

# Snapshots of the Week

## Week: 16 Oct to 20 Oct 2023



### This week...

Wow! What an incredible half term, it has flown by. There have been so many amazing experiences across school from sports events to author visits and quests. We are extremely proud of every child and all they have achieved this half term. We hope you all have a lovely half term break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on 30 October 2023 and the lead up to Christmas!

### LINK

All learners from The First Link enjoyed a trip out Pumpkin picking on Monday. We learnt the names of lots of different types of pumpkins and all chose one to bring back to school, we also learnt that the very big pumpkins made the wheelbarrow very heavy! We have cut them open and explored their insides and designed pumpkin faces throughout the week.

We also welcomed lots of Mums and Dads for our First Link meet and greet, we were delighted so many could attend (a great show from the Dads too!). These events are open to all family members including grandparents, who may like to see our learners and their working environment.

### Reception

Using the story 'We're all wonders', the children have identified that the events in a story have to be in order and have a beginning, middle and end in order to make sense. In our module, the children have been learning how to follow a series of instructions. They have been learning the importance of asking for help when needed. Finally, they have been learning that everyone belongs to a family, and they belong to a school community.

Thank you to all the parents for sending in pictures for our Quest. The children really look forward to sharing their art with you after half term on Friday 3rd at 14:30.

### Year One

What a busy half term we have had in Year 1! The children have settled into their new routines and have enjoyed their learning. We have been lucky enough to welcome in so many visitors. We have met the Fire and Rescue Service, had multiple parents in to tell us about their jobs (Thank you very much for this) and we have had a storyteller in for the day. The storyteller this week was fantastic and made the children laugh with his songs and his rhymes and he had their imaginations overflowing with ideas about their magic trees. We look forward to what next term brings.

### Year Two

Year 2 have been focusing on using their understanding of number bonds to 10 and 20 and how this can aid us in counting through 10s. This will eventually lead us onto to column addition, but we want to ensure the learners are confident in this skill before moving forward. In English, we have been enjoying reading and working around the book The Tiger Who Came to Tea.

### Year Three

As part of our 'Fighting Fit' module, year 3 enjoyed a visit from a representative of the Roots to Routes charity this week which works to support homeless adults in Poole. We were incredibly proud of how the children welcomed our special visitor and listened respectfully. They even had lots of questions to ask at the end!

Excitingly, the charity has asked us to raise money for them by designing, making, and selling a flavoursome, healthy soup! We have started the designing stage of this process by practising our chopping techniques and tasting existing products.

### Dorset Musketeers

Wow what a fabulous time we had during assembly this week. We were super excited to welcome Dorset Musketeers into school to talk about and demonstrate some basic fencing techniques with our learners. The session emphasised the importance our physical literacy skills of balance, agility and coordination play when involved in a sport like fencing. So proud of our learners for the engagement and respect they showed our visitors.



### Reminders for next year...

#### Clubs

Morning Clubs and After School Clubs will run as normal.

#### PE Day

Reception – Wednesday and Thursday

Year 1 – Monday and Thursday

Year 2 – Monday and Thursday

Year 3 – Tuesday and Friday

Year 4 – Tuesday and Friday

#### Calendar

November 2023						
M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

#### Reception Quest

#### Year 4 Trip

Fraser Portraits Individual Photographs  
(NO PE KIT this day please)

#### Anti-Bullying Week

### Whole School Attendance

Reception – 92.1%

Year 1 – 94.3%

Year 2 – 95.8%

Year 3 – 95.7%

Year 4 – 95.1%

Whole School – 95.2%

Clarendon

Ridgeway

Tudor

Wentworth

## House Points

This week continued...

**Harvest – Food Bank**

We would like to thank all parents/carers and children for their donations to Corfe Mullen foodbank. We had a total of over 300 items!

**PTA Announcements**

Orders and payment must be made online using the unique code on your child's order form. Please refer to your order form for further instructions. Each order form and code are unique so please do not photocopy the form. For multiple orders, please ask at the school reception for another form.

All artwork to school to be returned and orders placed by: Monday 06 November 2023. We are unable to process forms received after this date.

**CAULIFLOWER CARDS**  
Christmas Card Project raising money for our School!

**ONLINE PROJECT**

**NEW WRAPPING PAPER**

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Packs of 12 Quality A6 **CARDS**

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The graphic features a central illustration of various Christmas-themed items: a mug with a penguin, a mug with a tree, a card with a snowman, a card with gingerbread men, and several gift labels. A cartoon cauliflower character is on the left, and a starburst badge on the right says 'School Fundraising Project'. The background is white with red and green accents and snowflake icons.