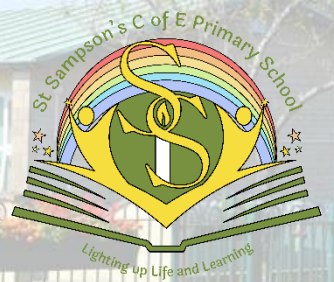




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Term 4 - Number 19

Thursday, 23rd February 2023

I hope that you all enjoyed the half term break and are feeling refreshed and full of hope as we head towards spring and Easter! We have a busy term this term, with various trips and events so please do keep an eye on the school calendar on our website, as well as the newsletter.

It was lovely to see so many children in their Scouting Movement uniforms yesterday for "World Thinking Day". We had representatives for Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers and Cubs in school! They looked fantastic and were proud to tell us a little about their uniforms and what it means to be part of their organisation.

As you might be aware, there is further industrial action planned by the NEU teaching union on Thursday, 2nd March. **School will be open for all pupils on this day.**

Please don't forget to support our Cake Sale after school today to help raise funds for those affected by the terrible earthquakes in Turkey and Syria.



Jennifer Bayne

World Book Day - Thursday, 2nd March

Children will be enjoying lots of activities around books. Older children will enjoy reading with the younger children, and some classes will get the chance to visit Cricklade Library to find out how easy it is to borrow books for free! Here are some things to remember:



- Children may come to school in their pyjamas or comfortable clothes.
- Please bring in your favourite book to share with your class. Ask your teacher if you're not sure what to choose or don't have a copy!
- You have until Monday to log as much reading as you can for the Readathon competition! Top readers will be announced - and prizes given out - on World Book Day.
- Bedtime story - following the success of last year's story time, there will be a bedtime story on Zoom at 6:15pm. Link to follow shortly.

Mrs James

NSPCC Number Day

We raised a fantastic £723.90 with Sponsorship Money from our maths challenges on NSPCC Number Day.



Thank you for supporting this worthy charity.

Cauliflower Cards

We received £288 commission from your orders of Christmas Cards and other products which has gone in to school funds. Thank you. ☺

Pre-Loved Uniform Shop Closure and a big Thank you!

We would like to say a huge thank you to Louise Bloor who has kindly organised and run a second hand uniform shop for our school over the last few years, helping generate over £1500 for school funds and also helping parents with the cost of uniform.

As a result of her increased workload, Louise is no longer able to run this venture, with immediate effect. If there are any parents, or a group of parents, who feel that they would be able to take this on, please speak with me, the office, or Louise. It would be great if we are able to keep it going.

Thank you again Louise! ☺

Wiltshire Eco Week March 6th -10th March

The Eco Team are very excited to announce that St Sampson's CE Primary School have been asked to be a part of the Wiltshire Eco week. The Eco Team have been arranging some fun things for the children to do at school within their classes as well as a home learning challenge.

The focus will be looking at climate change and how we can look after our planet.

Keep a look out for more information about the exciting home learning challenge that your child can get involved in. Eco friendly prizes will be rewarded to the best entries.

In other news, you will remember that we raised enough money at our toy sale last term to twin another toilet. Our certificate arrived this week and we have twinned a toilet with a latrine in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Many thanks for all of your support.

The Eco Team



Netball Match

On Tuesday, our netball team had a home match against Longleaze. We knew it was going to be a tough match as Longleaze came 2nd in the North Wilts Tournament before Christmas.

The game was played in great spirit and had lots of supporters. The final score was 1-11

Team: **Olivia** (captain), **Lily C**, **Lacey-Mae**, **Isla**, **Charlotte**, **Eliza** & **Lara**

Thank you to Mr Smith for umpiring & coaching and Mrs Bray for scoring.



Parents' Evenings

Parents' evenings will take place on **Wednesday, 29th March & Thursday 30th March** this term. As before, meetings between parents and the class teacher will take place in the halls (if you choose to meet in person) and there will be an opportunity to look at your child's work in their classroom.

You will be able to sign up for a slot to meet your child's class teacher in the Main Reception from Monday, 20th March. Each appointment is 9 minutes long, to allow for a minute changeover between appointments. You will have the option of a face-to-face meeting or an online meeting.

Please note that parents should only book one appointment per child.