

NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2020

Dear Parents and Carers.

As I write this I cannot believe that we have already completed January and are coming up to the half way point of this academic year in two weeks' time. Once again there is so much going on at SJS that I need 25 hours in a day! All good things though.

On Monday the 27th January, we had a deep dive in reading run by the trust. This is something that Ofsted have introduced to the inspection whereby the inspectors choose up to three subjects to complete an in depth study in the quality of education for that subject known as a deep dive.

One of our Academy Improvement Partners spent the day with us looking at reading across the school which included looking at current attainment, books, resources, planning and our school library. It was a very positive and encouraging experience informing us that we are on the right track and that the reading at SJS is progressing well. Thank you to Mr Schillemore, head of English, for leading this.

These are just some of the things that we have been up to in the last 4 weeks.

Aspirations Week

Mrs Bushell put together a fantastic Aspirations Week where we had some very interesting people come in to school to talk about what they do for a living. These included: the Air Ambulance, Mr Piper a Web Designer, Mr Coles Manager of Guildhall stage, Mr Ames from the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust, Mr Moseley from Volker Fitzpatrick (a construction company), Kate Luman an Occupational Therapist just to name but a few.

We also had a visit from Amy Rogers an ex-pupil who came back to Stamshaw to show us her amazing skills on the drums.



We would like to give a big thank you to all of our guest speakers for giving up their time to share their knowledge and experiences with us.

Times Tables Day

Mr Bosnic, head of Maths, organised a TTS Rockstars Day which was a times table's based day. We were able to dress up in our finest rock star outfits and take part in a variety of times table's activities. It was great fun with lots of learning and everyone getting into the spirit of things. All your children have a login for TT Rockstars. (Times Tables Rockstars)



Woodland Trust

You may have noticed that we have partitioned the field off into two sections. The section on the other side of the blue fence will in time become our wooded area. The Woodland Trust have kindly donated 350 tree saplings which will be delivered in the Autumn Term. The children will be planting the trees for future generations as well as help to fight climate change.



Attendance for January

WB 06.01.20	3B 99.0%	3P 96.8%	4S 99.3%	4T 96.3%	5B 100% ★	5W 96.4%	6B 98.4%	6SW 93.8%
WB 13.01.20	3B 94.5%	3P 95.9%	4S 96.4%	4T 96.3%	5B 96.8%	5W 97.3% ★	6B 95.6%	6SW 96.7%
WB 20.01.20	3B 97.6%	3P 98.1%	4S 92.5%	4T 92.1%	5B 98.0%	5W 95.9% ★	6B 96.8%	6SW 89.5%
WB 27.01.20	3B 90.3%	3P 99.2%	4S 93.1%	4T 96.4%	5B 99.2%	5W 100% ★	6B 96.8%	6SW 96.7%

Celebration Assembly

Each Friday we celebrate children's achievement with our Friday celebration assembly. Since January, parents and carers have received a text on the Thursday inviting them to attend the assembly when their child has been chosen (up to two people per child). I hope that those invited have enjoyed our fun way of celebrating.

Here are a few of our winners!



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club continues to run daily from 8am at £2 a session. Please book through the office as and when you need a place.

Year 5 Swimming

Year 5 continue to have swimming lessons on Fridays at the Mountbatten Center. Currently it is 5B until half term after which it will be 5W.

The Cage

We had a school competition to rename the fenced play area known as 'The Cage'. It has now been renamed 'The Sports Zone' (Zone) We will be having some work done to the Sports Zone by installing a small retaining wall around the edge to try and stop mud oozing onto the tarmac when it rains.

Football Club (Yr 5 & 6)

Pompey in the Community continue to offer Football Club on Fridays after school at a reduced rate of £1 a session. A new letter will go out before Easter should you want to join. Year 6 have their first friendly match on Friday 7th February versus Arundel Court at home. Year 5 will have a game soon.

School Council

We are currently voting for our school council and the final voting will take place on Monday 10th February. Look out for our winners!

Dairy Dates

Date	Event
17 – 21 February	Half Term
26 February	Y6 visit to Dockyard
5 March	World Book Day
9 March	Science Week
6 th April	School Reports out
6 -17 April	Easter
20 April	Book Fair all week
21 st & 22 nd April	Parents Evenings
25 – 29 May	Half Term

Kind regards.



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