



# Newsletter 7

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

Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who completed the parent survey. It is always a good opportunity to see how people are feeling and tackle any areas for concern. I am still collating responses and will feedback after half term.

We have had a busy last week of term. On Monday, we had our whole school 'Safer Internet Day' where the children spent some time learning about how to keep themselves safe online. Tuesday, we had our whole school R.E day, where the children explored the story of 'Joseph and his amazing technicolour dream coat' through lots of different activities and two teams of year 3 and 4 children took part in a football tournament. Thursday brought an unexpected visit from Ofsted and the children were amazing! We ended our week today with our second whole school pupil voice conference. The areas for discussion were as a result of pupil surveys and meetings with the school council. They explored questions around feeling safe, behaviour, charity work and how we can improve the children's overall school experience. I look forward to collating their thoughts when we return after the half term.

In addition to all of this, we have had the base put down for a Bio Dome that should be up and running by the beginning of March. If all goes according to plan, we hope to be opening it on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Watch this space!

I hope you all have a lovely half term break and we look forward to welcoming you back on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Warm wishes,

Mrs Charlotte Hall (Headteacher)

## Headteacher's Awards

I have been delighted to give Headteacher's awards to Bernie (year 1), Rody-June (year 1), Constance (year 1), Willow (year 1), Thomas (year 1), Dottie (year 1), Henry (year 1), Evie (year 1), Wilson (year 1), Oscar (year 1), Olivia (year 2), Lev (year 2) for their amazing writing; and Evie (year 1) for her fantastic maths! Well done, Sprouts!



## Christian Values

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





## Hinton St George Church of England Primary School

### PFA

Dear All,

I would like to start our PFA update with thanking all those adults and children that supported the Children's disco last month. It was a great event and raised over £350. Special thanks go to Ella and Sarah who were instrumental to its success. We have had really positive feedback that the children loved it.

Looking forward to our next event which is of course Slay the Dragon which takes place on 25<sup>th</sup> February with the first race starting at 10.30am. There is a 10k run around the village, a 5k Dragon's Tail run and a 2k Fun Run so something for everybody. Tickets can be purchased here: <https://buytickets.at/hintonstgeorgepfa/1070640> If you would be prepared to be a marshal or indeed a volunteer on the day please do let us know by dropping me a line at [natsjames80@gmail.com](mailto:natsjames80@gmail.com)

A reminder to return your Woodlands camping and theme park forms to Poppy so that we can get a good idea of numbers and ensure we book enough space. The date for that weekend is the 17-19<sup>th</sup> May.

We hope you all have a restful half term break, and we look forward to seeing you all at the Easter Bingo taking place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March at Merriott Village hall.

As always thank you all for your continued support in helping us raise funds for our wonderful school.

Nats James

PFA Chair

### 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,

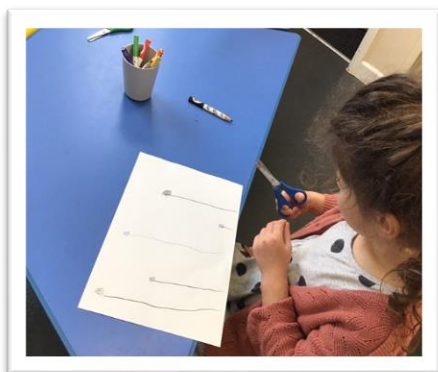
**Mrs Sarah Malik**, Governor responsible for Safeguarding.



## St George's Pre-School

The children have had lots of fun making chocolate marble muffins, and bread (at the request of one of the children), they then tried what they had made at an afternoon snack time. At snack time the children have been practising their pouring skills by pouring their own drinks. The children have also been practising their cutting skills and pancake flipping skills using Playdough.

We wish you all a lovely half term and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 19th February.

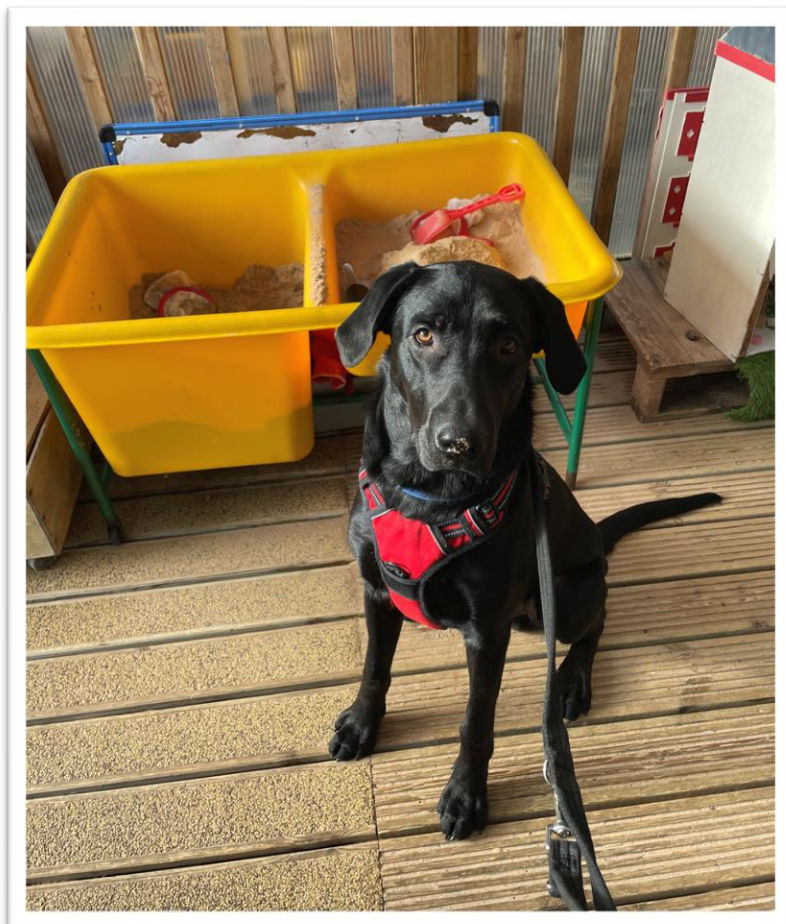




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### Therapy Dog

Over the coming term, we will be welcoming Gus our trainee therapy dog and his owner Liz Stiddard into the school. Gus will be joining us on Thursday afternoons. If you would like to know more information, please let Mrs Hall know.



### Data Changes & Attendance

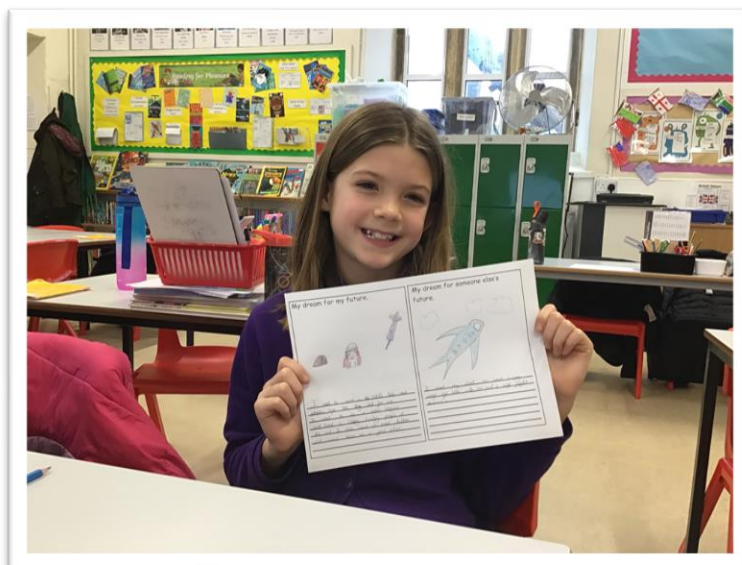
Please can any outstanding home school agreements be returned to the school office as soon as possible. Please let us know immediately if any of your details change, to ensure we have the most up to date contacts for your children. Thank you for your support with this.

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

Thank you for your support with this.



### R.E Day





## Dates for your Diary

### Spring Term (First Half) 2024

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Whole School Pupil Voice Conference

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - **LAST DAY OF TERM**

### Spring Term (Second Half) 2024

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - **FIRST DAY OF TERM**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February - CISP Pupil Voice Conference (four key stage 2 school councillors)

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March - 8<sup>th</sup> March - Careers Week

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm - PFA Meeting

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day (more details to follow)

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 2.45pm - Collective Worship in Church

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

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March from 3.30pm-6.00pm - Parent Meetings - NO CLUBS

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

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

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

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 8.45am - Outcome Morning

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 2.40pm - Easter Service in the Church

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March - **LAST DAY OF TERM**

### Summer Term (First Half) 2024

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April - **FIRST DAY OF TERM**

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