Pimperne CE VC Primary School Celebrate Believe Aspire

"As each one does their part, we grow in love". Ephesians 4 vs 16



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<u>Pimperne School Prayer</u>

(Written by Year 6 leavers 2014)

This is our school

Let it be full of learning and laughter

Let the classrooms be filled with encouragement and joy

Let us be safe, surrounded by our friends

May God be with us, and shine upon us with love

And let us remember to respect each other

As many hearts make a family

So many hearts make a school

And many hearts make Pimperne

Our School Values

Perseverance Compassion Courage Trust Forgiveness Selflessness Justice Respect

Focus Values this half term: Who is Jesus?

Newsletter Spring Term 1 Week Ending 9/2/2024



'Happiness can be found, even in the darkest of times, if only one remembers to turn on the light' Albus Dumbledore

We have seen such academic progress across the school this half term. We have a focus on reading and writing (including spellings and handwriting) and have seen some fantastic learning across the curriculum. There have been events, visitors, visits and a huge amount of activity.

We say a fond farewell to Mrs Brown today, who has given so much of herself to the school for 17 years. I am pleased that she is now taking time for her own family and to pursue her interests—as she says—it is not retirement but her own 'gap year'. Our thanks go out to her for her care and kindness, her commitment to every child that she has worked with and of course for the time she has devoted to improving our school. Maple class gave her a tea party (and were keen to join in having made all the preparations in secret this week!)

A special cream tea was enjoyed to wish Mrs Brown on her way and a Japanese Maple tree is to find its home in Mrs Brown's garden.





A lasting reminder!

Following a wealth of applications and interviews, we are very pleased to announce that Mrs L Edwards (not Mrs A Edwards of Year 1) will be joining the Reception team after half term. She has already been working with the children and therefore is a familiar face. We look forward to Mrs Edwards joining our team.

We do not have any update on our progress towards joining with Hamwic Trust currently, however, we hope that soon after our return from half term, we will be updated as to whether we have gained the approval of the South West Regional Headteachers Board team. After this go ahead, we will begin to work more closely with Hamwic in setting out a planned date for conversion. I remain hopeful that we will be granted the go ahead.

There is much going on in the life of the school, the work around education and the wholistic approach that we, as a school, take to ensuring (as far as we possibly can) that our children are set to thrive.

We try and keep you well informed with weekly dates and parentmail messages but do ask that you do access these and read them so that you are fully informed as to the events and new information that comes out.

For now I wish you all a safe, happy and healthy half term.

A child's prayer left in the prayer box in the Spiritual Space in our corridor:

Thank you for all the families and adults in our school. Keep them all safe and happy. Help us to remember to help others even when it is really hard. Amen



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Ephesians 4 vs.16



Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility



SPERATION ENCOMPASS

In every force. In every school, For every child

Our school is part of Operation Encompass. This is a police and education early intervention safeguarding partnership which supports children and young people who experience Domestic Abuse.

Would your child like

to learn a musical instrument?

Contact the school office if your child is interested in lessons in drums, guitar or piano.



Do you have time to hear children read each week? Our classes

are looking for volunteers who can listen and talk about books.

PLEASE



NO PEANUTS
OR
NUT PRODUCTS

These three items are kept in the display unit in the corridor. Eight years ago, at the start of my Headship here at Pimperne, they were sent by the family of a former Headteacher. A note explained that the clock was a gift given to him on his move to pastures new and the cloak was an old choristers cloak from a young lady that belong to the choir at St Peter's Church, as depicted in the picture—she was thought to be the blacksmiths daughter. We were very appreciative of the gift as a window into our history. We do love hearing stories of times in our school's past, therefore, if you or someone you know, attended Pimperne School, please share a few memories with us so that we may relive these with our children, who learn about the school's history





still in their curriculum and times in living memory and beyond. We are hoping to make a collection of all these and so it would be truly appreciated—names, descriptions, what it felt like, memorable events...

Links with St Peter's Church



Thank you so much to the many parent volunteers that joined with the Church team from St Peter's for our KS1 Christingle workshop. The children really enjoyed the

workshop and comments such as 'best day ever', 'super-cool' and 'awesome' being said on completing their own Christingle. We have thoroughly enjoyed our stories from the 'Open the book' team this term so far. If any parent or family member would like to become more involved with this side of volun-



teering, please make contact with the school office and we can put you in touch with the Church Team. Only with the support of the Church team do we have the opportunity for our Key Stage 2 classes to participate in 'Experience Church and Experience Easter' programmes. However, due to everyday circumstances we are running short of volunteers to help at the activity stations in the Church—again if anyone would be interested in hearing more, please make contact with the office, as training is given and the children benefit enormously. Thank you.

What's to come in Spring 2...?

Open the Book Book Look New Drama Club Swimming Y4 Musicianship Outdoor Learning World Book Day Dog Trust Visitor Assembly Family Music Evening Leeson House Y3/4 Learning Showcase

BOOKS!

As a school we have been investing in our library.

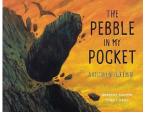
Our PTA have also agreed to fund a Key Stage 1 and a Key Stage 2 book each month from the new releases, to maintain our current drive to update and gain a range of new and familiar authors. This diversity in our book offerings will enable children to have quality texts to choose from.

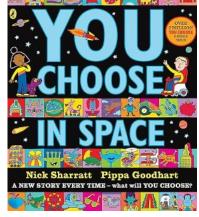
We are reminding children who borrow from the library to look after the books with care and return them as soon as they are finished with so that others can enjoy the reads too.

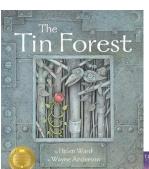




New books bought—thank you to the PTA







Huge thanks to Mrs Smith and Mrs Quincey for all their continuous work in developing the library

A few more books added to the library - as I couldn't resist!

