Sarum St Paul's

Church of England Primary School (VA)

Rooted in Love, Growing Together

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely week it has been at Sarum St Paul's! A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our first Stay and Share morning on Wednesday. We had a brilliant turnout and there was a wonderful buzz around the school as families played maths games together, explored different activities and had the opportunity to look through their children's maths books. It was fantastic to have so many of you in school and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. We are already looking forward to our next Stay and Share which will focus on reading and will be on 3rd December!

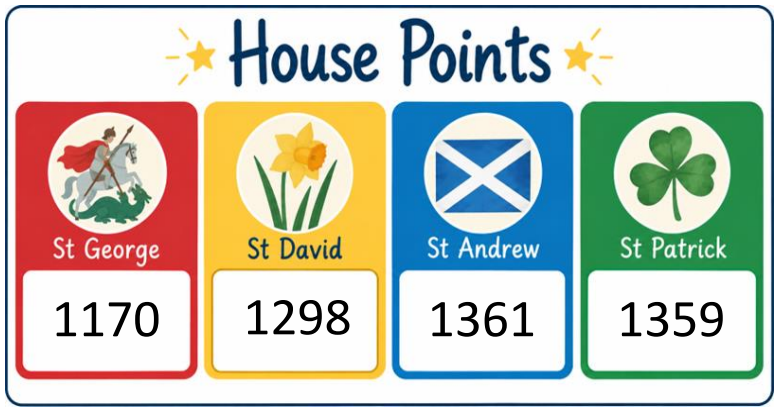
Our Year 6 boys' football team also represented the school brilliantly this week. We were so proud of the team spirit, encouragement and determination they showed throughout. Well done to you all!

Across the school, children are also beginning to prepare for our Harvest Festival, which will take place on the **last day of term, Tuesday 20th October (in the morning)**. Each class will be preparing something to share and we are really looking forward to coming together as a school community for what promises to be a lovely event. Please put the date in your diary and join us if you can! If you are able to support us with walking the children to and from the church, please let your child's class teacher know.

Finally, a huge well done to **St Andrew's House**, who have taken the lead with our house points! Keep up the fantastic work, everyone!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,
Hannah Easthope
Headteacher



Parent Governor Election – Voting Closes Monday

A final reminder that voting in our Parent Governor election closes on Monday. Please check your emails for the voting link and details of the candidates. If you have already cast your vote, please do not vote again. Thank you to everyone who has taken part.

FOSSP – Friends of Sarum St Paul's - please join their FOSSP Facebook page.

FOSSP AGM – Thursday

Please join us for our first FOSSP meeting of the year! We'll be sharing ideas for the year ahead and looking at some of the exciting dates coming up in the FOSSP calendar, including discos and other events.

We have arranged the meeting for **2.30pm, towards the end of the school day**, in the hope that this will make it easier for more people to join us before afternoon pick-up.

It would be lovely to see as many people there as possible. Coming along doesn't mean you'll be expected to take on a role or make a big commitment – it's simply a chance to meet others, share ideas and find out more about how you can get involved in supporting our wonderful school.

Remember, **FOSSP is for everyone connected with SSP** and you are very welcome!

Harvest Event – To celebrate harvest festival FOSSP are hosting a pumpkin trail on the 20th Oct after school in the YR/KS1 playground.

Find the letters on the hidden pumpkins to make a harvest related word to claim a sweet treat. 50p per child, siblings welcome to join in.

There will also be a guess the name of the teddy. 50p per guess.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Easyfundraising – FOSSP are using a great website called easyfundraising to help raise money simply by shopping online.

easyfundraising turns your everyday online shopping into FREE donations when you use them to shop with over 8,000 retailers such as eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Tesco's and Booking.com.
Retailers then make a small donation to say 'thank you' and easyfundraising gives those free funds to the cause, there is absolutely no extra charge to you as the consumer you just need to tap to donate when it prompts you.

Please register using this link – just click sign up - https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?invite=nxel0x&referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=email&char=376327

Plus, once you've raised your first £5, easyfundraising will double it!
There's no catch or hidden charges and Friends of Sarum St Paul's, Salisbury will be really grateful for your donations.

Used Uniform Sale – This will now be happening on a Thursday. The sale will continue to happen most weeks. Please check the FOSSP Facebook page to check if it is on. Uniform will be sold from the mobile classroom.

Parking Reminder

We need to repeat our reminder that the school car park must not be used by parents or carers unless this has been specifically agreed with the school in advance. Unfortunately, we are still seeing families driving into the car park, particularly when dropping off at Breakfast Club or collecting from After School Club. The car park is not available for families using our wraparound care and we ask that you please do not drive onto the school site.

Keeping the car park clear reduces vehicle movements around children, keeps access available for staff, visitors and emergency vehicles and ensures that accessible spaces remain available for those who need them.

We have also received clarification today about the use of the **Tennis Club car park**. We know that some families have been using this at afternoon pick-up, but we have been asked to make clear that **the Tennis Club car park is available to our families for morning drop-off only and should not be used at the end of the school day.** We apologise for any previous confusion around this.

To clarify, alternative parking is available at:

- **Tennis Club: morning drop-off**
- **Scout Hut: afternoon pick-up**

Please also continue to park considerately on surrounding roads and do not block the school gates, driveways or access for our neighbours.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to keep the school site safe and to be considerate of our local community.

Our Safeguarding Team

Safeguarding is at the heart of everything we do in school. Our Safeguarding Team is responsible for making sure every child feels safe, supported and listened to. We work closely with staff, families and outside agencies to promote children's wellbeing, respond to any worries or concerns and ensure the right help is in place when it is needed.

If you ever have a concern about a child's safety or wellbeing, no matter how small it may seem, please speak to a member of the safeguarding team or contact us via our dedicated safeguarding email at safeguarding@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk. We are always here to listen and to work with you to keep our children safe.

Mrs Easthope
Headteacher

Miss Martindale
Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Field
Business Manager

Mrs Beales
SENDCo

Mrs Newman
Family Link Worker

Dates For Your Diary:

Thursday 8th October – Individual Photo Day

Week beginning 19th October – Parents' Evening (more details to follow closer to the time)

Tuesday 20th October – Harvest Festival at St Paul's Church + last day of term 1 for pupils

Wednesday 21st October – INSET Day

Monday 2nd November – Back to School

Monday 7th December – Nativity at St Paul's Church (evening – time tbc) – Year R, 1 and 2

Tuesday 15th December – KS2 Carol Concert at St Paul's Church

Year Group Updates

Hedgehogs – Reception Class

- Please ensure your child has a coat with them every day now the weather is getting colder. We do a lot of outdoor learning.
- We have had to change our date for going to church. We will now be visiting St Paul's on Monday 12th October. If you are able to help up walk to church that morning, please let Mrs Gregory or Mrs Juty know. Thank you so much!

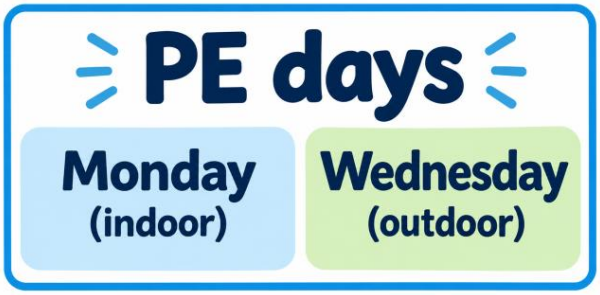
Butterflies – Year 1

- We have earned 10 coins in our class treasure chest and will have a movie afternoon as their reward on Thursday 8th October. Please bring clothes for them to change into after lunch. They must be in uniform for the morning.
- Please can you send in clean, dry recycling and boxes for our making area ☺
- Year 1 are looking for some donations of specific items to support with growing our continuous provision resources. If you have any of the following items please see someone from the Year 1 team to check they are suitable and discuss quantity before you bring them in.

  We are looking for:
  - old tyres
  - half guttering pipes for water play
  - scrap fabric for our art/DT area
  - good quality wild/zoo animal figures.

Bumblebees – Year 2

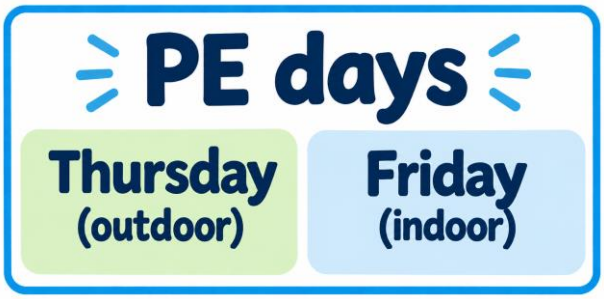
- Next week words for our Harvest Festival will be coming home, please practice these with your child.
- If you have any brown cardboard boxes around the height of A4 for a DT project please think of us.



- Please continue to read a minimum of 4 times a week with your child. It really does make a huge difference to their progress.
- Please make sure your child brings a water bottle to school, they have opportunities to fill it up throughout the day and we encourage drinking breaks.
- We are still looking for any wooden crates, large plastic tubes or guttering to use in our outdoor area. Please let us know if you have something we could use.
- Next week each child will need a cereal box, please can you think of us at breakfast time and send one in with your child.
- The best way to communicate with us is via seesaw and we are always fairly quick to respond to any queries or questions. Please continue to use it to share your child's learning at home, we love to see their work or hear about conversations you have had.

Otters – Year 3

- If you have any old white or cream bedsheets, please could you donate them to school for our DT project. Thank you!
- **5th October – Forest School**. The children are most likely to be using the woodland area. Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather. Your child MUST wear long trousers and wellies.



Dragonflies – Year 4

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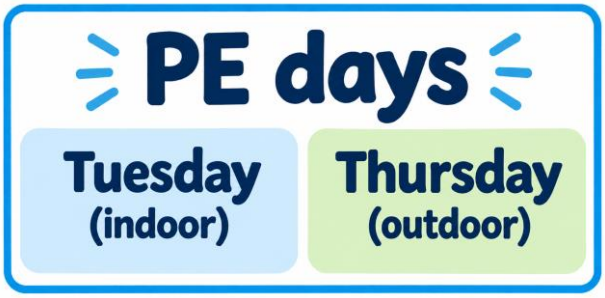

Swans – Year 5

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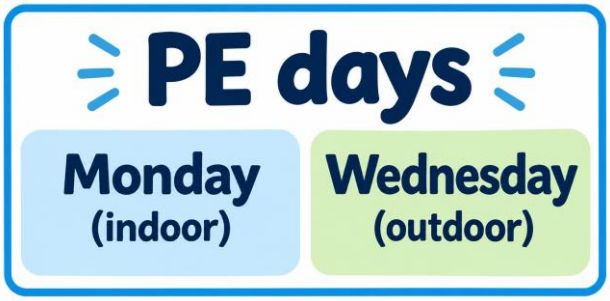
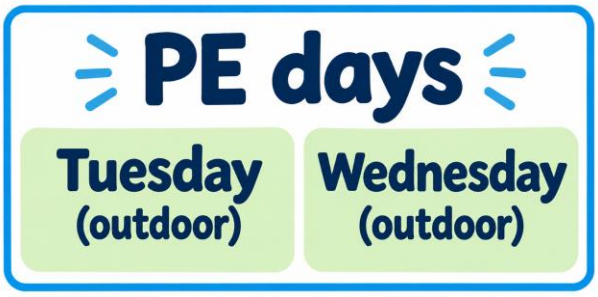


Kingfishers – Year 6

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