

MOUNTJOY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Making a difference today, for tomorrow

Autumn 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic Autumn term this has been. The pupils are taking part in exciting lessons and there is a buzz of learning around the school. You will know that lots of activities take place off-site as we have a holistic approach to education with a strong emphasis on preparation for adulthood, and our pupils love these opportunities.

The number of families hoping to get a place for their child at Mountjoy continues to grow, and I am excited to be working with Dorset to find solutions for this. These include the possibility of a new build nearby and other off-site accommodation.

I take pride in the collaboration we have with parents and carers. We have excellent participation in annual reviews and lots of information sharing through home-school books. Please don't wait to contact us if there's something worrying you. Your child's class

teacher is there to help or you can call me, or Richard (secondary) or Tracey (primary) if you just want to talk something through.

At the time of writing, we still have all the Christmas shenanigans to look forward to, including the Christmas Tree festivals in Bridport and Beaminster churches, Christmas Jumper Day on 8th December, and in the last week our Christmas EYFS singalong, school play, walk to St Mary's church for a service and Christmas dinner! With any luck, Father Christmas will be visiting on the last day of term when we have a special assembly for the pupils followed by class parties.

Wishing you a lovely festive season with your families and a happy, healthy New Year!

All my best wishes,

Gill



Deputy & Assistant Head Teachers

And so we come to the end of the Autumn term, and it's feeling pretty wintry! It's great to be having a normal Mountjoy Christmas this year, with no more "bubbles"! The Christmas play is scripted, in rehearsal and is full steam ahead, the trees up and twinkling, Christmas parties and whole school Christmas dinner will be happening and this year, Santa will visit properly. Christmas the Mountjoy way is back! We hope you all have a very happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you in 2023!

Governors

Dear Parents, carers, staff and friends of Mountjoy School, I'm sat at home looking out of the window at the wet blustery November weather; thinking back to the heat of the summer! At least the countries reservoirs will be filling up and we can all relax knowing that we aren't going to face water shortages. Many of us will however be worrying about rising costs as we face the winter months and the realities of increasing demands on our household budgets.

This is the same for schools and other public services; we are all working hard to provide the best for the people we serve. At Mountjoy we have rigorous controls in place to manage the budget we are allocated from the Government via Dorset Council. Careful management of this money is a key area for the Governors, Headteacher and Business Manager and one which is taken seriously. We aim to ensure that all the pupils at Mountjoy are provided with the best education, care and support we can offer them and set the budget accordingly.

The school has to prioritise spending to meet the needs of the school population, ensuring that academic learning so pupils can achieve their potential has been resourced adequately with staff training, new materials, equipment and resources all in place. We also know the needs of our pupils to feel safe, understood, allowed the right amount of independence and offered a balanced experience that will support them on their journey to adulthood. I believe we are striking the right balance and have directed funds to these crucial areas of school life.

Each time I visit the school I feel an overwhelming sense of purpose in an atmosphere of calm. I have seen the pupils work and how well so many of them are doing, making progress across key areas. The staff have risen to the challenge of a new curriculum designed to build on early foundations and higher expectations with a smile on their faces and a determination to enable all pupils to succeed and flourish. I am so proud to be part of this wonderful school and to work with professionals I like and admire.

It was an honour to be a governor and as I take up the mantle of Chair of Governors it is with gratitude to those who have served before me and have achieved so much for the school. I hope to continue this legacy and look forward to getting to know you all better and working alongside you as we all give Mountjoy our very best efforts and loyalties.

Helen Farmer, Chair of Governors

News from the office

I am including information again for pupils that may be eligible for Free School Meals. Even if they do not have a hot meal in school or are in Reception to Year 2 and have Universal Infant Free School Meals, they may be eligible for free school trips, uniform and the school will receive extra money to spend on resources.

It's easy to find out if you qualify - complete the confidential checker at dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/free-school-meals or telephone 01305 221090

If your child qualifies for free school meals, not only will they receive a healthy meal on every school day, they'll also get,

- access to free holiday clubs
- extra money for their school towards more teachers and activities

Keep up to date with news from Mountjoy School on our website <https://mountjoy.dorset.sch.uk/> and our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/mountjoyschool/>

Any questions you have, please email office@mountjoy.dorset.sch.uk or tel: 01308 861155



Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year.
Best wishes, Karen

Attendance

DfE statistics clearly show that children with persistently low attendance, that is below 90%, do not do as well at school. Please remember, that unless a child is unwell or attending a planned medical appointment, it is a parent/carers' duty to ensure their child attends school.

FROM THE CLASSES

Elm Class

The cold, crisp wintery air has finally hit! As we say goodbye to longer days and the sunshine, we welcome the everlasting hope of a snow day this year! In Elm Class, we love the outdoors, so wrapping up warm, putting our wellies on and playing down at Beach and Forest school will always be one of our favourite class activities.



This term in science we have been learning about forces and have loved our lessons with Rachel. Using magnets, we have explored objects that we can attract and repel with these. More recently, we have been learning about sinking and floating in water and getting rather wet along the way!

This month we had a very exciting visit from our friends at ZooLab and we all got to see some animals up close and personal! We were allowed to stroke the African Land Snails and even let the snake slither over the back of our hands!



With Christmas fast approaching, in class we have been busy preparing for our school production of The Polar Express where we will all be dressed up as singing and dancing reindeers! We've been busy crafting and preparing some lovely gifts to go home to our families for Christmas as well such as making homemade Christmas cards, reindeer food and some personalised baubles.

Elm Class wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and we are still holding out hope for some snow before the big day!

Maple Class

We have had a busy term in Maple Class. Our project for the first half of term was Space and as class we read *The Man on the Moon* (a day in the life of Bob). We found out about life on the space station and did some space cooking including making star biscuits and space cupcakes. Mel brought in some real space food and we tried Space Ice-cream and Space biscuits- very interesting! Most of us liked it!!

The second half of term was *The Sea* and we read *The Snail and the Whale* and looked at the countries the snail visited and also looked at snails and how they move and eat. We had a visit from Zoo lab and they had a giant land snail that we could hold.



We also looked at and held a millipede, hissing cockroach and looked at a fluorescent scorpion.

We are now busy rehearsing our Christmas performance and very excited about Christmas- we have a very naughty Christmas Elf on the shelf in class!! He is keeping us busy!! 😊

We hope everyone has a lovely Christmas.

Merry Christmas from
Carrie, Kevin, Mel, Loux, Tracey,
Jo and Juliet.



Ash Class

A new academic year and some new faces in Ash have been warmly welcomed to our class. This started early with students and staff making a visit into Bridport to try out our skills at ordering a hot breakfast. Students displayed their speaking and listening abilities and social skills as they discussed what life is like in the KS4 class.

They read menus, selected their preferred meals and drinks and demonstrated excellent social awareness conducting themselves as mature members of the secondary year groups. It also gave students an idea for when we explore making our own breakfasts.



We are fortunate to have close ties with the wonderful Manor farm in Swyre who invited us to come and join them for a day in the lambing season. This was a truly amazing opportunity. One of our class members instructed their friends on the best way to pick up and hold a new lamb; this came in very handy... Ash were thrown in at the deep-end when lambs were in everyone's arms within moments of stepping off the minibus! We then had a tour and live action lesson from Farmer Martin. This led on to being able to bottle feed some of the newborns where even the most reticent relented and were spotted hugging the fluffy, white babes. When it was time to return to school, many were reluctant to part from their new, ovine friends and checks were made to ensure no-one had attempted abduction!



The end of the school day does not always prohibit Ash from meeting up; a dance troupe recently invited us to attend an evening performance in Exeter. Using themes of Abstract Expressionism explored in Art lessons, the Russell Maliphant dance company put on a truly sensory experience.

From crossing a busy car park at night, to getting tickets from the box office students showed maturity, excitement and a willingness to engage. When the performance started in a packed-out auditorium of the Octagon theatre, we were assailed with dazzling lights and discordant sounds during which dancers showed uncanny balance and moves. While there were some who found this challenging, by the end of the performance all clapped

and could comment on which parts they'd enjoyed. And the bus journey home was a delight of teenagers relaxing, laughing and chatting about their shared experience. This has informed some of the rehearsals for our own dance ready for the Christmas play.



It's not all trips out, sometimes we undertake and engage with more traditional, academic work too. We have now taken our first round of the City and Guilds Entry Level 1 Maths examination. The English paper is to follow before we break up. Students took this assessment of their abilities seriously as they encountered questions on how to apply their practical maths skills. And for those of a more creative persuasion, the Art lessons have seen numerous interpretations of self-portrait and landscapes.



And finally, we were all in for a real treat when Zoolab paid Mountjoy a visit. Bringing many mini-beasts, students demonstrated adventurous souls as they handled snakes, millipedes, hissing cockroaches and Giant snails.



Juniper Class

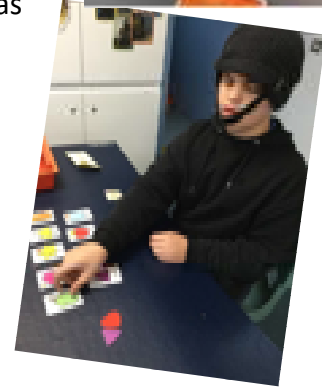
This term has been super busy in Juniper class. We have been learning all about space in science and have used our art skills to make galaxies and planets to display in our room.



We have been working hard in maths and exploring 2D shapes. We've made patterns and used shapes to create our own pictures such as rocket ships, houses and caterpillars.



Juniper love creating art work and along with all our other arty projects the boys have been creating self-portraits using cut up photos of themselves and putting them back together like a puzzle which we proudly showed in our assembly.



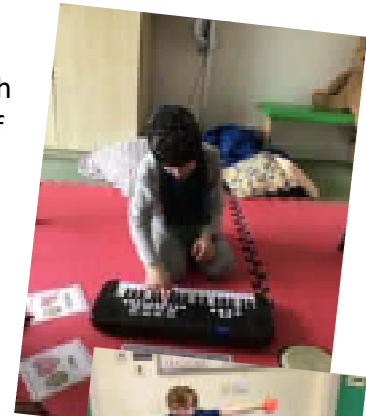
This term the whole school took part in 'Hello Yellow' Day and everyone wore yellow and took part in lots of fun activities trying new yellow food and having lots of sensory play with yellow objects.



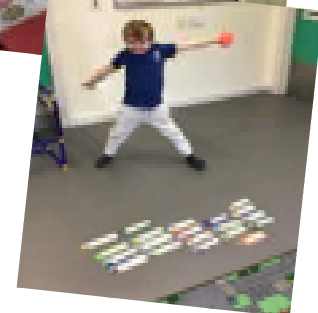
In cooking we have been spreading, stirring, mixing and pouring and have made all sorts of yummy treats for us to enjoy as an afternoon snack.



The boys have really enjoyed exploring musical instruments and making as much noise as possible with them and some of the boys get to go to orchestra and explore instruments like the sound beam and we all love singing and playing instruments in class.



Leading up to Christmas we have lots more to look forward to with our new topic under the sea and getting ready for the Christmas production. We look forward to having more fun with our learning and exploring new things as we go.



Laurel Class

It has been so wonderful to welcome back Laurel class for the beginning of the new school year. The children have been settling well into their class routines and friendships. We have welcomed 3 new members of staff into our Laurel team (**Kayley** and **Zac** are Laurel class's full time TAs and **Rachel/Gaby** share the week).



Throughout this first half of the Autumn term we have been exploring the topic 'Space'. We have focused on The Earth, sun and moon. We have been singing fun songs to help us learn facts: Did you know that you could fit 1 million Earth's inside the sun! We made moon craters by dropping marbles into flour and paint balls onto paper and watched the footage of Neil Armstrong setting foot on the moon. We used collage materials to make sun and earth sun catchers which are proudly on display in our class window.

Art has seen us going over, under, over, under... as we have been weaving! We have weaved natural materials from forest school; multi-coloured paper, fabric and wool. Some of us even managed the patience to weave in a circle! We were so proud to show these to the school in our showing assembly.

Read Write Inc phonics has continued each morning- we are now in



special groups and complete tasks at a level suitable to each of us. There are lots of quick activities to revise and learn our letter sounds to enable us to read and write words independently and confidently. Some of us have even begun to write sentences! Pen/pencil grip is a big focus in Laurel Class and we have lots of opportunities to exercise our fine and gross motor skills each day- the class particularly like playdough, pegboards, colouring and drawing.



We have the lovely Kelly Norton teaching on a Wednesday. During our time with Kelly we have been completing science activities linked to animals; Religious education and computing. We love to log on to the laptops to complete activities on purple mash; some of us have even been using purplemash at home. I will send out home logins again in case you haven't had one or have misplaced yours.



We are currently readying our elves for the Christmas performance and will shortly be making Christmas crafts, cards and goodies to take home.

Acorns Class

This term Acorns have enjoyed exploring lots of different sensory activities. A firm favourite



session has been Sensory story. The pupils have experienced 2 stories 'Zebras Rainbow Birthday Party' and 'We're going on a bear hunt'. Pupils got to feel different textures, smell different smells and taste some tasty treats as they listened to the story being read.



We have been lucky enough to have the support of the school OT this term. She has helped us to create a special circle time where we sing 4 songs; 'Everybody do this', 'Alice the camel', 'The ants go marching' and our hello song to the beat of a drum. The pupils enjoy the calming rhythm and some like to drum along with the adults too.



Acorns pupils have all been using the hydro pool this term and we can see how their confidence has grown week on week. Next term we are going to use our Mountjoy Swim programme to enhance the pupils swim skills.



We also had a visit from ZooLab this term. The pupils all got the chance to touch a range of small animals including a giant millipede, giant land snail, snake and cockroach.



Finally, we have added some new equipment to our outside area which the pupils are really enjoying. We now have some wooden balance beams, wooden steps, a big tunnel and a wood chip digging area as well as various other activities we set out each week. We are hoping to improve our outside area further in the new year.

Chestnut Class

We have had a very busy, but enjoyable first term in Chestnut class! We really enjoyed our visits to Weymouth Outdoor Education Centre (WOEC), where we had the opportunity to take part in a variety of activities including kayaking, paddle boarding and climbing. We have also had the opportunity to go swimming, improving on our water skills. "I have enjoyed playing with my friends" said Aidan.

The students have been particularly interested in science exploring different materials and types of energy. They have carried out a range of experiments, their favourites have included making the bulb light up in a circuit. Richie said, "I liked experimenting with the circuits and the lightbulbs."

The class have enjoyed cooking (and eating!) different foods each week. Heidi said, "I loved making noodles in cooking!" Abbie said, "I really like cooking, especially cupcakes!"



Oak Class

Prout Bridge Group

This half term in Oak class we have started some work with the Asker Nature Reserve in Bridport. We have visited the reserve a few times and spent a morning working with Wendy who is coordinating a project with the school and some of the other volunteers including the Town Mayor.

We collected litter, planted some trees and talked about the other projects we will be starting in the Spring term. Josh said "I am looking forward to the trees growing".



Oak Class

Oak Class have been busy helping to sort the Beach and Forest school areas ready for the rest of the school to use. They helped Emily to move all the boots and waterproofs to the new easily accessed storage. Lots of sweeping and tidying of leaves and sand. We used the leaves to make some forest school art.



They have also managed to get a trip down to West Bay although the weather wasn't particularly kind on the day we chose to go!! But we braved it and managed a quick walk along the harbour before everyone got too cold.



We have also been able to visit the off-site group at Prout Bridge more regularly, joining them for PE sessions playing Boccia together. The skills we have practised in the classroom being put into the game in the sports hall.

Hazel Class

The new School year for Hazel class has started very positively. We are getting to know each other very well and are learning to develop new friendships.

Hazel class have enjoyed learning about Kings and Queens for History in the last half term. We have focussed on Queen Elizabeth, King Henry V111 and Queen Victoria, and have held a Royal Banquet in class. We are now beginning to focus on Christianity and the meaning of Christmas for Religious Education. We will be looking at the nativity story, truth and meaning and celebration. This will prepare us for the upcoming festivities in December. Hazel class are also lucky enough to have been invited to The Lighthouse Theatre in Poole for a performance of The Jolly Christmas Postman. We are all very excited about this.



In English, we have continued to follow the Read, Write Inc. programme, it is enthusing to see how much has been remembered after the summer break. For Literacy we have been reading The Tunnel by Anthony Browne. We have had fun experiencing going through a small, dark tunnel in class, and students have sent a letter home to remind themselves what they have learnt.

In Maths we are continuing to work through the White Rose Maths curriculum. All Hazel class students are making continued small steps of progress which is fantastic to see. We will be continuing to use maths in a functional capacity this half term when we cook on a Thursday afternoon. We

will look at general kitchen skills to increase our independence.

Hazel class have been focussing on respecting differences between people and getting on with others in PSHE. We have been looking at friendships, and what makes a good friend.

Hazel class have been fortunate enough to enjoy a second year of swimming sessions at our local leisure centre. We have some fabulous swimmers in class, and the enthusiasm and motivation from all is amazing.

It has been a busy start to the Autumn term, and we are very much looking forward to what lies ahead.

Hazel Class



Rowan Class

Rowan Class have had a brilliant autumn term and settled really well into their new class and routines.

Our topic has been 'Space', we have been learning about the Solar System, planets and our home planet: Earth. We learnt about the core and mantle as well as the crust. We enjoyed making trifles to represent the Earth's layers. We also created fizzy planets, moon bread and enjoyed lots of space stories. During the second half of term we have been very busy with our learning as well as getting ready for Christmas by decorating trees, making decorations and making lots of things to bring home for the holidays.

We are very busy in Rowan class and have a full timetable weekly consisting of swimming, sensory room and soft play, PE, topic work, PSHE, English, maths, science, art, music and reading.

We have been lucky enough to have Polly, our music therapist working with the class on a Tuesday. We have explored music, rhythm, pattern, timbre and song. The children love playing with the instruments and interacting in these sessions. I have the pleasure in telling you that Polly has received further funding and she will continue with Rowan class in January for another 6 weeks!

Naturally we have been building up to Christmas and we are very excited to see you for the Christmas show! As well as practicing our song we have been making Christmas cards, arts and crafts.

We would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and best wishes for 2023.

Natalie and Rowan Team

Rowan class decorated a tree
In Beaminster Church



The tree in Bridport Church looks wonderful! What a lovely whole school effort





Our learning area for focused one-to-one work is inviting and stimulating.

Pupils love working here!





Hazel Class made a Pot of Kindness

Signalong at Mountjoy



I'm very glad to share with you that Mountjoy has been given a Silver Signalong Friendly School award by Signalong, the Communication Charity. Signalong is a key word sign-supported communication system based on British Sign Language (BSL) and is used in spoken word order. It uses speech, sign, body language, facial expression and voice tone to reference the link between sign and word. If you would like to know more, please see www.signalong.org.uk

Many of our students who have communication difficulties are helped by the use of Signalong, giving an 'extra clue' alongside the spoken word. The use of sign in this way, in spoken word order, can help some children and young people to develop spoken language if they are able to do so.

We have 'Signs of the Week' in school every week to increase our sign vocabulary. A lot of these have been filmed and are available on the school website and Facebook page. It's a great way to learn some new signs. This term I have also been teaching some other vocabulary in Ash class. This gives the students some valuable skills for use outside school as well as enabling better communication with a new classmate who relies on signing.

I occasionally run introductory Signalong workshop training days; if you are interested in these please contact me at signingwithlouise@gmail.com



Louise Heatley (TA and Signalong Tutor)

The Friends of Mountjoy (FOMS)



Following a very successful Summer Fayre that was so well supported by families and friends, we were keen to hold a "give back" event this term - a Family Autumn Disco - an opportunity for parents/carers and their young people to socialise out of school hours and have a really good time! We were so pleased to see how well attended this event was and what a great time everyone had and we will definitely be holding future events like this in the coming year.

Currently, we are fund raising with our Christmas Raffle and Christmas Crafts. Christmas Crafts will be available to buy on the school play days, 13th and 14th December, and the raffle will be drawn on the 14th December with 10 great bumper hamper prizes!

This term we have funded the cost of half of the Christmas presents to pupils and we have purchased a brand new, state of the art Sound Beam 6.

Thank you to everyone that has supported all our events in recent months - we look forward to continued fund raising... and spending, in 2023!

Tracey Page - Chair

Online Safety

This term our older students were invited to join in with a Be Internet Legends Assembly. This was online and was shared with another school. The students had to answer questions and discuss them. The assembly provoked many conversations regarding what we share online when using social media, who would we speak to and how to stay “Sharp, Alert, Secure, Kind and Brave”.

Our younger students this term have looked at emails and who is safe to chat to, who they shouldn't reply to and what to do if they've got any concerns.



Did you know.....

If you're unsure where to go for advice regarding online safety you can go on to www.thinkuknow.co.uk It's a free to use website for parents and carers as well as for students and educators. There are videos you can watch with your child and also guidance on what to do if you're concerned about anything regarding online safety.

Amazing artwork in the library makes the area welcoming and a great place to pick up a book and read.



MOVE programme – Movement for learning and life



Merry Christmas to all



Moutioy celebrates our first Graduation
Toby Page
Congratulations from MOVE programme



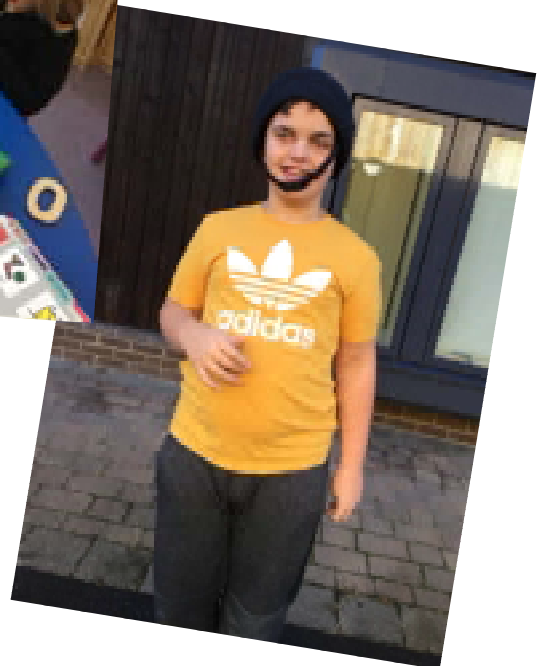
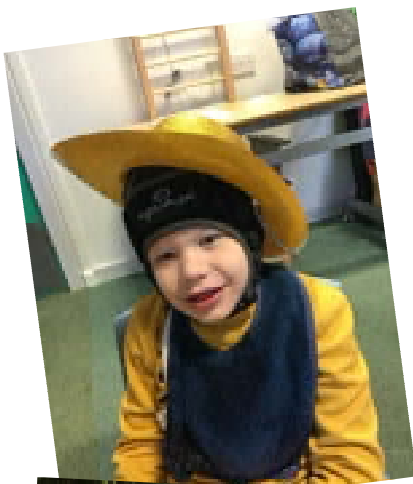
we are very proud



Hello Yellow

A huge thank you for supporting our #HelloYellow Day on Monday 10th October in celebration of World Mental Health Day 2022.

We celebrated Hello Yellow day making sure that everyone knows how they feel matters. Lots of students and staff came in dressed in yellow and did activities through the day to support their wellbeing. Oak class cooked lots of different cakes and biscuits ready for a cake sale and set up a treasure hunt for everyone to do in the afternoon. We raised over £80 for Young Minds who provide online resources and have helpline support for children and their parents.



Cheryl's Song

At the end of October, we said a fond farewell to Cheryl. Many of you will know Cheryl, because she had been at Mountjoy School for over 30 years!
Gill made up some lyrics which we all sang to Cheryl in the hall at her leaving ceremony.
Can you guess the tune? (answer at the end of the Newsletter)

Cheryl's Song

It's a little bit funny
That you share a name
With Cheryl Baker of, Eurovision fame
Though we'd never ask you
To rip off your skirt
What we're singing now-ow, is still gonna hurt.

You started at Mountjoy
Way back in the day
And worked very hard in a, dedicated way
You did lots of jobs
And rose up through the ranks
It's for all of your ser-vice, that we give our thanks.

And you can tell everybody
This is your song
You think that you're leaving
In fact, you're so wrong
We hope you don't mind
We hope you don't mind
That this isn't the end
You're stu-uck with Mountjoy
Coz you'll always be a 'Friend'.

We hope you don't mind, we hope you don't mind
That this isn't the end
You're one of the family
And we'll always be your friend.



School Council & Pupil Voice

At Mountjoy we believe that every child and young person has a voice, whether it is verbal or another means of communication. We help children to communicate because we respect their right to be heard by adults (Article 12 of the UNCRC).



There were four members of the School Council present at our meeting in December.

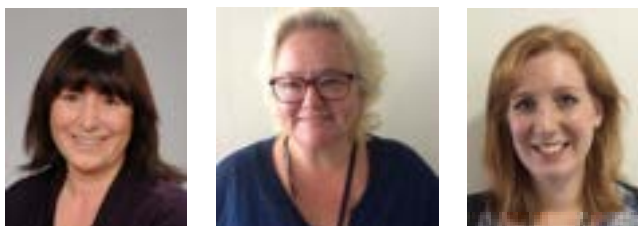
We talked about how to raise money to buy a “Buddy Bench” for the playground. A recurring theme brought to the meetings is pupils’ desire for after school clubs. Also discussed was having art and PE clubs. Older pupils would like a 6th Form prom and Hoodies for pupils leaving school. Ash class would like to do more with Beaminster School. Inviting them to Mountjoy for a disco was suggested.

Gill was at the meeting too, and she announced that there will be a PAT dog in school next year. Also, music, art and drama classes for secondary pupils could be taught by subject specialist teachers. This would mean pupils would not always be taught by their class teacher for these subjects. Just for that lesson, pupils would go to the music, art or drama classroom, just like in mainstream secondary schools. The School Council secondary representatives thought this was a good idea. They took the idea back to their classes to see what everyone thinks.

The School Council is proving to be an effective way for pupils’ voices to be heard and also for them to contribute actively in school matters that are for and about them. We’re looking forward to our next meeting in the spring term.

School Council members							
Luna		Abigail		Abel		Charlie	
Phoebe		Adam		Lily		Jazmin	
Eli		Tara					

Pastoral Support Team



Sandra, Ali and Kate



School Counsellors Emily & Helen

SAFEGUARDING

Designated
Safeguarding Lead

Gill Howard



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads

Tracey Page



Sandra Hutchings



Richard Bowskill



Emma Lambourn



Anyone can make a referral to Dorset Children's Advice and Duty Service Tel:
01305228866

Safeguarding – our highest priority

Gill Howard is our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) in school and she is always available for a chat if you have any concerns. We also have 4 Deputy DSLs, all of whom do Level 3 training regularly, so we are covered at all times with knowledgeable staff. *All* staff complete

annual training in Keeping Children Safe in Education and have regular top-ups on specific areas. We also have two online safety champions, Jenny and Iain. If you have any worries, the best thing to do is get in touch and we will help out or sign-post you to the relevant service. If you do not feel able to talk to school, the Dorset Multi-Agency Support Hub can be contacted on 01305 228866.

Private Fostering

Private fostering is the term used when someone who is not a parent or a 'close relative' (e.g., great aunt, cousin, mum's friend or a neighbour) is looking after a child or young person under the age of 16 (under 18 if they are disabled) for 28 days or more in their own home. If this is the case, anyone involved is required by law to notify the local council's Children's Services of the arrangement. A social worker will visit the home to speak to the carer and the child to ensure the child is safe, carry out background checks and make sure support is being provided.

Support available for private foster carers may include:

- advice on benefits and possible funding for some essential items
- parenting support and advice
- help in bringing families in crisis back together

Consider contacting school and speaking to Gill Howard if you need support in informing the council, or visit the Dorset Council website for more information.

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/children-families/childrens-social-care/children-in-care/family-and-friends-care/private-fostering>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Last day of Autumn term	Friday, 16 th December
First day back at school	Wednesday, 4 th January
Health and Fitness week	6 th - 10 th February
Half Term	13 th – 17 th February
Literacy week	27 th February – 3 rd March
Last day of spring term	24 th March

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Cheryl's Song was sung to the tune of Your Song by Elton John.