

Friday 19th September 2025



Jubilee Pledge:

This week we have been exploring how, as a school, we can continue the Jubilee Year by making a pledge as 'Pilgrims of Hope'. The children have shared their ideas, and we have used them to produce our pledge. You will be able to see this on the school website, as posters around school, on our social media pages and we will be sending it home via Schools' Buddy. We would encourage you to share this at home – there might be ideas you would like to adopt too, to build a fairer world, where every person, and the earth, can flourish.



National Trust Community Access Passes:

We have received our new set of passes from the National Trust for the following places:

- Corfe Castle
- Corfe NT car park
- Studland NT car park

Passes can be signed out from the school office and all the details are in a separate attachment or you can find them on the school website.

BSO Brass

We had a visit from BSO Brass today and key Stage had a wonderful concert that introduced them to a variety of brass instruments. This was to inspire the children to think about learning a brass instrument. We will be offering brass group lessons in school, and all the details have been sent home today. These lessons will be free for the first year and instruments are included. If you are interested, please use the link on the letter as places will be limited.

School Mass this term:

Mass is at 9am in the school hall – all are welcome to join us.

Friday 3rd October - St Francis

Friday 17th October - celebration of 90 years of St Mary's

Friday 7th November - Remembrance

Friday 5th December - Advent 2

Friday 19th December - Advent 4



Headlice:

We have only been back at school a couple of weeks, however we have already had a few cases of headlice. Please could you check your child's hair and treat them if needed. Please also ensure that if your child has long hair that it is tied back. Many thanks.

Reminder:

There has been a sickness bug in school, and we remind you that children should not return to school until 48 hours after the last episode of sickness/ diarrhoea.

Reception	We've had a lovely week in Reception! The children have started learning their sounds and went on a listening walk on a very windy Wellie Wednesday. Our story this week was '<i>The Colour Monster</i>'; we talked about the different feelings in the story and how we can show them. The children then painted their own wonderful colour monsters, each one unique and full of expression. It's been a busy and creative week, and we are so proud of how well the children are settling into their new routines.
Year 1	Year 1 has had another busy week. We have continued reading '<i>Rosie's Walk</i>' and have been making predictions about what might happen to the fox. In RE, we went for a wonder walk to look at all the things God has made. In History, we have looked at toys that our parents and grandparents may have played with when they were younger. We looked at the difference between those and the toys we play with. We have started our cursive writing journey this week focusing on the letter 'c'. Great work, Year 1!

		
Year 2		Team 2.7 has continued to work incredibly hard this week! In English, we have started our class text by looking at items that will appear in the story and making predictions about how they might be used or appear in the story. In Maths, we have continued counting in tens and ones and thinking about how many tens and ones are in numbers. In Art, we have found out about the artist, Piet Mondrian and then used our learning about primary and secondary colours to create our own pictures inspired by his work using felt tips and paint. In Geography, we have continued learning about the seven continents while in PE we practised our football dribbling skills. Well done, Year 2! Keep up the amazing work!
Year 3	It has been another busy week in Year 3. The children are all settling into the new class routines and are doing so with determination and a smile on their faces. We have continued to read 'Stone Age Boy' and learn about the different characters and what life was like in the Stone Age. This week we have been focusing on diary writing. Firstly, the children wrote a diary entry for the boy when he discovered he had travelled to the Stone Age. They then wrote a diary entry for Om, the Stone Age girl and what a typical day looked like for her. In Maths, we have continued to look at place value and have also been recapping the part whole method of partitioning numbers. In RE, we finished learning about the creation story and the children then wrote about the things that they were thankful for. We wish you all a wonderful weekend and look forward to welcoming the children back to class 3 next week.	
Year 4		

Year 5

Our Learning This Week

- **History:** We had some great discussions about how the **Battle of Britain** started and why it was such an important event.
- **Maths:** We worked hard on **sorting large numbers** and practiced placing them in **ascending and descending order**.
- **PE:** Our **netball skills** are really improving – especially our **footwork and movement**.
- **Science:** We carried out a fascinating investigation and discovered how to **filter salt**.



School Life

- We enjoyed **picking the school house captains** this week – a big well done to those who were chosen!
- Overall, it has been a **very positive week** in Year 5, with lots of enthusiasm and hard work.

Year 6

This week in Maths we have been practising rounding negative numbers. We have also prepared speeches and voted for our House Captains. In English we have continued our class text 'Children of the Quicksand' and about to write a setting description. In DT we have researched Fairtrade products and found out where they are from around the world. In Spanish we have recapped numbers and colours. This morning, we learnt about the Jubilee Pledge and talked about some of the things that we can do as a class.

By Nico and Ariana



Stars of the Week

 Stars of the Week!	Year 1: <i>Arthur & Joy</i> Year 2: <i>Reuben & Phoebe</i> Year 3: <i>Bonita & Saoirse</i> Year 4: <i>Christopher & Scarlett</i> Year 5: <i>Vinnie & Lily</i> Year 6: <i>Lydia & Poppy</i>
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House Captains: 2025 / 2026

Congratulations to our new house captains. We had some excellent campaign speeches from all the candidates and then each house voted to choose their new captains for the coming year.

Peveril (Red) - Max and John

Ballard (Blue) - Lydia and Tilly

Studland (Yellow) - Megan and Adi

Durlston (Green) - Zak and Imi