

"Loving to learn as we build friendship and faith"



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week in school

Year 5 have started their block of swimming lessons at Five Rivers, they've shown such perseverance. Y1 and 2 enjoyed their first singing workshop with The Cathedral School. They are working towards a Spring concert in March, more details to follow.

<u>Spring Term Dates - Please add these dates to your calendars!</u>

- Wednesday 8th February Year 1 Fundamentals festival (whole class)
- Friday 10th February Image Theatre Company delivering 'Wind in the Willows' pantomime
- Week beginning 13th February Half Term
- Monday 20th February INSET
- o Friday 24th February KS2 to St Paul's Church for a workshop
- o Thursday 2nd March World Book Day and parent 'Stay and Read' event (children can dress as book character)
- o Monday 6th March Year 3/4 trip to Stonehenge
- O Thursday 9th March parents evening
- o Friday 10th March Year 1/2 concert (time tbc)
- Tuesday 14th March parents evening
- Monday 27th March Easter service at St Paul's Church

Strike Action

On Monday we received notification from the NEU that their members have voted in favour of strike action. We **intend to remain open** on strike days, however, provision in class may look slightly different to a usual day depending on how many teachers we have striking. We will update you further as we know more.

Children's Mental Health Week

As a school, we are marking Children's Mental Health Week with a 'Dress to Express' Day on Friday February 10th. Children are encouraged to wear bright colours, fancy dress, crazy hairstyles or anything else that expresses themselves or their interests. Children will also be taking part in other activities that promote good mental health during the week.

Cost of Living

See attached document, there are many sources of support from both local and national organisations.

Forest School Sessions: Thursday 27th January – Year 3

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

Start of the Day

The doors open at 8.50am. Morning tasks and some interventions are started at this time, those arrive at 9am or after often miss these opportunities. Please arrive promptly to school.

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 Safeguarding Team

Our school has a senior member of staff who is responsible for child protection matters affecting pupils at the school (the Designated Safeguarding Lead or DSL). We also have Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL) who support the DSL. Miss Mitchell and Mrs Beales have recently completed safeguarding training and are now DDSLs. At our school, staff members responsible for safeguarding are:

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Lizzie Weavers (Miss Martindale on Thursdays)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Miss Annie Martindale, Mrs Janette Field, Mrs Debbie Newman, Miss Zoe Mitchell and Mrs Julia Beales

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: 27th January – Year 6 3rd February – Year 5 10th February – Year 4 24th February – Year 3



3rd March – Year 2 10th March – Year 1 17th March – Year R