

St Levan School Newsletter

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We have had a great start to the term with the children taking part in lots of exciting activities. Last week Daya spent the morning with our children enabling them to explore Hindu traditions through cooking and dancing. We have celebrated Roald Dahl day, had an inspiring poetry day with Sally and still had time to explore the planets! Class 2 have started weekly instrumental lessons which is fabulous news and Years 3 and 4 have started swimming lessons.

Next week we will hold our class elections to form our new School Council. From your feedback questionnaires and from talking to the children, we hope to run the School Council more effectively this year and ensure that there are regular meetings. As we are such a small school, it is possible for us to hold a weekly circle-time during assembly to encourage everyone to voice their opinions which will then feed into School Council meetings. If your child is interested in becoming a School Councillor you can support them at home to think about what they would like to change or introduce at St Levan. We will listen to their ideas in class and announce the new members next week.



Exciting Day with Daya

Last Friday we had a lot of fun. This was because a visitor had come to our school and brought with her many exciting things for us to experience. Her name was Daya and to start the day we had a discussion about Indian culture. We learnt about the many different Hindu Gods and heard stories about the Hindu God Ganesh. We were lucky enough to be able to try on some Indian clothes if we wanted to. The girls' outfits were extremely sparkly and had gems everywhere. Some of the boys thought their outfits were a bit scratchy. We danced different dances in our outfits and at the end of the morning got to prepare some chapattis for everyone to share. We tasted a delicious potato curry and an offering that was like soft shortbread. We would love Daya to visit us again!



Report by Class 2

Poetry Post

Two Fridays ago we had a lovely visit from Sally the Poetry Post Lady and her assistant Gabriel. We made lovely poems on biscuits out of rice paper. We also met Mr Love-a-Dove the dove postman and made up songs with him. We also made lovely magic rings. We had a fabulous day!

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Reminders and Dates:

- **WATER BOTTLES** – Thank you for bearing with us with this new change. It is part of our whole school push to encourage independence and responsibility. We are still encouraging all children to drink lots of water during the day. Please support us in making sure your child leaves home with a freshly filled water bottle each day – this is a habit for life! It is useful for you to see how much your child is drinking each day and to ensure that they are drinking enough. If you would like your child's old water bottle to take home each day, please see the class teacher.
- **SCHOOL GATE** – Please can you ensure the School gate is closed properly after you – especially in the mornings during Breakfast Club drop-off.
- **HEALTHY SNACKS** – We promote healthy lifestyles including a healthy diet. If you provide your child with a snack for morning break, please encourage healthy choices such as fruit, vegetables, seeds etc. rather than high sugar foods. Most days we are able to provide fruit for all the children. Thank you.
- **CHANGE OF DATE: The Harvest Festival Assembly will now be on Monday 10th October at 2.30pm – join us for some seasonal vegetable soup.**

Findlay for his positive attitude in his learning and showing a greater independence in maths. Well done!

Morgan for showing such a positive attitude to reading and all learning. Well Done!

In our sharing assembly our children have time to reflect on their own achievements and share their thoughts about all the children they have noticed making a difference - this could be in their work or related to friendships. We think about who should be 'stars' and why. This is a lovely way to celebrate everyone each week and to hear the opinions of our children- who often spot things we don't see! Each week we will record everyone mentioned in our special book of SHINING STARS.

We are very proud of all our children

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SHINING STARS