



# Farncombe Church of England Infant School

'Let all you do be done in love'

1 Corinthians 14:16

## Upcoming dates

### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November

Remembrance Day Assembly

### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November

INSET Day – school closed for pupils

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November

Parent Consultations (15:30 – 18:00)

### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November

Reception Phonics Meeting (17:00 - 18:00)

### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Farncombe Christmas Lights' Switch On – local community event – open to all (16:30)

### Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November

Christmas Fair (12:00 – 14:30)

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Year 1 Christmas Performance (09:15) \*

### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Year 2 Christmas Performance (09:15) \*

Year 1 Christmas Performance (14:30) \*

### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Reception Christmas Performance (09:15) \*

Christmas Jumper Day

### Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas service at St. John's Church

### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Lunch

Pied Piper Theatre performance

### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

End of term (13:30 finish)

\*Parents/carers invited – more information to follow via ParentMail.

## Marvellous maths

Developing confidence when working with numbers at an early age is such an important skill for all children to acquire. Numbers surround us and help us make sense of the world. Whether in singing nursery rhymes, reading clocks, measuring ingredients when cooking or keeping score when playing games, confidence and competence with numbers is essential for daily life.



At Farncombe, we use White Rose Maths to support our teaching and learning in maths. The principles that underpin this programme are often referred to as a Mastery approach which focuses on spending time deepening and broadening children's understanding of mathematical concepts. This, in turn, helps pupils secure and consolidate their learning and build a better understanding of how the number system works.



Over the course of this term, it has been a joy to see the children working hard to use practical resources to support their thinking in maths. I have also been really impressed with how well the children have been applying their written skills when recording their work as number sentences.

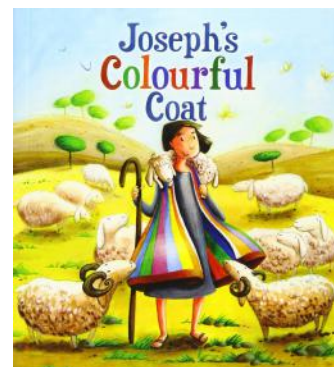
Mr Joe Bibby – Head of School

## Focus on faith



During our time in whole school assemblies, we have been exploring stories from the Old Testament of the Bible. From hearing about the dreams of Joseph and his exploits in Egypt to the work that Moses did in helping the Israelites flee from the captivity of Pharaoh, we have been thinking about what we can learn from these stories.

Having time in the school day to stop and reflect upon the lessons that can be learned from the stories of others is so important and in this time the children can begin to apply what the Bible teaches and explore how it applies to their lives.



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