



Dear Parents and Children,

It's hard to believe that we are already at the end of our first half-term.

Turtles have produced this newsletter to give you an idea of what we have been learning and what has been happening in the school during the last 6 weeks. *We hope you enjoy it!*

In Key Stage 1, years 1 and 2 work closely together. Our topic this term has been all about the sea-side. We have read *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch* and learnt to retell it both orally and in writing. We have magpied some great words from this story, our favourites being: scavenging, concocted and industrious!



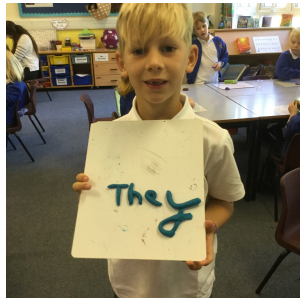
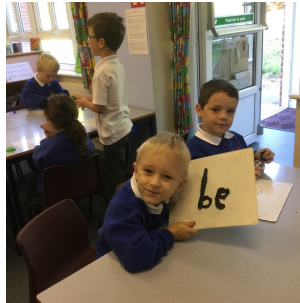
We have written instructions to make disgusting sandwiches to help Mrs Grinling keep the seagulls away from her food and tried to see the story from poor old Hamish's (the cat's) viewpoint!



The whole school have been working really hard on our spelling, especially tricky, common exception words. We call these our....

Purple Pen Words ...and they are non-negotiable!

We have been practising them in all sorts of ways!



Storm Callum

Dolphins and Turtles enjoyed practical science outside. We made the most of a very windy Friday to investigate the force of the wind. It was really difficult to hold on to our sheets of card!



Events this half term.

Trees for Dorset continue to come and work with us regularly. They support every year group from year 1 onwards and teach children how to recognise the seeds, nuts and berries of trees in our environment. Lots of these seeds are planted in pots in the hope of growing new trees. This is followed by bud identification in year 2 and the saplings from the previous year are planted into the tree nursery. In year 3 children investigate how leaves decompose and set up a wormery to observe and check on the growth of their trees. Finally, in year 4, the trees are planted out in the community (many have been planted in the local park) and the children visit the Bluebell Woods, to study an ancient woodland and admire the masses of beautiful bluebells!

Year 1 21/9/18



BBC Sing Up day: The whole school came together to sing in support of BBC sing up day. We learnt a new song with actions and every class performed their own song. We enjoyed being one of hundreds of schools around the country, singing on that day.



Turtles sang Alice the Camel had 50 humps! Luckily we counted in 10s!

Dolphins



Dolphins have been making fantastic puppets in their DT lessons this half term! Look out for them around the school!



School Council -Latest news

Meet our new council members!

Year 1 Brodie and Esme

Year 2 Lizzie and Sam

Year 3 Josh B and Ruby

Year 4 Josh A and Adele

Pupil Voice: Lewis G and Willow



School council have already organised their first fundraising event of the year!

On Friday 5th October, school council organised Crazy Sock Day to raise money for the local charity 'Mosaic'. They were pleased with how many children got involved and the school raised a wonderful £53.00! They are looking forward to raising money for Children in Need in the next half term.



Meet the staff. Interview with Mrs Austin, who is leaving this week, to have her baby.

Would you like a baby boy twins? *I don't really girl, maybe a boy. No, I*

Have you thought of any *We have some ideas but*

Do you think children think *Hopefully, most of the*

Do you want to be a head *think so, I prefer to be in and enjoying learning with the children. You never know though!*

What is your favourite lesson to teach? *I love teaching Maths, especially in Year 2!*

What is your favourite colour? *Green.*

Which do you like more, cookies or cake? *Cake!*

Do you have any pets? *Not at the moment but I would like a dog one day.*

What is your husband's name? *Jonathan, but all his friends call him 'Joggan'.*

Do you enjoy being a teacher? *Yes, I love it.*



or baby girl? Or is it *mind but as I have a am not having twins!*

names for the baby? *they are top secret!*

you are a nice teacher *time!*

teacher? *I don't the classroom teaching*

Fire Service visit.

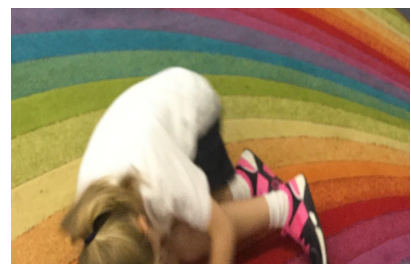
On Friday 5th October, Seahorses, Dolphins and Turtles had a visit from the Fire Service. A very friendly fireman told us how to keep safe around fire, what to do if a spark caught on our clothes, what to do in an emergency and lots more besides! Everyone quickly learnt the instructions to help us keep safe.

Can you practise them?

STOP

DROP

and ROLL.



Next term Dolphins and Turtles will be visiting Safewise in Weymouth to learn lots more ways to keep themselves safe.

We hope you enjoyed our Newsletter. Have a happy, relaxing and safe half term holiday.

