



Dear Parents and Carers,



This week in our whole-school assembly, we launched our new personal skill for the half term: "To be Curious." The children explored the kinds of questions curious learners ask — the how, why, and what if questions that help them make connections, discover new ideas, and deepen their understanding of the world around them. Every year group will be developing this important skill over the coming weeks.

Best Wishes, Mrs Davie
Headteacher



School Community News



As the weather continues to be chilly and unpredictable, please make sure children come to school with a warm, waterproof coat. We always aim to give the children outdoor time whenever the weather isn't too wet, so having a suitable coat helps ensure they can enjoy their break comfortably and safely.

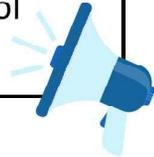
School Community Messages

✦ Cultural Diversity Day ✦

We're excited to celebrate **Cultural Diversity Day** on Friday 6th February. This half term we're inviting our children to dive into a special home learning project all about what makes them wonderfully unique! We're encouraging every child in SJS to explore their own cultural heritage — Where is your family from? What traditions, celebrations, languages, foods, or special clothing are part of your story? Children can get creative by making posters, presentations, photos, or even bringing in examples of traditions such as food, music, dances, books, or songs. We can't wait for everyone to share their discoveries with each other during this special event. Let's celebrate the amazing diversity within our school community!

Upcoming Events

- 21st January - Kinkajou swimming
- 22nd January - Share my learning
- W/B 26th January - Year 5 Minstead residential
- 2nd February - Inset day
- 4th February - Last Kinkajou swimming



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★ Choir Worldwide Singalong ★



Our school choir is gearing up for an unforgettable musical moment! On Thursday 22nd January, all choir members are invited to take part in the Worldwide Wicked Medley Sing-a-Long, joining children across the globe through a live virtual session run by Young Voices. The excitement begins at 2:45 pm in the hall, where Mrs Booth and Mr Richards will lead the group in this special event before pick-up at 4:20 pm.

Letters have been handed out to all choir members this week. Please return permission slips to Mrs Booth or Mr Richards if you would like your child to take part in this event.

Chat Bites



This week ChatBites have continued to spark lively and thoughtful conversations in the dining hall!

To keep the conversation going, why not ask your child one of this week's ChatBite questions over dinner? It's a great way to hear their ideas, share your own, and enjoy some quality family time through thoughtful dialogue.

