



IF WE BELIEVE, WE CAN ACHIEVE

COLLABORATION - CONNECTIVITY – INDEPENDENCE – INNOVATION – QUESTIONING – REFLECTION – RESILIENCE

Dear parents and carers,

On Wednesday the Adventurers celebrated the Chinese New Year with some of their parents, finishing with a feast! Then on Thursday we had our whole school Safety Day. We covered First Aid, Water Safety, E-safety and the Clever Never Goes information about keeping safe with people we do and don't know. The children responded really well but it is worth having those conversations at home about the choices we sometimes have to make and how we make them. If you haven't already, please visit the Clever Never Goes information sent home last week as it is a good starting point for discussions. www.clevernevergoes.org For KS2 (8-10yrs) there is also a useful website about e-safety www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/

Safety Day photos



Dodgeball Tournament Congratulations to our year 2 dodgeball team who took part in a competition this week and came 2nd out of the six schools who took part. Mr Read was very proud of their teamwork and honesty when they were caught.





Biathlon News

Congratulations to Woody and Patrick who heard at the end of last week that they have qualified for the nationals in their biathlon journey. We wish them well and know this will be a very exciting experience for them both.



Parents and friends

A huge thank you to Georgette and the committee for their hard work on the disco evening which raised a magnificent £900 for school funds. Thank you too, to all the parents who contributed cakes for the Pop up Valentines' Café after school today – we will let you know how much was raised after half term.

A snapshot of learning for this week:

Explorers have explored their mud theme. They have made mud paintings, gone on insect hunts and enjoyed the soil tray. Explorers have also joined in activities to celebrate Chinese new Year!



This week, in Adventurers we have really enjoyed our Chinese New Year celebrations and loved sharing it all with our families. We tried some traditional food, took part in storytelling, danced and showed off our Chinese writing and speaking skills!! We are also very excited to have started learning a new Wake and Shake routine to share with the school after half term, lots of fun!

Voyagers have sewn their superhero logos, tested different materials to find the best one for a cape and had a lovely visit from Mrs Bolton – a real live superhero who told the children about her job as a veterinary nurse! After half term we will begin our next theme taking us back in time! (Please don't reveal to your child but the next theme is Victorians and there will be a dressing up day in 2-3 weeks time in case you need half term – please let Miss Hill know if you need help with this).



In Navigators and Pioneers we have become reporters and written short paragraphs including a quote about Roger from 'I was a Rat'. We also explored the key events of the Roman invasion and became Roman legionaries with our shields. After half term, we will be starting our new favourite 5 book 'Escape from Pompeii' and exploring how volcanos are formed and can erupt.

Upcoming Dates (Please see website dates which cover dates upto July)

Monday 12th February HALF TERM

Monday 19th February INSET (School closed)

Wednesday 21st February Music concert (Instrumentalists) 2pm

Monday 4th March Fairtrade Fortnight

Wednesday 6th March Bag to School Event

Thursday 7th March World Book Day (Dress ready to travel!)

Monday 11th March Focus on Science/STEM week

Wednesday 13th March Years 1 and 2 Visit to Wimborne Museum

Thursday 21st March Year 4 Team Games Event at St Mary's First School

Tuesday March 26th Years 3 and 4 Visit to Fishbourne Roman Palace

Wednesday 27th March Year 4 Tag Rugby at CMS

Thursday 29th February Individual/Sibling photos

Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April EASTER HOLIDAYS

Wishing you all a happy half term holiday and see you back in school on **Tuesday 20th February**.

Kind regards,

Mrs Rachael Musselwhite (Headteacher)