

### NEWSLETTER FOR SIDMOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

The start of this term has been really busy in school as staff have settled the children into new routines and re-established old ones! Please check the diary dates at the end of the newsletter for all upcoming events.

As I have visited the classrooms I have noticed that the children looked so smart in their school uniforms and I would like to say a big thank you to you all for making this happen. Let's try and keep this up. Just a reminder that we do not require the children to wear any branded uniform but our uniform policy also extends to PE kit. PE kit should be a plain white t-shirt, navy blue shorts, trainers and or plain black tracksuit bottoms/leggings, no football kits please these are not part of the PE uniforms. Also for health and safety reasons the only permitted items of jewellery are stud earrings which must be removed before school on PE days and a watch (No smart watches please).

If anyone is finding it difficult to source uniform items please ask to speak to Mrs Newton our family links worker and she may be able to help.





At Sidmouth we use the Jigsaw programme to deliver our PSHE curriculum. This is a mindful approach that delivers weekly sessions from F1 to Year 6. It covers different aspects within PSHE learning and Social and Emotional development. The curriculum ensures that learning from previous years is revisited and extended, adding new concepts, knowledge and skills, year on year as appropriate.



This half term's Jigsaw piece is Being Me In My World.

This piece covers a wide range of topics, including a sense of belonging, welcoming others and being part of a school community, a wider community, and a global community; it also looks at children's rights and responsibilities, working and socialising with others, and pupil voice. For more information about this half term puzzle piece please see the year group Jigsaw progression map that we have shared with you.

As it is the start of a new half term we will have sent you a link to the year group newsletters which are all on our website:

https://www.sidmouthprimaryschool.co.uk/curriculum

Please take some time to read this newsletter as it informs you about the topics your child will be studying over the next half term. We would really encourage you to visit the curriculum section of our website as you will find lots of information about what the children are learning throughout the year.

#### **Mobile Phones**

A reminder for you that as part of our Safeguarding responsibilities and in line with our school behaviour policy, the following procedures regarding mobile phones are in place:

- As a general rule, children should not bring mobile phones into school. However, if your child is in Year 5 and 6 and is walking to and from school alone we do allow them to bring in phones as long as we have received written parental permission.
- Mobile phones must be switched off when pupils are on the school grounds.
- Mobile phones must be handed into the class teacher at the start of the school day.
- Mobile phones must not be switched back on until your child leaves the school premises





## **Picture News**







# In the news this week

A church in Kiruna, which is one of Sweden's largest wooden buildings, has been carefully moved 5km to a new location. Many buildings in the city are being relocated because the ground is unstable due to iron ore mining. The church, built in 1912 and voted Sweden's most beautiful pre-1950 building, was slowly transported on special trailers. The process was watched by thousands of people.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your response to this week's news story with someone at home. Why do you think the decision was made to move the church whole, rather than dismantle and rebuild it?
- Are there any well-known buildings in your local area? What is their purpose?
- What buildings are important to you? What is it about them that makes them important?







## **Mutual Respect and Tolerance**

The church has travelled across the city to reach safer ground. When people move location and join a new community, we should be welcoming and respectful.

Protected Characteristics

Different buildings and places of worship can be important to people, based on their religion or beliefs. We should never be discriminated against because of a religion or belief.



















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### **Upcoming Diary Dates Autumn term 1**

Mon 15th September Y6 Blackman Eco-Hub Trip

Tues 16th September Year 2 Fish Trail Trip

Mon 22nd September Y6 Rowling Eco-Hub Trip

Wed 1st October CU Year 6 Blitz Visits

Thur 2nd October Whole school Flu vaccinations

Thur 9th October CU Year 6 Blitz Visits

Fri 10th October Year 5 - Ladies in Pigs in school visit

Tues 21st October CU Yr 3 Ambassadors experience

Wed 22nd October Murphy class stay and play 2.30pm

Wed 22nd October Yr 1 to 6 Parents evening (more info to follow)

Thur 23rd October Foundation Stage Stay and Play

Thur 23rd October CU Yr 3 Ambassadors experience

Thur 23rd October Parents evening (more info to follow)

Mon 27th Oct to Fri 31st Half term break - school closed

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