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"Live, Love and Learn Together"

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Dear Parents

Thank you to all parents who attended Parents' Evening this week. We will be contacting those parents who were unable to attend to arrange a suitable time.



### Ready Steady Read

Don't forget your READY STEADY READ challenge over the holidays! To add a little extra fun, please take a photo of your child reading in "**the most bizarre place**" or alternatively "**my special comfortable reading place**". You can then email your photos to school at [office@stcatherinesbridport.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:office@stcatherinesbridport.dorset.sch.uk) using Subject RSR photo. Please add your child's name and class along with a little explanation of where they are reading.

### Book Week Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October

We would like your child to dress up to mark the start of Book Week (first day back after half-term). This year, each class has chosen a theme for their costumes which will be linked to the books they will be reading and working with in class that week.

Reception - Year 1 = Animals

Year 2 = Pets

Year 3 = Stories from other cultures

Year 4 = Viking gods and creatures from Norse Myths

Year 5 = Space

Year 6 = World War 2

### Footie 4 Dorset

Lee Cuff will be starting his After School Football Club on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November** from 3.00pm until 4.10pm. If your child is taking part in this activity, please ensure they have warm clothing, football boots/sturdy trainers and that they are appropriately dressed for the weather!

As Lee will also be taking Years' 3 and 4 for Sports on the Wednesday afternoon, these clothing requirements will also apply.

### PTFA AGM

The PTFA Annual General Meeting is on **Thursday 2nd November at 7.00pm**, here at St. Catherine's. Parents and carers are very welcome to come along.

### Tempest Photography

Please return your photographs with payment to the school office by **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**.

### Bags to Schools

PTFA have organised a 'Bag 2 School' collection for **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November**. Please fill your bag with good quality adults' and children's clothing, shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties and soft toys. No bedding, curtains, towels, household linen or bric-a-brac will be taken.

### First Holy Communion Programme 2018

It is now time for interested parents to register their child's name for inclusion in this programme. To be eligible, your child will currently be in Year 3 or above at school. To register your child's details, please contact Faith in the parish office by calling (01308) 422594 or dropping in. Usual office hours are Tuesday to Friday 8.30am to 1.00pm. Alternatively, please leave your details with the school office staff and we will forward these on. A letter will be sent to all registered parents at the start of December with further details of the programme.

### Uniform

Winter uniform of white shirt and school tie should be worn, along with shoes and not boots. We should not see any children in the summer uniform of polo shirts after half-term. Although many children come to school by car, it is essential that your child has a coat for playtimes. We will be going outside for games, so please can you ensure your child has named tracksuit bottoms, sweatshirt and trainers in school.

### Harvest Festival

The pupils led the school in thanking God for the gifts of harvest time, the farmers who grow and harvest the food, the shopkeepers and those who cook and prepare it for them. Alongside this, there was thought and reflection for the local community and the work of Cupboard Love. This linked to the recent weekly theme of compassion when the pupils reflected on showing kindness, caring and a willingness to help others in their everyday lives.



Barry Irvine from Cupboard Love spoke to the school community about their work and received the schools donations for distribution in the local community. St Catherine's is proud to continue to support Cupboard Love.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a happy and safe half-term break and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October**.

Yours truly

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