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After great weather all week, our Sports Competition event for children in Years 4, 5 & 6 was a washout on Friday. Did this stop us enjoying ourselves? Certainly not! You will see on our Twitter feed lots of great indoor activities; we had the speed stacks finals, some indoor synchronised swimming and a tiddly winks competition to name a few of the creative indoor sporting activities!

Our Sports Event for Year 4,5 & 6 has been rescheduled to Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> July.

We have had a treat for the children today (and tomorrow morning). Each class is having a 'Beanology' fun session which is all about self-celebration. I know the children will have a lot of fun and will be able to come home and tell you all about it!

Next week is our Year 6 Activities Week. As we are unable to run our residential trip to the Isle of Wight, we have put together a week of activities instead. We have a street dance workshop and a visiting graffiti artist on Monday, a trip to 4kingdoms on Tuesday, we are making and launching rockets with 'Wonderstruck' on Wednesday and have a couple of days trying different activities at the water park at the end of the week. Jennifer Bayne

## Class Structure 2021-2022

I am delighted to tell you that, following approval of our budget at governors on Tuesday, we are able to afford 13 classes next year. Due to continual pupil movement and enquiries about places, a 12 class structure was going to be a challenge in terms of class sizes. 13 classes is very good news for us.

The class structure for next year will be as follows:

2x Reception classes, 2 x Year 1 classes, 2 x Year 2 classes, 3 x Year3/4 classes, 2 x Year 5 classes, 2 x Year 6 classes.

Since I last updated you with staff recruitment, there have been some minor changes. Mr Cliff (currently working in 6C as Mrs James' maternity cover) will be teaching in September. Mrs James will return from maternity leave and also have a class in September, and Mr Lossin will be returning. We have recruited 2 more teachers, Mr Shelton and Mr Harris, both of who are teaching elsewhere this year. We are excited about welcoming them to our team.

As we usually do, you will be informed of your child's class teacher for next year in the information sent out with their Annual School Report in July. Your child will have a chance to meet their class teacher during the school day at the end of term. We have a plan in place to facilitate this whilst still keeping in our current bubbles.

## Sports Week Update

WOW what a week! From Climbing Walls and Caves to Inflatable Assault Courses and Archery, Sports Week 2021 was a reminder of what St Sampson's children are capable of when challenged. We took part in Yoga, Badminton, Fencing, Cricket, Athletics, and our Lower School BEE Active afternoon. We wore our House Colours proudly for the 1st time in two years, completed class challenges, tackled the Bleep Test and Fitness Circuits. But above all else we showed determination, perseverance, compassion and a competitive spirit. We still have our Upper School BEE Active morning to run which is now scheduled to take place on **Wednesday 14th July** so years 4, 5 and 6 will need to grab their colours one more time!

SO FAR the Sports Week totals are;

- 1. St Andrew 14,340
- 2. St David 13,990
- 3. St George 12,960
- 4. St Patrick 12,900



So with all to play for we cannot wait for the final points to be added on 14th July!

Just like our Sports Week BEE Active, BEE Inspired, BEE Motivated, BEE SSP!

Mr. Smith

Thank you Mr Smith and all the staff for making this such a great week for our children  $\ensuremath{\varnothing}$ 

## Athletics Success!

We are thrilled to hear that **Harry (6C)** has been selected to represent Wiltshire in the Under 13s 100m Finals at the South West County Championships next week. He won the Wiltshire Championships 2 weeks ago and has been asked to represent the County at this event. This is a great achievement and we are really excited to hear how he gets on!



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