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Newsletter: Friday 6th February 2026

A prayer for the Presentation of the Lord (2nd Feb)

"God, we pray that Jesus' example may light our life paths and our daily decision-making; that You may shine His gospel message of light and hope into the darkest corners of the Earth; that You may cast His searchlight, through Your Spirit, on the motivations and attitudes of our hearts".

Thank you for your kindness

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for your kindness and support while I have been off sick. Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers and cards — they truly meant a lot to me.

Returning to school for three mornings this week has been overwhelming at times; however, I have been so touched by the warmth, care and encouragement shown by everyone. The welcome I have received and the many check-ins have made a real difference.

I feel incredibly grateful to work in such a lovely school, with an amazing team behind me, and to have such a wonderful group of parents and children.

Thank you again for everything.

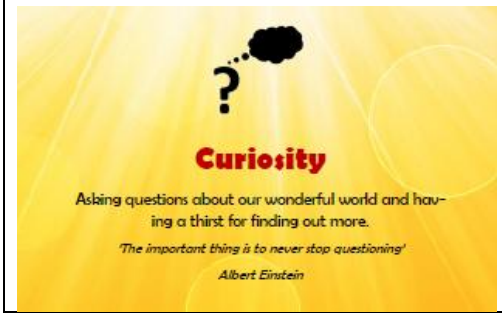
School Values

Our School Values are:

Stewardship; respect; curiosity; forgiveness; love and resilience.

This term we are focussing on Curiosity

If your children show curiosity at home, please send in photos and what they have done to THarvey@sjt.thedcet.com and we will share this in our Celebration Assemblies on Fridays and pop them in the newsletter.



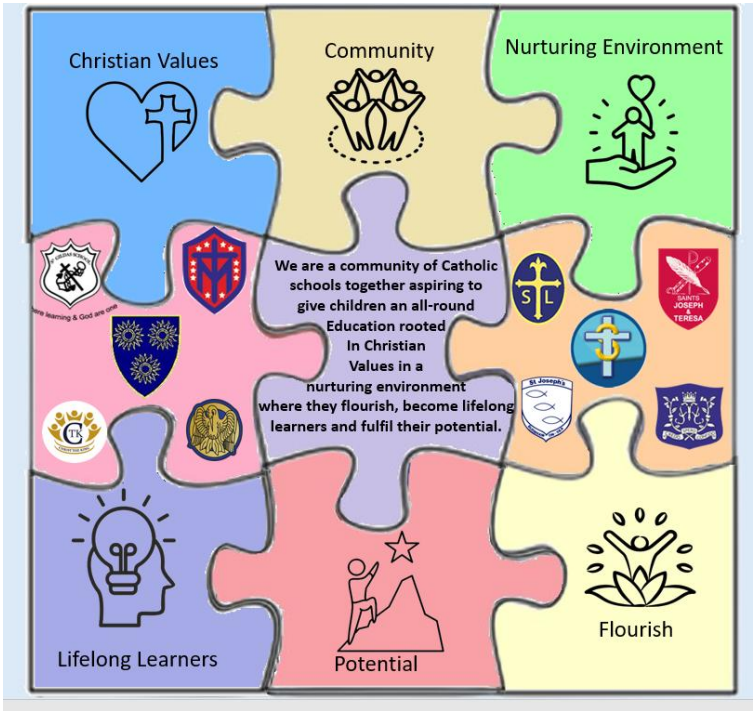
I look forward to hearing from you sharing how great your children are at showing curiosity at home.

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DCET Trust's vision for their schools

Please see the below for the DCET Trust's vision for their schools.

You will notice the vision in the middle of the jigsaw. We have then taken the key words that we believe will have the biggest impact on our pupils from the vision.



Wall of Fame Board

Our new and improved achievement board is up - please don't forget to share your children's achievements with us, we love seeing their out-of-school achievements.

Thank you, Miss Mckinley.

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Poppy (Einstein Class) was awarded Gymnast of the Week this week for her session at Shepton Mallet Gymnastics Club. Poppy got the certificate for learning a new skill, handstand to straight back and for trying hard and listening to her coaches. Congratulations Poppy.

Key Dates for this month

February	
Week beginning 9th February	Children's mental health week
Monday 9th February	Shakespeare Class Cake Sale 3.15 pm
Tuesday 10th February	Shakespeare & Einstein Class Sharing 2.15pm
~~**Wednesday 11th February**~~ ***CHANGE OF TIME AND DATE*** **Thursday 12th February**	 Malala Sharing afternoon 2pm
Week beginning 16th February	HALF TERM

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend

We send our best wishes to all of the school community. May you have a restful weekend and we look forward to welcoming the children back again on Monday.

Important notice for Wraparound

To support our safeguarding procedures. All school gates, including the staff car park near the hive will be locked from half past 3. When you are coming to pick up pupils from Wraparound care after school, please contact the school on **01749 440239** to let the staff know you are there and they will let you in.

Also, if you are running late, please also use the above number to let wraparound staff know.

Many thanks for your support.

Events that have taken place this week or previously:

National Story Telling Week:

Nightingale class had a visit from Siobhan Goodwin to tell them the local legend of the Worminster Dragon. The children loved hearing about how Bishop Joycelyn came out of his home, the Bishop's Palace, to save the day. They learnt that the dragon is remembered every 50 years to stop it returning. They looked on local maps to see where the dragon's home was in relation to their homes and school as well as completing a range of exciting activities.

Year 5/6 Sports Festival

Years 5 and 6 had the pleasure of going up to the Blue School on Wednesday afternoon for a sports festival and had a great time.

RSPCA Workshops

Thank you so much for all of your donations for the West Hatch branch of the RSPCA - the staff are extremely grateful. All of the children really enjoyed their 'Hedgehog' workshops on Thursday! If you'd like to see some photos of our workshops, please visit our social media pages.

Great Learning

Great learning has taken place in all classes this week – please see our new Facebook and Instagram account!

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61576247230425

instagram.com/sjt.stt

Events to look forward to:

Shakespeare Class Cake Sale! 9th February

Shakespeare Class are holding our class cake sale on Monday 9th February 2026 at 3:15pm. We would very much appreciate any donations of cakes on the day! All proceeds will go towards new books for our book corner! Please support us by bringing cash on the day to

buy a cake.

Many Thanks

Mrs Bomani and Mrs Garstang

Einstein and Shakespeare classes sharing afternoon – 10th Feb

Einstein and Shakespeare Classes sharing afternoon is taking place on Tuesday 10th February at 2.15pm – we look forward to welcoming Einstein and Shakespeare parents / grandparents.

Malala Class sharing afternoon – 12th Feb

Malala Class sharing afternoon is taking place on Thursday 12th February at 2pm – we look forward to welcoming Malala parents / grandparents.

World Book Day 2026: THURSDAY 5th MARCH

On Thursday 5th March we will be celebrating World Book Day. The children are welcome to come into school **dressed as a character of their choice OR dressed in their pyjamas**. We encourage you to use things you already have at home rather than buying anything brand new.

The children will be participating in the Somerset World Book Day event with the charity Next Stage Somerset. This forms part of our careers curriculum in school and involves a special visitor reading a story to the children and talking about their job.

In addition to this, the children will be taking part in a variety of activities in their classes. The children will also come home with their World Book Day voucher. This can be exchanged for a £1 book in several shops locally. We look forward to seeing the children in their costumes and pyjamas.

Many Thanks,
Mrs Nicola Willmott
English Lead Teacher

PTFA Easter Bazaar!

Do you know anyone that runs any of the following businesses?

Cakes & Bakes, Handmade Clothes, Vintage Clothes, Handmade Toys? Please let them know we are looking for stalls holders Saturday 28th March 10-1 at the School. (Save the date to

come along too!)

Thanks!



Parish News

Please see attached this week's newsletter.

Please see below link to access the Wednesday Word

https://www.stjosephandstteresa.co.uk/wednesday-word/

Celebration

This term we are focussing on the value Curiosity.

This week we gave certificates for curiosity and the school values. We also awarded certificates to our Writers of the Month!

Congratulations to those pupils who have received certificates today.

Nightingale

Congratulations to Natalia! The staff in Nightingale Class have noticed your consistent effort

to follow the rules and set a good example to others. You listen carefully to instructions and always aim to do your best.

Congratulations to Freddie! You have worked really hard this week to participate in whole class discussions. You have shown wonderful curiosity, particularly when we listened to local legends about dragons!

Einstein

Well done to Scarlett for being ready, safe and respectful. Scarlett always shows respect to others, is safe in her play and shows a readiness to learn. She listens carefully to others and shows great attention to detail. Great work Scarlett!

Well done to Finley for showing curiosity in his learning this week. Finley has shown great problem solving and reasoning skills in his learning and has been a great role model to others by articulating his ideas in whole class discussions. Super work Finley!

Shakespeare

Well done to Jeremi for showing great curiosity in all of his learning. This was particularly evident in maths this week when we were dividing with remainders and also during science when we were grouping rocks by their physical properties. Jeremi has lots of knowledge to share that the rest of us can learn from. Thank you Jeremi!

Well done to Maggie for being an amazing helping hand in our classroom. Maggie always shows kindness and respect towards the other children and adults in our class and it does not go unnoticed. Thank you Maggie!

Rosa Parks

Evan has been really curious about his learning this week, trying really hard to understand his fraction knowledge of finding fractions of amounts. Well done.

Ella has shown wonderful positive behaviour, being safe, respectful and ready. She has respected everyone's needs, supported her close friends, and always had a smile on her face. Well done, Ella.

Malala

Congratulations to Ru for showing curiosity this week. Ru has shown a wonderful level of engagement this academic year, striving to do his best in all he does. His work this week when completing his informal assessments have shown wonderful progress and I am extremely proud of his achievements. Well done, Ru. Keep it going!

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Congratulations to Aidan for being safe, ready and respectful. Aidan was complemented by a parent volunteer during our trip to Wells Blue for a Y5/6 Sports Festival, as it was noticed how he was including everyone in his team during a game of bench ball. It was lovely to hear and I know that Aidan will continue to demonstrate this to others at school. Well done!

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March	
Week beginning 2nd March	Science Week National Careers Week
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day
Week beginning 9th March	KS1 Assessments
Wednesday 11th March	Rosa Parks Class assembly 8.50am
Thursday 12th March	Shakespeare Class Liturgy 2.30pm Nightingale Sharing afternoon 2.30pm Malala sharing morning 9.30am
Week beginning 16th March	KS2 Assessments
Monday 23rd March	LGC meeting
24th and 25th March	Parents Evening
April	
Wednesday 1st April	Lenten Mass 10am
Friday 3rd April to 17th April	EASTER HOLIDAYS
Wednesday 22nd April	He is Risen Mass 10am
May	
Week beginning 11th May	Year 6 SATS
Wednesday 13th May	Ascension Mass – NOT YEAR 6
Thursday 21st May	Rosa Parks sharing afternoon 2.45pm
Monday 18th May	LGC meeting
Tuesday 19th May	Einstein Class assembly 8.50am Nightingale Class Liturgy 2.30pm
Weds 20th May	Crowning of Mary 9am
Week beginning 25th May	HALF TERM
June	
Week beginning 1st June	Multiplication check to be completed
Week beginning 8th June	Phonics check to be completed
Thursday 11th June	Shakespeare Class Sharing 2.30pm
Week beginning 15th June	Key Stage 1 assessments
Thursday 18th June	Einstein Class Sharing 2.30pm

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Monday 22nd June	INSET Day
Week beginning 22nd June	Key stage 2 assessments
Monday 29th June	LGC meeting
July	
Tuesday 7th July	Nightingale class assembly 8.50am
Monday 13th July	Reports home to parents
Thursday 16th July	Year Six play 6pm
Wednesday 22nd July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 10am Y6 Graduation ceremony 2.30pm
Thursday 23rd July	SUMMER HOLIDAYS