Parent's meetings

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November from 3.30pm-6.00pm - Parent's meetings

Tuesday 28th November at 2.40pm - Christingle Service in the church

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 8.30am - Outcome Morning

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 8.45am - Volunteers needed to erect the stage in the church

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** - Save the Children Christmas Jumper day (minimum £1 donation)

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am - Sprout Class Nativity dress rehearsal in the church

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm - Sprout Class Nativity Performance in the church

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** - Well-Being Day (please send your child into school in P.E kits even if it is not their P.E day)

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Whole School trip to the Pantomime in Yeovil

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm - Sapling and Oak Class Carol Service in the church

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – LAST DAY OF TERM