



Newsletter 6

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

Dear Parents,

The spring term is now in full swing! The children have settled back into a great routine since our Christmas break and are all working really hard, which is great to see.

Even though these are our two shortest half terms of the academic year, you will see we have lots of things coming up to enrich the children's learning. We are very excited that we have a new addition to our school field hopefully being erected either during or just after the half term break. We are going to be installing a Bio Dome, which will provide lots of fantastic opportunities for the children to learn about organic gardening and sustainability. If you have green fingers and would be interested in getting involved in this as a volunteer, please let me know. We hope to organise an open afternoon once it is installed so you can come and explore!

Please make a note of the dates at the end of this newsletter so that you don't miss anything. As always, we will endeavour to let you know in plenty of time if there are any changes.

Finally, thank you to everyone who has completed the parent survey, it is really useful to hear your views and create future plans together. The deadline is tomorrow, so there is still time to submit it if you would like to.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Warm wishes,

Mrs Charlotte Hall (Headteacher)

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.

Christian Values

Our Christian value this term is Hope and Aspiration. The children are beginning to explore this in class and through daily worship.





Hinton St George Church of England Primary School

PFA

Dear All,

Happy New Year. May I start our update with a big thank you for all that supported our Xmas Shopping Event, purchased reindeer food or tea towels. We have raised over £2000 for the PFA with those events. For anybody still wanting a tea towel they can be purchased from the school office. Also, a gentle reminder we are still looking for one or 2 volunteers to take on the organising of the Xmas event for this year. It was such a wonderful fund raiser it would be a huge shame if we aren't able to support the school with those funds. Please email me if you are interested (address below).

We were pleased to fund the bus and the ice-creams for the Children's panto, and we look forward to doing that again this year as I'm sure all pupils had a wonderful time.

Looking forward we have the school disco "Lets Glow" taking place on Friday 26th January from 5pm-7pm at Hinton St George Village Hall. Please don't worry if you haven't yet sent your slips back there is still time and you can purchase tickets on the night (£3 per child).

We also have the wonderful Slay the Dragon Event taking place on Sunday 25th February with the first race starting at 10.30am. Tickets can be purchased using this link: <https://buytickets.at/hintonstgeorgepfa/1070640> We are still looking for volunteers to help if you might be able to spare just a little bit of time. Please email natsjames80@gmail.com if you think you might be able to help.

Lastly please pop the 22nd of March in your diaries as our Easter Bingo event will be taking place at Merriott Village Hall. We are off to a very busy start for 2024 and we hope to continue to raise lots of funds for our wonderful school and we thank you for your continued support.

Nats James (Chair PFA)

Data Changes & Attendance

Please can any outstanding home school agreements be returned to the school office as soon as possible. Please let us know immediately if any of your details change, to ensure we have the most up to date contacts for your children. Thank you for your support with this.

Please check the term dates and avoid booking holidays during term time. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, these will not be authorised.

We appreciate that there are occasionally exceptional circumstances why children are late (such as floods or road closures); however, we have over 338 late marks since September. Please can you endeavour to ensure your child arrives at school by 8.45am.

Thank you for your support with this.



St George's Pre-School

The children have had a lovely start to 2024, settling back into the routines of Pre-School brilliantly. They have explored painting with ice cubes, and have created lots of lovely role play moments being back with their friends.

This week they have been putting on puppet shows, using the puppets to retell well known stories.





Dates for your Diary

Spring Term (First Half) 2024

Tuesday 23rd January at 2.45pm - Collective Worship in Church

Tuesday 23rd January - Football Tournament at Wadham (team of year 5/6 children)

Monday 5th February - Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6th February at 2.40pm - R.E Day Collective Worship in the church

Tuesday 6th February - Football Tournament at Wadham (team of year 3/4 children)

Friday 9th February - Whole School Pupil Voice Conference

Friday 9th February - **LAST DAY OF TERM**

Spring Term (Second Half) 2024

Monday 19th February - **FIRST DAY OF TERM**

Wednesday 21st February - CISP Pupil Voice Conference

Monday 4th March - 8th March - Careers Week

Tuesday 5th March at 6pm - PFA Meeting

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day (more details to follow)

Tuesday 12th March at 2.45pm - Collective Worship in Church

Thursday 14th March - Netball Tournament at Herne View (team of year 5/6 children)

Monday 18th March from 3.30pm-6.00pm - Parent Meetings - NO CLUBS

Tuesday 19th March - Non-Uniform day for Easter Bingo (Chocolate Donations!)

Wednesday 20th March from 3.30pm-6.00pm - Parent Meetings - NO CLUBS (only wraparound care)

Thursday 21st March - Netball Tournament at Herne View (team of year 3/4 children)

Friday 22nd March at 8.45am - Outcome Morning

Tuesday 26th March at 2.40pm - Easter Service in the Church

Thursday 28th March - **LAST DAY OF TERM**

Please remember, every Friday morning you are welcome to come in to read with your child from 8.30am.