

Milborne Message 6.11.20

Message from Sharon Hunt!

Dear Parents,

Hope you all had a lovely half term. In these ever changing times we can only be grateful for the times that we can spend with family and friends. Although we are in Lockdown currently, schools are, as you know, remaining open. It is our intention to remain open and we continue to follow Government guidance and advice. Some of you may have noticed we had a visitor to the school (this in itself is unusual at the moment) but he was from HSE Covid testing and was with us to do a random sampling test of procedures. I am very pleased to be able to tell you that he was very impressed with our Risk Assessment and the systems and procedures that we have put in place. Any plan is only as good as those implementing it and I would like to acknowledge and thank staff, parents and children for following these new rules so well. I hope that you find this a reassuring message and it means you can have absolute confidence that we are all doing what we can to keep everyone safe.

School Council:

Phoebe	Dominic	Maisie	Reuben
Bobby	Keira	Brodie	Jemima

We have had our first meeting this week. We have talked about 5 Steps to Wellbeing or 5 to Thrive which is a national initiative and linked to GP surgeries. It is also a key focus of Children in need this year.

We have decided for **Children in Need** week next week 9th -13th November, to focus each day on one of the five aspects:-

Day 1 Try doing something for someone else.

Day 2 Try learning something new, maybe in school or a new word, or cook something new.

Day 3 Relax and be mindful. Take notice of your surroundings.

Day 4 Get connected with people. Turn off your screen and spend time with family and friends (in a safe way)

Day 5 WEAR PE KIT TO SCHOOL - Get active

To make a donation to Children in Need please follow this link which will take you directly to the fundraising page - <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/MilborneFirstSchoolChildreninNeed>

Please can I remind you that the children need to have **healthy snacks**, made up of fruit or vegetables.

Finally, **Mrs Hosford** will be out of the office for a planned medical procedure from 16 th November for up to three weeks. She will be able to respond to emails so please use emails and eschools to make contact with the school where possible. It may take us longer than usual to respond to requests and to the bell so please bear with us.

Yours sincerely,



Sharon Hunt



9-13th November Children in need Week

13th November Wear PE kit to school and send in a donation

External information:-

Dorchester Library October Half Term event: Let ZooLab take you on a wicked adventure 29th October. Follow our friendly witch, Zog, on a rhyming broomstick ride! She offers a ride to a selection of amazing animal hitchhikers, who the children will get to meet! However, it's not all plain sailing. Will Zog's journey end with a bump?

Perfect for families with children age 5+

Book 1 ticket for the whole family!

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/zoo-on-the-broom-with-zoolab-tickets-122254539619>

Dorset Family Information service newsletter link:-

<https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/october-newsletter?e=5ad5011868>

Dorset SEND newsletter link:- <https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/send-newsletter-3121266?e=5ad5011868>

Dorset Families magazine link:-

https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/families_dorset_so20_issuu?fr=sMmM4ODE5MzEwOTA