



## IF WE BELIEVE, WE CAN ACHIEVE

Newsletter 3 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It was lovely to see so many parents at Family Friday today – thank you for your time – it means so much to the children to share their learning environment with you.

Looking ahead, the next few weeks in school are full of additional activities and exciting opportunities for our children. Samba lessons begin in Scorpions on Thursday and of course we have our MacMillan coffee morning on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September. For this event, we ask that parents bake cakes for us to serve in the hall at 10:30am where we will set up our own coffee shop. This year, our year 4 children will help run the event and we have extended our invite to the whole Sixpenny Handley community. As such the year 4 children will also offer tours to those who are not familiar with our school!

**PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL**



The Early Years Foundation Stage

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm, we have an Early Years workshop for parents of 'Ladybirds' to explain a little more about the early years approach and launch 'Tapestry' which will help parents have a clear view of their child's progress. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible.



The Parents and Friends Association will be selling of snacks on a Tuesday after school. All items will be priced between 20p and 50p.



At present we are working on the website to update certain areas such as the Facebook link which is currently unavailable. In the meantime please follow us on twitter:

**sixpennyhandleyfirstschool@twitter**



Gradually the display board outside my office is filling with interesting questions. We are celebrating questions that demonstrate our curiosity and wonder. If your child asks a thought provoking question at home please let me know so we can share it with the school!



Celebration Assembly



Independent work in guided reading



Scientific investigation



Matching numbers to objects



Planting bulbs

### Our Learning

In Ladybirds this week, we have been finding many different ways to represent our favourite number.

In Bumblebees this week, we have been creating maps.

In Grasshoppers this week, we have been sorting materials according to their various properties.

In Scorpions this week, we have been developing a range of persuasive devices in our sentence work to prepare for some letter writing about deforestation.

### Key dates:

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September – Early Years workshop – 6pm**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September – MacMillan Coffee morning – 10:30am**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October Year 4 residential at Leeson House**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Year 3 Squash Festival – Ferndown**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October Harvest Service at the church – 9:30am**

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October Open morning for prospective parents**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October INSET DAY**

Yours sincerely,

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