

St Saviour's School Newsletter

October 2026

Welcome to our latest newsletter with a focus on the outcomes from our Jersey School Review and sharing what classes have been doing around school recently.

The Jersey School Review team were in our school between 29th September and 1st October. The complete report will be available after half term and will be sent to you. It will also be available on Gov.je. We are proud and delighted with how the review went and for the feedback received verbally from the reviewers.

As you are aware, we have also achieved the Rights Respecting School Gold Award this half term. Feedback on our school strengths from the accreditor includes, 'The strong culture of inclusivity and respect is understood and articulated by the school community' and 'Pupil voice is highly valued with a range of pupil voice groups giving opportunities for all young people to put their suggestions forwards and for these to be acted upon.'

News from around our school:

EYFS:

It has been a magical time in EYFS as we have been exploring the much-loved tale of *The Little Red Hen*. The children have been busy retelling and sequencing the story, carefully piecing together the events of this classic tale. Our storybook adventures took a delicious turn when we rolled up our sleeves and baked our very own bread. We had great fun mixing, kneading and watching our dough transform into freshly baked loaves – a truly scrumptious treat! Our little learners have also been keeping active and building their physical skills during their P.E. sessions with Miss Lee, where they have been developing their coordination, confidence and enthusiasm through a variety of activities.

As we approach the end of half term, we are focusing on another familiar tale, *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. We will be exploring the tale together before getting busy in the kitchen to make our very own bowls of porridge.

EYFS continued:

With three bears, a curious Goldilocks and a little taste-testing along the way, we are sure to have a *just-right* amount of fun!

Year 1:

Year 1 have settled in really well and are enjoying their new topic of 'Toys Through Time', where they are comparing modern toys to toys from long ago. They've even had a visitor who brought in some toys from the 1960s! In science, they have learned all about seasons, discussing different weathers, temperatures and seasonal patterns.

In maths the children continue to work on adding numbers to 10 and in literacy they are about to complete an information page on their very own dinosaurs – these should be very descriptive.

Year 2:

We have had a busy and exciting half term. In DT, we designed and made thrones fit for a king, exploring how to make our structures strong and stable. In history, we compared Jersey's castles with castles in the UK, explored medieval jobs and learnt about local history, including the Battle of Jersey and Sir Walter Raleigh's role in protecting our castles. In writing, we enjoyed writing letters to the Colour Monster and retelling the story of The Clockwork Dragon. In maths, we have been using concrete resources to help add up and subtract across a multiple of ten. Year 2 have been amazing Resilient Rhinos this half term!

Year 3:

Year 3 have had a fantastic time at Farm School, enjoying lots of hands-on experiences and learning new skills. We have loved feeding the pigs, carefully holding the chickens and carrying out health checks to make sure they are happy and healthy. We have also been busy tending to our vegetable patches, learning how to care for our crops and discovering where our food comes from.

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Year 4:

Year 4 have had a busy and exciting few weeks. Following our trip to Hautlieu School, we have been inspired in our writing and are currently creating instructional recipes for a marvellous medicine (or perhaps a mischievous medicine), using alliteration, adverbs of manner and time, and imperative verbs to make our instructions engaging and effective. We were also delighted to welcome author Penny Byrne, who enjoyed sharing her love of books with us and talking about what inspired her to become a writer. In RE, we welcomed Peter from the Town Church, who spoke to us about the importance of the Trinity in Christianity and helped us understand how this is reflected in churches across Jersey. We have enjoyed asking thoughtful questions and making links between our learning and the world around us.

Year 5:

Year 5 have travelled back in time this half term, discovering Victorian life and finding out that school wasn't always quite as comfortable as it is today. Inspired by 'Rosie Revere, Engineer', we have let our imaginations run wild with inventions and stories set at the Great Exhibition of 1851. Our budding engineers have also been designing truss bridge prototypes to connect Jersey to France—quite a challenge. In maths we have been sharpening our place value, addition and subtraction skills. A highlight over the past few weeks has been our Victorian School Day, although most of us were very relieved to return to a modern classroom afterwards!

Year 6:

Year 6 have been fully immersed in their World War II topic, learning all about the history of the German Occupation of Jersey. In English, they have been writing their own play scripts inspired by Rose Blanche, a story about a young girl living in Germany during World War II. In art, the children have been creating wonderful perspective drawings inspired by the Blitz. They have been developing their skills in shading, cross-hatching and using tonal colours to create depth and detail. We look forward to sharing their fantastic finished pieces with you after half term!

The Haven:

In the Haven ARP classroom, we have been learning to identify and name a range of dinosaurs and describe their different features. We have also explored how dinosaurs had different diets and lived during different periods of time. Alongside this, we have enjoyed a variety of enrichment opportunities, including visits to La Hougue Bie and Gorey Castle, as well as a walk to St. Saviour's Woods, where we collected and explored a range of autumnal objects.

Staffing news:

I am delighted to let you know that congratulations are in order for two members of our staff team. Mrs Miles and Miss Traynor are both expecting babies and are looking forward to welcoming their new arrivals next spring. We will keep you updated about staffing arrangements in due course.



Key Dates:

Monday 2nd November – School reopens.

Poppies on sale at school from Monday 2nd to Tuesday 10th November

Friday 13th November – Children in Need fundraiser day; theme tbc

Thursday 17th December – Christmas Party Day

Friday 18th December – Last day of Autumn Term. Christmas jumpers/tops can be worn



Monday 4th January – First day of the Spring Term

Monday 8th to Friday 12th February – half term break

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In line with our open door policy please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries. I am on the gate most mornings or can be contacted via email (admin@stsaviour.sch.je) or telephone 725549

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