

PUDDLETOWN VC CE FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Above is the beautiful artwork led by Miss Bridge and created by the children following our celebration of National children's mental health week. The children all investigated what a sense of belonging might look like and what made them feel happy. Children wrote and drew pictures of what belonging to this school meant to them. It was a week of celebrating what makes our school feel happy and safe and creating a sense of belonging here at school.

At Puddletown we have high aspirations for all our children academically but also encourage development in all aspects of their lives to enable all children to flourish. Our broad curriculum allows children the opportunities to develop talents and learning in many different ways. The photos around the page show art, the use of colour monsters to express our emotions and some history learning.



Art work year 2

REMINDERS

PARKING

Please park thoughtfully around the village so that driveways, exits and pavements are clear. Thankyou.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large amount of unlabelled clothing, water bottles and cuddly toys in our lost property box. Please check there if you have lost any items. It will be cleared at the end of term.

These subjects run throughout the week as well as English, maths, reading and writing to give a wide variety of learning opportunities. We also work to develop Personal, Social, Health and Economic education through our PSHE lessons. We are aware that parents may not have had the opportunity to look at our scheme, which is produced by Coram scarf, for a while and on our parent evenings we will provide an opportunity for you to see our scheme of work, some of the planning and look at some examples of children's work. Following the new Government guidance on relationships, sex and health education (RSHE) published on 15 July 2025, giving schools until 1 September 2026 to follow it, we would also like to share with you the updates and how that might look in our school and gather your views. A more specific letter regarding these updates will follow separately.



use of colour monsters to express how you are feeling Reception class.

We are so grateful to have such amazing outdoor learning spaces in our school, and all classes try and get out and use them as often as possible. This year we took part in the RSPB school bird watch and children undertook a bird survey and submitted it to the RSPB's website to contribute to their survey. This was a great way to contribute to real data collection, learn to identify our birds, spend time outside and support the work of the RSPB.

This weekend was also St David's day and in our worship this week we learnt about St David. St. David's most enduring legacy comes from his final words to his followers: "Be joyful, keep the faith, and do the little things you have seen me do." In Welsh tradition, this phrase — "Gwnewch y pethau bychain" ("Do the little things") — became a national spiritual motto. We think that motto is a pretty good one and we have tried to live by and celebrate these words throughout our week.



Mrs Anna Seal

Head of school

Parents evenings

16 and 17th March

ALL DATES ARE UP ON
OUR CALENDAR ON
THE SCHOOL WEBSITE