



# Coombe Bissett School News



## Letter from the Headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

We celebrated a wonderful Harvest Festival on Monday morning. Thank you so much to those parents and governors who were able to join us. The children thoroughly enjoyed their first trip of the year to church as we gathered together to give thanks to God for his gifts. Thank you to all of you who so generously contributed to our collection of non perishable goods. In conjunction with the church, we collected a magnificent 102.8kgs of donations which were very gratefully received by the Trussell Trust. Our value this term is 'Care' and our Harvest donations are truly a reflection of the community's care for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Another reflection of the care in our school are the twenty kindness calendars that have been completed and returned to me. All of the children who completed a month of random kind acts received a small gift from me this morning to say thank you and I am so proud of them and the enthusiasm with which they have tackled the challenge. I hope that, in a small way, we have made our community a kinder place. If you have a completed calendar at home, please encourage your child to bring it and show me before the end of term - I still have some gifts left! Keep an eye out for next term's Haworth Homework Challenge.



Congratulations to the Year 5 and 6 boys who represented Coombe Bissett at a football tournament on Wednesday. They had a great day and were incredibly successful coming 4th out of 17 schools. Mrs Faulding was very impressed by their team spirit and how well they played together. Well done boys and thank you to Mrs Faulding and Mr Latter for accompanying the children.



On Wednesday evening, the teachers and myself attended a training session with other members of our cluster group at Winterbourne Earls. This is a new project this year and will enable our staff to participate in professional development alongside colleagues from other schools. This opportunity for training and professional dialogue is a welcome opportunity to develop and share excellent practice and I am very excited about our involvement going forwards.

This week we have had our first full meeting of the School Council and they made some exciting decisions which will have a positive impact on the school. Please find attached to this week's newsletter a write up from the School Council sharing their news and ideas.

We also had our very first meeting of the Collective Worship Group. We will be meeting on a fortnightly basis with Rev Jenny and their 'big' question for our next meeting is 'What is spirituality?'

Next week, we are very fortunate to be welcoming a visitor from the Hindu community. Hinduism is the children in Key Stage 2's RE topic this term and we are very fortunate that they will be able to learn first hand from a practising Hindu about their faith and practices.

This morning we hosted our first Community Coffee Morning. It was lovely to chat to those who were able to join us. Please encourage anyone you know who might like some company to join us next month!

God bless,

Mrs Haworth



## Dates for your diary

9 Please note all dates are subject to change

9 06/10/23—Flu Immunisations all years

9 13/10/23 Film Night—Elemental

9 16/10/23 Walk to School

9 19/10/23 to 27/10/23 Half Term

9 30/10/23—First Day of Term 1 27/11/23—

Communion Service at Church 9.30am

06/12/23—Oak Class Nativity 1.45pm at Church

07/12/23—Elm Class Nativity 1.45pm at Church

15/12/23—Christingle/Carol Service 6pm at Church

20/12/23 Last Day of Term 2

04/01/23—First Day of Term 3



Please make sure that your child has their coat and

wellies in school EVERY day!



Attendance at school is VERY important—I know that it can be difficult to make medical appointments, but where possible, please try to ensure that these are out of school time—thank you!

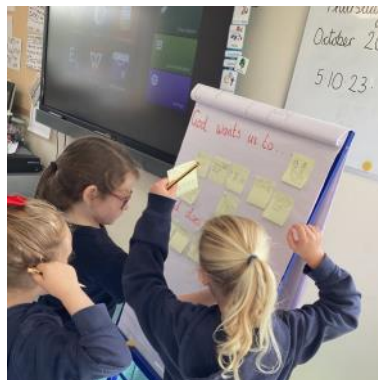
# What are we learning?

What a fun week in Oak class! Our youngest learners in school have been so busy...play is the way to learn and these children are being remarkable. Using their communication to chatter, play, answer and ask questions embedding all the excellent learning being taught this week.

Oak Class



Elm Class



Elm Class have been thinking about ways in which God wants us to look after His creation. They came up with lots of wonderful ideas. In PSHE we read the book 'The Colour Monster' and some children chose to create their own Colour Monster artworks during Enrichment.

## Fir Class



.A homemade shield being proudly worn by its creator!

## Ash Class



The boys came 4th out of 17 and only very narrowly missed out on third place. They played brilliantly as a team and were very respectful of others, even when the matches didn't go their way.

There are also some photos of Ash class taking part in a passionate, and sometimes heated debate, about Athens and Sparta as part of our history topic on Ancient Greece. There were excellent arguments all round!

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### TEAM POINT TOTAL

Blue	666
Green	632
Yellow	577
Red	671



**Half-Term Tennis Camp**  
Wednesday 25th October  
10am - 3pm

For children & teenagers aged 5-16 yrs  
Beginners welcome!

**Cost: £40**

Downton Tennis Centre, Wick Lane, SP5 3NF

To book or find out more visit:  
[www.mahonytennis.com/tenniscamps](http://www.mahonytennis.com/tenniscamps)  
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## Stars this week

**Congratulations to our Pupils of the Week: Ruby L, Jonty S, Florence W, George B, Jessica A, Yehor S, Maisie W, Henry W, Freddie F, Chloe L, Tommy -Lee C, Petru, and Rupert**

**Congratulations to who earned a Haworth Heart this week: Charlie N, Mya and Felix!**

**Congratulations to Eadric for sharing his out of school achievement with us and speaking so enthusiastically about Scouts. HAPPY BIRTHDAY to who celebrated their birthday: Leo P and Rufus B**

**PARKING REMINDER:** If you are parking on the hill outside of school, please make sure that you are doing so safely and that you DO not park below the Grit Box. This is for your children's safety, but also to allow access for rubbish and recycling collection. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Coombe Bissett CE VA Primary Community Coffee Morning**

Mums, dads, grandparents, carers and members of the wider Coombe Bissett community, you are all invited to join us for coffee and biscuits the first Friday of every month!

Come and see our beautiful school, meet our headteacher and catch up with friends old and new.

6<sup>th</sup> October, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 1<sup>st</sup> December  
9.30-10.30am

**Coffee & Chat**

**Coombe Bissett CE VA School Parent and Toddler Group**

Come and join us on the third Friday of every month. A chance to make new friends with plenty of songs, stories and fun for our younger visitors!

Open to under 5s and their carers.

A warm welcome is extended to both current members of our school family and families in the wider community. Please let your friends know!

9.30-10.30am  
17<sup>th</sup> November and 15<sup>th</sup> December

## SERVICES THIS WEEK

<b>8 October 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bowerchalke	Jenny Taylor
	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)	Nunton	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Charlton All Saints	Rhoderick Voremberg
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Alvediston	Biddy Trahair
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Berwick St John	Lay Led
	3.00pm	Harvest Festival (BCP)	Fifield Bavant	Biddy Trahair

*'Soar on wings like eagles, run and not grow weary, walk and not be*