

Dates for your diary

Fri 19 th Jan	Bumblebees trip to Dorchester Museum
Tues 30 th Jan	NSPCC Assembly
Fri 2 nd - Sat 3 rd February	Bumblebee Class residential visit to Leeson House
Weds 7 th Feb	PTFA Quiz (details to follow)
Mon 12 th - Fri 16 th Feb	Half-Term Break
Mon 19 th Feb	Return to school
Thurs 1 st Mar	World Book Day
Thurs 1 st Mar	Cake Sale - 3pm
Fri 16 th Mar	Dragonfly Class attending concert at Emmanuel Church

Spotlight on Growth Mindset

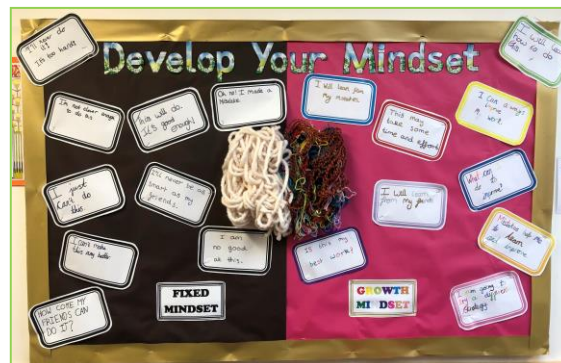
You may have heard your children talking about having a Growth Mindset. This is an approach to learning that we have recently introduced in school.

Growth Mindset is a research and evidence-based approach to helping children be confident, capable learners. Growth Mindset theory describes a key positive mental attitude and approach to learning and development.

A Growth Mindset is rooted in a belief that abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work. In other words, people with a Growth Mindset think intelligence is like a muscle that grows stronger with training. This positive mental attitude helps to foster both an interest in learning and a resilience against setbacks; both are essential for great achievement.

In contrast, a Fixed Mindset comes from a belief that intelligence and talent are fixed and that talent is more important than effort for achievement.

As part of our teaching about mindsets, we have launched Fearless Fridays, when the children and staff will be learning about the key concepts and developing their mindsets.



Our Christian Value this half term is



The Term Ahead

A belated Happy New Year to everyone and welcome back to another exciting term!

We have a number of trips planned for this term, including a residential visit to Leeson House for Bumblebee Class.

There are other events still being organised, so watch this space!

Our energetic PTFA met this week and have lots of fabulous ideas for future events. They will shortly be sending out a questionnaire so you can get involved with ideas and suggestions for fundraising events. The money raised by the PTFA enables us to greatly enhance your children's experiences at our school and we are very grateful for everyone's support.

Please remember, the PTFA is open to all parents, carers and friends.

We usually meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month, though we will confirm exact arrangements via text or email.

We are all getting excited about World Book Day (Thursday 1st March). The children (and adults) can come into school dressed as their favourite book character. After a day of book-themed activities, we will be holding an assembly to which you are all invited - don't forget to 'book' this date in your diary!

We will also be having a cake sale after school on that day.

Lost Coats

A number of coats and items of uniform have recently disappeared!

Please could you check at home in case you have anything that doesn't belong to you.

Please also ensure that **all** items of clothing are named as you would be amazed at what we have in our lost property box!



Attendance Autumn 2

(30th October - 15th December)

1st Place ~ Bumblebee Class ~ 96.9%

2nd Place ~ Butterfly Class ~ 95.9%

3rd Place ~ Ladybird Class ~ 95.6%

4th Place ~ Dragonfly Class ~ 95%

Whole School ~ 95.9%

