



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of Term 3 we would like to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful progress the children have made. They are developing the depth of understanding in their learning, and we are especially proud of how children in Daisy's Class have become more independent, confidently coming into class each day, and 'letting their light shine'. We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 24th February.

### Parents Evening

Letters will be sent home with your child this week; please can you return the slip as soon as possible to book your timeslot for Parents Evening. The check-box on the letter is for a half hour slot, but you will then be given a time for a ten-minute slot within that half hour to see your child's class teacher. Please bear in mind that we try to issue these times as close to the requested time as possible.

### Safer Internet Day

In aid of Internet safety day on Wednesday 12th February, Miss Ham would like to welcome the children to her after-school club for some on-line activities, games and advice on internet safety. She has devised some communication games and resourced some online websites to help children understand the importance of being safe online.



If your child would like to attend and get the chance to learn some key computing skills, then please book via ParentPay.

### Multiplication and Timetables Presentation

We would like to invite all parents of Year 3 and Year 4 students to attend an important presentation on **Friday 14th February, from 3:30pm**. The focus of this session will be the upcoming Multiplication and Timetables Check that Year 4 students are required to take in June.



The presentation will provide valuable information on how the check works, how you can support your child in preparation, and what resources are available to help.

### NSPCC Rocks

On Friday 7th February Sunflowers enrolled in the national NSPCC Times Tables competition, which was an all-day event from 7:30am to 7:30pm. The children had their logins so they could play at home as well as school. We are incredibly happy to say that we were in second place on the leaderboard when Mrs. Sturdy checked at 4:20pm on Friday, so congratulations and well done to all the children who took part!



### Lunches

A quick reminder that lunch orders for the week beginning **Monday 24th February** need to be placed by **Midnight on Wednesday 12th February**. As usual, we encourage you to book meals for the whole term at this stage to ensure all your child's meals are booked in advance.





## Shepton Mallet Snowdrop Festival



On Wednesday last week Mrs. Amor, who some of you may remember from her time teaching in the school, visited us to give a special assembly dedicated to this year's Shepton Mallet Snowdrop Festival, which will run from 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

The children learnt about James Allen, the first person to breed Snowdrops from the wild, who was born in Shepton Mallet. The Snowdrop Project celebrates his legacy, the history and heritage of Shepton Mallet and the beauty of the snowdrop. Every February they also hold a special Snowdrop Festival, with specialist plant sales, workshops, art and craft, and poetry and photography competitions.



For more information please visit their website: <https://www.sheptonSnowdrops.org.uk/>.

## PE Term 3 Overview

### Key stage 1

This term we have been looking at Travelling, Shapes and Balances we can do with our bodies. How we can put all these skills together using different equipment and apparatus. We also used our friends to make the 1st letter of our name with our bodies. We had lots of fun.

### Key Stage 2

Term 3 we have been learning the rules and game of Rugby. Learning to pass backwards while moving forwards, removing tags off opponents and how to handle the ball. We have put these skills into small competitive games and are looking at how we can work together to outwit our opponents. We have also talked about current national competitions happening and encouraging the children to watch.

Gymnastic club will continue for term 4 on Tuesday evenings from **3:15pm - 4:15pm**, please sign up via ParentPay. Children must be collected at **4:15pm** or they will need to be booked into afterschool care as well, for collection at **4:30pm**.

## Term Dates

February	
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet After School Club Activities – book via ParentPay!
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 3 Year 3&4 Parents Multiplication and Timetable check Presentation 3:30pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	School Holiday
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Term 4
March	
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Vision Screening
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Bags2School
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Make the Sunshine tech rehearsal at St Paul's - more details to follow
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Make the Sunshine Performance Show - more details to follow