

Milborne Message 28.02.2020

Message from Sharon Hunt!

Dear Parents,

FoS are busy organising a school **visit to Dorchester Library** which will be funded by them so **FREE** to your children on Monday 2nd March. Hopefully you will have consented via Schoolcomms for your child to go and returned the membership form if you are not already a member and would like a library card arranged for you. These will either be given to us on the day or delivered to school.

We endeavour for all children to be able to attend trips and visits out of school, including swimming and expect a high level of behaviour at all times but especially when we are out and about. If we are concerned that this may not be the case, you will be asked to accompany your child to enable him/her to be able to attend.

We try to limit the information we send out, but I am aware there is often a lot to go through in the newsletters and sometimes we need to send out separate information, as we have done this week (Corona virus or Covid-19), Reminders and Parent Questionnaires) We are very mindful of over bombarding but sometimes it is unavoidable. We do really appreciate your time in reading these carefully, and responding to questionnaires.

I have been out on Trauma Informed Training for the last two days and look forward to sharing everything I am learning with you shortly, as I know this is something that interests many of you.

Have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely,



Sharon Hunt

Key information

- **SCHOOLCOMMS** - All Parents should have now created their Schoolcomms account. All trip consent or payment requests for any trips/events will now be via Schoolcomms. NO paper forms will be sent home in school bags, unless they have been organised by DASP e.g. DASP Concert. Therefore if you have not already created your account, please do so as soon as possible. If you are having any issues please come to the office. Thank you.
- **YEAR 3 SWIMMING** - The dates are on the calendar and will be a **MONDAY** afternoon. Miss Wittman has asked for at least 2 parent volunteers to help assist during the lessons and for one parent helping on the day, provide transport for x3 children (your child and 2 friends), if you are able to help on specific dates only or for the whole of the term please let Miss Wittman know via eSchools and a rota will be set up.

If we do not have enough adult support unfortunately we will have to cancel the session. Thank you in advance for any help you may be able to provide.

- **FoS** - Friends of School have organised a **whole school trip** to Dorchester Library on Monday 2nd March (this Monday). Please consent will be via Schoolcomms for your child to go. A parent is also invited to go but if you are not able to attend that is fine, please still consent for your child to go. If you are able to help as a parent helper, please let the office or Class Teacher know direct or comment via schoolcomms. Thank you.
- **WORLD BOOK DAY** - Thursday **5th March 2020**. This year children will be invited to 'Dress up as their Favourite Book Character' for a donation of £1 which will go towards new resources for the library area.
- **DASP Concert Wednesday 4th March** - Raccoons parents - Please ensure that you have consented and paid a contribution towards the DASP rehearsal coach via Schoolcomms. Please also return the slip to consent whether DASP are able to take photos and video record your children singing their songs which is shared with us and on their website. These will be group photos/video therefore no individuals photos or names will be used.
- **ROBINS & RACCOONS OE** - This is a gentle reminder that on either a Wednesday or Thursday afternoon depending upon when Adrian is available (the dates are on the website), your child will need their outdoor school PE kit, waterproof outerwear such as trousers and coats and most importantly their wellington boots. As the weather is a little unpredictable of late, we also recommend a hat, gloves and scarf just in case.
- **HOT School Meals** - The new menu is available to order online. Please ensure/double check that you have ordered meals for your child(ren) including the first week back after the Easter Break. There have been a few issues with Paypal payments, so please could we ask all parents to double check that a meal is on order for the days you are expecting a Hot School meal for your child. Thank you.
- **NITS** - Please could we ask that parents regularly check (once or twice a week) for Nits and treat accordingly straight away. For more information please follow this link: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/head-lice-pediculosis>
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Key Dates:-

- 2nd March - Whole School trip by FoS to Dorchester Library (**consent via Schoolcomms**)
- 4th March - School Nurse Drop in Session (8:45 - 9:15)
- 4th March - Raccoons Singing Festival Rehearsal @ THS (**consent & pay via Schoolcomms**)
- 4th March - DASP Singing Festival Concert (6pm @ Thomas Hardy School, Dorchester)
- 5th March - World Book Day (Dress up as favourite character for £1 donation)
- 6th March - CLASS Photos (9am - 10am)
- 12th March - **DOODLE Parent Workshop** (2:15 - 2:45 - **confirm attendance on Schoolcomms**)
- 13th March - Comic Relief Red Nose day
- 19th March - Irish Dancing Workshop (Raccoons only)
- 20th March - School Council Sale (raising money for Koalas)
- 24th March - Parent Consultations
- 26th March - Parent Consultations
- 3rd April - Egg rolling / Egg Decoration judging morning (Only 1 egg to be decorated)
- 3rd April - **LAST DAY OF TERM** (pick-up @ **1:15pm**)
- 6th April to 17th April - Easter School Holidays
- 20th April - First Day back for children
- 22nd to 24th April - Hooke Court Residential Trip (Year 4's)
- 23rd April - Parent Feedback session with Mrs Hunt (9am till 10am)

- 27th April - Year 4 Orienteering @ St Mary's Middle School (Yr 4's only)
- 5th May - Year 4 Bluebell Walk (Trees4Dorset) (Packed Lunch required)
- 8th May - VE BANK Holiday (no children in school)
- 13th May - Kingston Maurward Cow Maths trip (Raccoons only)
- 18th May - 22nd May - WALK to School Week
- 18th May - Reception Multi-skills festival @ St Mary's Middle School
- 15th May - 29th May - HALF TERM BREAK
- 1st June - First Day back for Children
- 2nd July - TRANSFER Day (Y4 parents to take and collect children from Middle School)
- 5th July - DASP Summer Festival @ Weymouth Pavilion (3pm onwards)
- 6th July - **SPORTS Day** (1:00 till 3:00pm)
- 9th July - Music Festival Day (PM - time to be confirmed)
- 13th July - Reserve Sports Day (1:00 till 3:00pm)
- 16th July - Celebration Assembly (2:00pm till 3:00pm)
- 17th July - Year 4 Leavers Assembly (9:00am till 10:30pm)
- 17th July - LAST DAY OF TERM (pick up @ 1:15pm)

Wider Community Information:-

- **FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE** - Please follow the link to the latest newsletter and information:- <https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/february-fis-newsletter?e=5ad5011868>
- **Baby & Toddler Groups** - Please visit www.playandbloom.co.uk for more information.
- **Dorset Council, Activity and Health Team** - Please see the link to their latest newsletter <https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/make-2020-your-year-to-get-active?e=5ad5011868>
- **Dorset Council Health** - Please follow the link to the latest newsletter <https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/youre-invited-for-an-nhs-health-check?e=5ad5011868>
- **Helen Eaton February Autism Newsletter** - Please follow this link to the latest newsletter <https://mailchi.mp/a7814fe9ed1d/february-autism-newsletter?e=f091d37836>
- **ACTIVATE - Coast & Greenspace Newsletter** - Please follow this link to the latest newsletter <https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/make-2020-your-year-to-get-active-3119537?e=5ad5011868>