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John 10:10 'Life in all its fullness'

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK:

Anti-Bullying week has allowed us to come together in worships and reflect on bullying. This has included drama, poetry and creating the perfect friend. Children have learned about the different types of bullies and reminded of all the ways that can 'make a noise against bullying.' Pupils have continued to deepen their understanding of our half termly value, Friendship.

The week started with pupils from Year 6 leading our Worship and pupils wearing odd socks and BIG smiles!



Following the whole school poem that was written during Collective Worship this week, our new whole school challenge is for pupils to apply what they have learnt to write their own poem about standing up to bullying using the key language and themes they have learnt this week.

Poems are due in Wednesday 29th November 2023.



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TAKE A MOMENT FOR MENTAL HEALTH:

During last week's parents' evenings, many of you may have seen the images that were shared as part of our 'Take a Moment for Mental Health' challenge. The pictures are beautiful and remind us of the importance of taking a moment to be still and reflect in a busy world!



SPORTING EVENTS:

Over the past two weeks, it has been wonderful to see pupils across Key Stage 2 represent the school in a number of football events. Congratulations to all the children that have represented the school against other schools in the locality.



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"It was great to play against other teams. We gave it our all and came up against some tough teams."

Fred - Y6



"It was a great experience to be part of. I thought we played well and I would love to go again."

Hadley - Y6

In the coming weeks, we look forward to competing in further events, including cricket and basketball. Look out for updates on the school's Facebook and Instagram pages.

RED BOOK:

Each week, two pupils are entered into their class Red Book for displaying the school's Christian Value and/or for going above and beyond in their learning. The pupils listed below have been recognised in our whole school Collective Worship today.

Congratulations to:

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Finley T (EYS), Heidi A (EYS), Florrie H (Y1), Bella F (Y1), Swara P (Y2), Reggie B (Y2), Charlie S (Y3), Matilda R (Y3), Bailey B (Y3), Leo D (Y4), Joshua J (Y4), Daniel H (Y5), Angel J (Y5), Xavier W (Y6), Wiktor K (Y6)

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Sydney B (EYS), Noah M (EYS), Chester W (Y1), Olivia R (Y1), Logan C (Y1), Teddy B (Y2), Cythnia-Rose C (Y2), Roman O'C (Y3), Teddy E (Y3), Alfie-Joe D (Y3), Harrison E (Y4), Hollie G (Y4), Freddie P (Y5), Evie H (Y5), Malachai S (Y6), Hadley J (Y6)

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you would like more information about why your child has been selected for the Red Book.

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READING:

According to the National Literacy Trust, children who read for pleasure not only perform better academically but also develop stronger communication skills and a broader vocabulary. These advantages extend beyond the classroom.

The UK Department for Education emphasizes the correlation between reading enjoyment and academic achievement. Reading regularly exposes children to a variety of vocabulary, enhancing their language skills, comprehension, and critical thinking abilities. It also cultivates empathy as they explore different perspectives through literature.

At South Bersted Church of England Primary School, we are committed to creating an environment that nurtures a love for reading. We encourage you to actively engage in your child's reading journey by setting aside dedicated time for shared reading, discussing stories together, and visiting local libraries to explore new literary worlds.

So far this year, pupils in Key Stage 2 have read just under 10,000,000 words! Congratulations to **Angel** (Y5) who has already read 400,000 words this term!

This week's reading recommendations:



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IT'S BEGINNING TO FEEL A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS:

This week, pupils in Reception and Key Stage 1 have begun preparing for their upcoming Nativities. Please remember to visit the school office to get your tickets for these events. Attached to the newsletter is a reminder of all our Christmas events.

As with previous years, we invite pupils from Key Stage 2 to take part in our Key Stage 2 Carol Service on Wednesday 13th December. The Carol Service is an opportunity for us to join together with the church and our community. During the service, pupils across Key Stage 2 will share a range of readings that allow us to reflect and think about the true meaning of Christmas. By holding the Carol Service in the evening, we aim to create a festive atmosphere. Please complete the Google Form to state if your child will be attending and how many seats you would like at the church:

[KS 2 Carol Service](#)

IN THE NEWS:

It was great to see that we were mentioned again in this month's Hedge Hog Newsletter. For those of you that attended our Eco Badges presentation, you will recall the work that our Eco Committee are engaging in related to monitoring and promoting the wellbeing of hedgehogs.

Congratulations to the children that appear in this addition. A copy of the newsletter can be found at the end of the newsletter.



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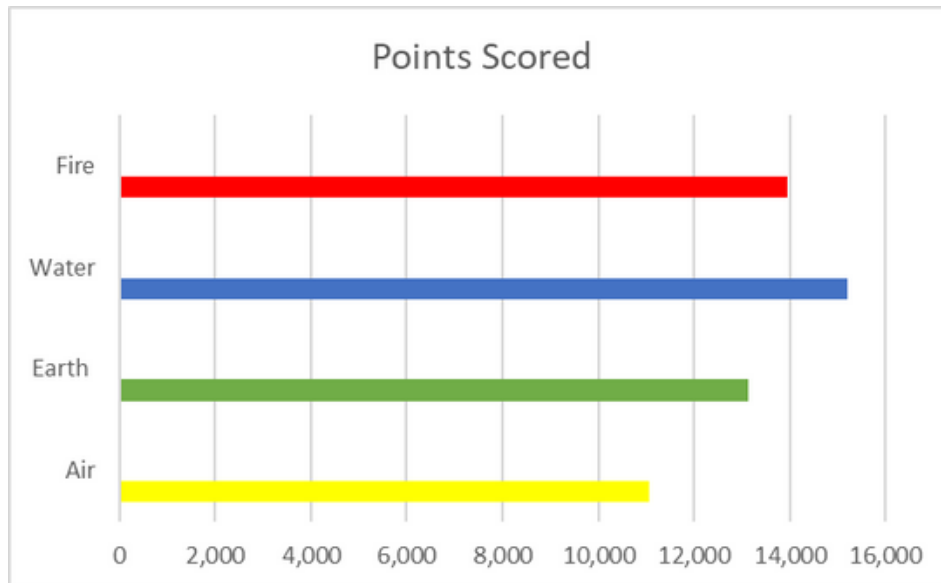


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NUMBOTS & TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS:



Congratulations to Water who earnt the most points in the most recent School Battle!



MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS:

TOMMY P (YR 4): FIRE

MAISIE M (YR 3): WATER

OLIVIA (YR 6): EARTH

JOSHUA J (YR 4): AIR

Congratulations to **George R (Y1)** who earnt 6420 coins and **Arnie M (Y2)** who earned 1715 coins on Numbots!

ACHIEVEMENTS OUT OF SCHOOL:

During Friday's Collective Worship, we have continued to celebrate the gifts and talents of our pupils. In recent weeks, we have celebrated dancers, gymnasts, cricketers, lifesavers, children who have passed their gradings in martial arts and those that represented their Scout Group at the recent Remembrance Services.



Please encourage your child to talk to their class teacher about their achievements so we can also share them with the whole school during our celebration worship. It is wonderful to see the achievements of children inspiring others!

MISSING SCOOTER:

We have a scooter that has been left at school since before half term. If this is yours please let the office know.



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CHRISTMAS LUNCH:

If your child would like a Christmas Lunch on Thursday 14th December, please ensure you have logged into ParentPay and booked your child's Christmas Lunch **by 11.59pm Thursday 30th November**.

MCAS APP:

If you have not yet downloaded the My Child At School app please do, so that you do not miss out on important information. If you need any help with downloading the app please speak to the office.

PARKING:

We have had a number of parents raise their concerns regarding parking along Orchard Way. Please ensure that you are parking considerately to ensure that our Lollipop Lady can safely check the road before letting our families cross over. With the bad weather reducing visibility recently, it's even more important that you park safely.

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LETTERS SENT HOME:

Wednesday 15th November - South Bersted Choir - Christmas Market (Various)
Wednesday 15th November - South Bersted Choir - Mayor's Service - (Various)
Friday 17th November - Key Stage 2 Carol Service (Years 3-6)
Friday 17th November - Girls Indoor Cricket Event (Various)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday 20th November - Year 3 Outdoor Learning
Wednesday 22nd November - Dedicated School's Team Drop-In (8.30am-12.30pm)
Thursday 23rd November - Football Event - (Year 5 - Various)
Thursday 23rd November - Tangmere Aviation Museum Trip (Year 6)
Friday 24th November - Non-uniform Day (All Years)
Friday 24th November - Parent Reading Afternoon (Year 1 - 3pm)

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WHOLE SCHOOL CHALLENGE:

This week during PSHE and Collective Worships, we have been exploring our feelings and managing differences.

This week has also been Anti-Bullying Week. Following on from what pupils have learnt this week, we would like to set them the challenge of creating a poem linked to what they have learnt in Collective Worships.

Key vocabulary to consider:

By Stander,
Worry Box,
Trusted Adult,
Friendship,
Worry.

Pupils should also include information on:

What if they hear or see someone being unkind:

- In school,
- Online,
- At a club.

Poems will be shared in Collective Worship:

Due in 29th November 2023





Christmas 2023 at South Bersted School

THURSDAY 30th NOVEMBER:

- Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance 'Baubles'

2.15-3.15pm – tickets are free but you must book via MCAS (maximum 3 tickets per family over both performances)

FRIDAY 1st DECEMBER:

- Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance 'Baubles'

9.00-10.15am – tickets are free but you must book via MCAS (maximum 2 tickets per family over both days)

MONDAY 4th DECEMBER:

- Children's Christmas Post Box begins

Post-boxes will be located in the Key Stage 2 communal area and the Library area – please ensure the envelope states the recipient's name and class. (Last posting date Wednesday 13th December)

- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – Christmas Film Night (Nativity 2) (U)

3.15- 5.30pm. Tickets will be on sale via MCAS, more information to follow.

TUESDAY 5th DECEMBER:

- Years 3-6 – Christmas Film Night (Nativity 2) (U)

3.15-5.30pm. Tickets will be on sale via MCAS, more information to follow.

WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER:

- Reception Christmas Performance 'A Wiggly Nativity'

2.15-3.15pm – tickets are free but you must book via MCAS (maximum 3 tickets per family, per performance)

THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER:

- Reception Christmas Performance 'A Wiggly Nativity'

9.15-10.15pm – tickets are free but you must book via MCAS (maximum 3 tickets per family, per performance)

- Christmas Market

3.15-5.00pm – Tombola, Lucky Dip, Stalls, Mulled Wine, Mince Pies and Hot Chocolate

WEDNESDAY 13th DECEMBER:

- Christingle Service (in school – children and staff only)

Children will bring home their Christingle at the end of the day

- Key Stage 2 Carol Service (St Mary Magdalene Church)

6.00pm start (children must arrive for 5.45pm in school uniform). Refreshments will be available.

THURSDAY 14th DECEMBER:

- Chartwells Christmas Lunch

Orders must be placed by 11.59pm on 30th November (contact the office with any queries)

- Christmas Jumper Day (day 1 of 2)

Children may wear a Christmas Jumper in place of their school jumper or cardigan

- Christmas Grotto (day 1 of 2)

All children will have an opportunity to meet Father Christmas in the grotto during the last 2 days of term

FRIDAY 15th DECEMBER:

- Christmas Grotto (day 2 of 2)

All children will have an opportunity to meet Father Christmas in the grotto during the last 2 days of term

- Christmas Jumper Day (day 2 of 2)

Children may wear a Christmas Jumper in place of their school jumper or cardigan

- Christmas Decorations

Children will bring home their handmade Christmas decorations

9.00-10.00am - Church Service – Parents and Carers welcome

- Break up for Christmas holidays (3.15pm)



Merry Christmas!



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The poster is framed by a dark green border decorated with various Christmas-themed illustrations. On the left, there's a gingerbread man with a blue bow tie and a candy cane. On the right, there's a gingerbread Christmas tree, a snowman, and a gingerbread house. The top and bottom are decorated with gingerbread cookies, stars, and candy canes. The central text is as follows:

COME AND SELL AT OUR

CHRISTMAS MARKET

DECEMBER 7TH • 3:15-5:00PM

TABLE COSTS: £10 PLUS RAFFLE PRIZE

SOUTH BERSTED C OF E SCHOOL
CHURCH LANE, BOGNOR REGIS

FOR MORE INFO AND TO BOOK, EMAIL:
FRIENDSOFSOUTHBERSTEDSCHOOL@GMAIL.COM

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NON-UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

Children may come to school in non-uniform in return for a donation for the

CHRISTMAS MARKET *bottle tombola*

Bottles can include shampoo, wine, spirits, bubble bath etc (only full, unopened & in date bottles please)

