



Headteacher: Mr Wheeler	"Shine like stars in the sky as you hold on to the word of life" (Philippians 2:15)	Friday 27th May 2022
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Afternoon all,

Another half term is gone! And what a way to end it. The children have had a great time this afternoon: enjoying their own street party in the playground as well as some fun time on the green, with a little music and song thrown in for good measure. I must also celebrate that attendance this week has been its highest since the first week of the year - exceeding our weekly 96% target for only the second time this year. Hopefully this signifies the back of all the winter bugs (touch wood) and we can keep that going through Summer 2.

I must also congratulate our Year 2s in particular this time round. I have been so impressed by their maturity and independence as they have tackled their assessments in the last two weeks. They've really done themselves proud.

Thank you to those who have already responded to the questionnaire circulated a couple of weeks ago on behalf of the Academy Committee. **If you haven't yet, please do have your say!** As nice as it is to see all the positive feedback, there are also some very welcome and constructive points that we will consider carefully. We want to keep

improving for the children and you, our families. [Click here](#) to find the questionnaire if you haven't already.

You will also find a fantastic letter from the Coasby-Smarts attached with this news blast. Please have a read and consider it with your children over the half term. Being a truly inclusive school is so important to us here and their letter is a small but important piece of that jigsaw.

Have a great weekend and a wonderful half term everyone!

Mr Wheeler

The Emily Collins School, Uganda

The school has moved to the next stage of its growing relationship with the Emily Collins School, in Kisoro, Uganda. This is potentially an enormously valuable learning opportunity for our pupils and theirs, in terms of learning about difference and celebrating diversity. The children have begun making a video to send and we will continue this after half term.

The story behind the creation of this developing school is both beautiful and heartbreaking, and I could never do the power of it justice myself. It's incredibly exciting though and the link is through a family local to the Wimborne area. I will keep you posted on how it develops. If this sounds like a project you would like to find out more about feel free to contact the school or check out:

<https://www.stephencollinsphotography.co.uk/>
<https://our-fathers-house-ministries.org/our-projects/>



Upcoming PTFA Events:

Saturday 11th June - Wimborne Folk Festival (see below for our involvement)
Saturday 16th July - Strawberry Fair (more details to follow in due course)

Pamphill @ the Folk Festival

Thanks to a passionate group of volunteers, our pupils are reviving an old Pamphill tradition by receiving some folk dancing tuition as part of their PE curriculum. This is all designed to be building towards a number of performances at this year's Folk Festival on **Saturday 11th June** (please put the date in your diaries). Please provide confirmation of whether you can attend and participate from Foxes and Stags especially, if you haven't already. Letters sent earlier this week provide timings and locations. The aim is for Foxes to perform a Maypole routine; Stags will perform a Longswords dance and take part in the parade.

