

Dear Parents/Carers,

## This week in school

We have had two routine visits from local authority advisors. They both enjoyed a learning walk through school, book looks and discussions with children. They were very impressed with the **behaviour and attitudes** of all learners and commented on their **positive approach** to school and **relationships** with staff and peers.

We thoroughly enjoyed our whole school Christingle service. Prior to the event, School Council made a Christingle orange for each class. On the day, our Collective Worship monitors shared readings and prayers. Thank you to Craig and Debbie from St Paul's church for putting together and leading the service.



## The Nook Club

Named by one of our pupils, the Nook is our gazebo in our outdoor classroom and is a space where we run some of our ELSA and pastoral support sessions from. This week we have started a lunchtime club which is being offered to all pupils. Staff can recommend children to attend or children can self-refer if they have any worries or concerns. The club is run by an ELSA and two Year 5/6 prefects.

Children who attend will be invited to take part in mindfulness colouring, anxiety coping strategies or activities and games to help support them, depending on their need. The club has already proven to be hugely successful and children are really benefitting from having someone they can talk to each lunchtime.

## Appointments

Please avoid making medical/dental/opticians appointments during the school day unless an emergency or no alternative. Where possible they should be made before / after school or during the school holidays.

## Key Stage 2 Home Learning Expectations

We have recently sent home information about the home learning task for Key Stage 2. If your child is feeling anxious about the thought of making a speech in front of other people, please be reassured we will make adjustments for individual needs so all can access. No child will be made to deliver their speech to others if they don't want to. If children prefer, they can video themselves doing the speech at home and this can be shared to Seesaw.

## Forest School Sessions: Thursday 19th January – Year 5 morning / Year 2 afternoon

On these days, children come to school in non-uniform, this should be suitable for the weather (including the rain!).

## St Paul's Church

Worried about managing your money in a cost-of-living crisis? Why not come along to the next CAP Money course Monday 23rd January from 10.30am-4pm at St Paul's Hope Centre. Totally free of charge with a free lunch too! To book either call 01722 334005 or email [capmoney@wearestpauls.church](mailto:capmoney@wearestpauls.church) before Wednesday 18th. For more details see [capmoneycourse.org](http://capmoneycourse.org)

## Safeguarding

*Each week we share useful safeguarding information for parents / carers. The purpose is to empower you, raise awareness to protective measures you could adopt and provide up-to-date information on trends in order to safeguard your child.*



### Our Family Link Worker – Debbie Newman

The role of a Family Link Worker is to work in partnership with parents and school. Our FLW, Debbie, can offer help and support to parents in a variety of ways: provide a listening ear for your worries, help you talk to your child's teacher or school, offer strategies and guidance about behaviour problems, give support and advice on starting school, organise family learning activities, gain access to information about other difficulties you may be having such as money worries, relationships, health, housing and more. Debbie is in school every Tuesday and Wednesday. However, she can be contacted on 07752 158827 or [PSA@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:PSA@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk).

**Debbie is on the gate every Tuesday morning, please do go and say hello!**



## FOSSP – Friends of Sarum St Paul's

**Fairy Cake Friday** will start again at the end of the month, after school from the KS2 doors. Dates:

27 <sup>th</sup> January – Year 6	3 <sup>rd</sup> February – Year 5	10 <sup>th</sup> February – Year 4	24 <sup>th</sup> February – Year 3
3 <sup>rd</sup> March – Year 2	10 <sup>th</sup> March – Year 1	17 <sup>th</sup> March – Year R	

