

Woodbury Salterton

C of E Primary School



SIAMS Inspection

We are pleased to be able to inform you of the outcome of our recent SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) inspection.

The school was graded in four areas and judgements follow a similar structure to those made by OFSTED. We are delighted to say that the school was judged to be **outstanding** in Christian Character and good in the other three areas: collective worship, religious education and leadership and management.

The inspector, Mrs Spitzer, observed teaching and collective worship, spoke with children, governors, parents and senior leaders and scrutinised school data and documentation.

We would like to thank the parents who kindly gave up their time to talk to Mrs Spitzer and share their views of the school.

Mrs Spitzer was very impressed by the strong friendship bonds within school and the positive relationships that exist between all members of the school community.

As you can imagine, we are delighted with the outcome and feel the report accurately captures the essence of Woodbury Salterton. We now look to the future and will continue to build upon our good provision.

Thank you very much for your on-going support.



May Day Success

Eliza made an elegant May Queen and Morgan a brave Jack in the Green. Well done to both of them for representing our school in the village celebrations.

New Governing Body

Last week our new governing body was appointed for the Pebblebed Heath Federation. Both schools are really fortunate to have such an experienced and committed group of people supporting school development across the federation. We will introduce them individually in the near future.

Census Day

The school meal on 21st May is Spaghetti Bolognese and sticky chocolate slice with sauce. It would be great if as many children in R, Yr1 and Yr2 had a school meal that day. Thank you.

Open Door Policy

Through discussion with parents, we are pleased that everyone recognises the importance of ensuring the children remain safe in school and the importance of enhanced site security.

We recognise that changes to our site security may have made our school feel like things have changed. However, we'd like to point out that we still operate an open door policy for parents and carers. Parents are always welcome to pop in to see their child's class teacher between 8.50-9.00am to pass on any really important information. Equally, if you need a longer time to talk, appointments at the end of the day can be made easily. We do expect the children to be settled and to begin their learning from 9am.

Your Support for School Trips and Visits

We aim to provide a rich and varied range of learning in school through trips and visits. As a school we rely on parent/carers' voluntary contributions to support this. However through non-payment, we have now over-spent on these activities this year. However we are sensitive and welcome conversations where individuals may be struggling to meet any costs. We will continue to signpost parents for upcoming events and costs.

Home Learning

Thank you for the feedback we've received recently about home learning at school. This is an important area to get the balance right. Ahead of next year, we will be asking all parents/carers for feedback on this year's home learning.

Dream Team for September 2015

We hope to share with you our staffing structure for next academic year very shortly. Our aim is to provide the very best teaching teams across the schools. We appreciate that parents/carers would like to know at the earliest opportunity, but as you can appreciate in a small school it can be quite complex! Info to follow soon...

PTA News - Bags to School

Please fill the bags with unwanted clothes, jewellery and soft toys. The bags will be collected on Tuesday 19th May. For every kilo donated the school will receive a certain amount donated. Last time the PTA raised over £350, so this time we'd like to beat this. Please do not bring the bags into school before this date as there is limited school. Thank you for your help!



Sports Day

Weather permitting, Sports Day will take place on **Wednesday 3rd June.**

Following the successful format of the last few years, children will work in family (house) teams to tackle a carousel of sporting challenges and gather points for their team.

The afternoon's events will begin on the playground and Glebe field at 1:30pm. For the final part of the afternoon, we will move up to the top field for races and presentations.

You may wish to bring a folding chair or blanket to watch the races in comfort.

Please ensure that children have their full PE kit in school that day (as always) and sun protection (sun hats & sun cream)

What makes Woodbury Salterton CE Primary

School a special place to be?

This half term we are continuing to think about the value of friendship in school. This week in Worship we have been thinking about the importance of listening to each other and making time for friendships.

On our Friday worship in church we recognised and said thank you to the children who had put our school values into action during the week:

Values

Year 5 bikeability students – for being enthusiastic in their learning, supportive of each other at all times, not giving up and for cycling with a smile.

Mrs Tweedy – Friendship

Bethany – Friendship

Isobel—Friendship, helping others to play nicely.

Alex –Friendship, sharing his homemade biscuits.

Katie—Friendship, helping a friend with their maths work.

Well done Year 6

Well done to our Year 6 children who have worked extremely hard this week taking part in their SATs tests. They enjoyed their celebration day, going to the park and eating minion cake. Well done to all of the class for working hard and especially year six for getting through their SATs week!



Stars of the week

1st May

Class 1 – Cara, for her enthusiastic attitude to her work and learning.

Class 2 – for writing detailed paragraphs in her literacy/RE work and for being a kind and thoughtful friend.

Class 3 – Emily J for an excellent project report and a lovely attitude to her learning.

Class 4 – Finlay for working hard to write detailed answers in reading comprehension and for knowing his facts about shape.

8th May

Class 1 – Toby, for hard work and caring attitude towards his class mates.

Class 2 – Darcie, for working really well with a partner in literacy and working co-operatively with others in DT.

Class 3 - Albert, for working hard in his literacy and persevering when he found it difficult.

Class 4 – William, for fabulous home learning and for making an anniversary pudding for his parents, using excellent measuring skills. He showed great love and endeavour.

15th May

Class 1 – Korey for improved listening and trying hard with his learning.

Class 3 – Connie for excelling in literacy this week producing an excellent report and fantastic presentation.

Class 4 – Amie for super endeavour with all of her SATs tests, keeping on going and never complaining!

Important Reminders

Thanks you for responses regarding Haven Banks trip. We will collate the responses and reply to parents in due course.

Kayaking, sailing, climbing, caving, bush craft and archery are just some of the activities available at Haven Banks Outdoor Education Centre on Exeter Quay during the May half term. Day, half day and week-long outdoor activities are available for 8 – 16 year olds. Multi activity days start from just £43. Five days of outdoor activities from £139. Ages 8 – 16 year olds. All information is available online at www.haven-banks.co.uk

Our next service in church will be Friday 22nd May when we celebrate Pentecost in church. Also the children will be involved in Sunday worship in 30th May celebrating the Holy Trinity in church.

Sleep talk morning – There is a sleep advice session run by the school nurses for parents on Monday 1st June 9.30am – 10.30am at the Withycombe centre. Please call 01395 226732 to book a place.

Otter Valley Festival – May 30th Ottery St Mary Football Ground – cycle rides, fun cycling and music festival www.otter-valley-festival.co.uk

Dates for your diary

When	Time	What	Where	Who
18 th May	Midday	Travel to PGL	Beam House	Yr6
18 th May	11.45am	Forest School	Exmouth	Yr3
19 th May	12.45pm	Swimming	Sidmouth	Cl1
19 th May	3.30pm	Premier Sport Football Club	School	
21 st May	12.45pm	Swimming	Sidmouth	Cl2
22 nd May	pm	Return from PGL	Beam House	Yr6
22 nd	3pm	Pentecost Worship	Church	All
22 nd May		Last day of term		
1 st June		First day of term		
1st June	11:45am	Forest School	Exmouth	Yr5
2nd June	9.30am	Maths School Challenge		
2nd June	3.30pm	Premier Sports Football	School	
3rd June	1:30pm	Sports Day	Glebe field	School
4th June	12:45pm	Swimming	Sidmouth	Cl3
5th June	2:00pm	ECC library visit	ECC	Yr6
8th June	12:45pm	Forest School	Exmouth	Yr3
9th June	3.30pm	Premier Sports Football	School	
10th June	1:30pm	Reserve Sports Day	Glebe field	School
11th June	12:45pm	Swimming	Sidmouth	Cl3

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