



**Bodsham Church of England  
Primary School**

**Federation  
of**



**Saltwood Church of England  
Primary School**



We have been thinking about belonging. God said 'I have called you by your name and you belong to me... I am your God and I will take care of you until you are old and grey' *Isaiah 46*. What does 'belonging' mean to a child? Who do they think they 'belong' to?

19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

### Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to all families who have already deposited a shoebox full of gifts at the collection point in the school foyer. As part of the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child appeal, these boxes will be shipped to children in Belarus in time for Christmas day and are a lovely way for our children to show they care about others less fortunate than themselves. Please see the newsletter of 5<sup>th</sup> October on the school's website for full details of great gift ideas!



### Wanted!

Please look out for the Wanted Poster activity in your child's book bag today. We are looking forward to learning about some of the inspirational members of our community and this home learning task will give them a chance to think about people in their community that inspire them!

### School Uniform Reminder

Children should now be transitioning into winter uniform which means a white shirt or blouse with tie paired with grey trousers, pinafore dress or skirt. Red v-neck jumpers with school logo or red cardigan should go on top. Shoes should be black and sensible – not trainers.

Can I also remind parents that long hair for both boys and girls will need to be neatly tied back at all times.

### Cake Sale Today

If you're reading this before the end of the school day on Friday, don't forget the Year 6 FOSS cake sale taking place on the playground at the end of school today – bring some money for yummy treats!



### Sports News

Our netball team had their first match yesterday against Bodsham – the team did us all proud by playing fairly and with great teamwork. The result was victory to Saltwood. Well done to both teams. It was nice to hear the Y6 children looking forward to meeting up with their friends from Bowles again! We must also say a big thank you to Mrs Bowers and Mrs Johannsen for the time and enthusiasm they give to running our netball club and also to the many parents who came to support the team.



### Care Home Visits

We think our children should be involved with the local community as much as possible. To this end Class 3 visited Saltwood Care Home this week, where they enjoyed sharing their books with the residents. Class 4 are looking forward to their forthcoming visit to Balgowan Care Home.

### Time to start seeing spots!

Our School Council have voted to support Children in Need again this year. On 16th November children will be able to come to school wearing spotty clothes, so you have plenty of time to think about your outfit!





### **Messy Church this Saturday**

Messy Church will be meeting in the Lad's Club at Saltwood on Saturday. Families are welcome for worship and fun from 4pm

### **Half Term Holiday Club**

Elite Community Coaching will be running their popular Half Term clubs here all next week. Children can choose from a variety of fun activities each day. Courses run from 9am to 4pm with earlier drop off available. Parents can book directly through the Elite website:

<https://www.elite-coaching-uk.co.uk/services>



Have a lovely half term break and we'll see you all back at school on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October!**

Yours sincerely

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