



SCHOOL NEWS - 16th September 2022

Value of the month:

Compassion



Children due to start school for the first time September 2023

If your child has a DOB 1 September 2018 - 31 August 2019 and is due to start school for the first time in September 2023 you should apply on-line www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/school-admissions for their school place. Creating an account is simple and you will be able to view the outcome online on offer day 17 April 2023.

You will also receive full information of the outcome in a letter emailed on offer day. If you require a paper application form, please call admissions on 01305 221060. The deadline for applications is 15 January 2023



School Update

We are very excited to have secured funding for a brand new outdoor area for our Nursery and Reception children. This is coming very soon!

Our car park proposal is still underway but requires a lot of involvement with external professionals.

Our School Council, along with Mrs Ings, are redesigning our school field as we desperately need new equipment for the children.

Mrs Errington has embarked on Forest School training. We will be our own Forest School in the near future.

Miss Allen is currently looking into further sporting clubs and equipment, taking the children's interests into consideration, whilst planning sporting events with our pyramid of schools for the year.

Fun Friday will resume with Mrs Odhams, the last Friday in every month. Get your parents dancing before school and join in the fun on the playground!

PTFA meeting, activities and feedback

Thank you to all that attended our meeting on Monday. We shared some fantastic fundraising ideas and secured several dates throughout the year for fun and activities for the whole family whilst raising much needed funds for the school. A request for a mobile classroom was brought to our attention. Please note that mobile classrooms are usually used for additional space within oversubscribed schools. We have no need for a mobile classroom but do utilise outdoor learning wherever possible. As well as key dates for events throughout the year, we have decided to start a monthly tuc shop. Healthy eating will be encouraged as we launch this in the months to come. Small keepsakes will also be available (not just food) if you have a special skill and would

like to offer your services, e.g. little worry monsters or bookmarks, please do get in touch. Further details to follow. Volunteers for any PTFA event would be greatly appreciated.

Evening performances were also discussed. Unfortunately, staff are not expected to stay in school after a very long day with your loved ones. It is also too long to ask little ones to stay after school. However, I have taken on board the request for more tickets and this has been considered for future performances. Although, we do have a capacity in the hall that must be adhered to for health and safety reasons. There is still a position available for a Treasurer (to take care of our banking and record keeping). Please see myself or Chloe Patterson if you are interested.

Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day shops

We will be holding Mothers' and Fathers' Day shops nearer to these special dates. The intention is for the children to come to school with a small amount of money and choose a gift for a special adult in their life. If you have any special talent and would like to offer your services, please do get in touch and we would love to sell your items as special gifts.

Smarties Challenge- Raising money for our school

Before October Half term all the children will be receiving a tube of smarties from our PTFA and to do the arduous task of eating them all!

Then the children have been given the challenge of asking their family and friends to donate coins to fill up the tube (ideally 20p's/£1's) to raise money for our school

Once your child's Smartie tube is full please return it to the class teacher.

Achievements

Learners of the week:

Barn Owls: George for fantastic learning and problem solving during Maths.

Owls: Poppy for fantastic Artwork.

Kestrels: Andrew for being much more independent.

Hawks: Hugh for showing perseverance with learning.

Eagles: Lexi for persevering with numbers to 10 000 000 this week.

Other achievements:

Huw 1st place at the Dorset County Show for his shoe box scene 'The Palace Room'. He got his 1st certificate along with a rosette.

Natalie, and her pony Molly, won a lovely 6th place rosette for a jumping competition.

School Council

If your child is interested in representing the school and being a voice for pupils please be prepared to share with the class reasons why you would like to be nominated. Voting will take place next week.



SCARF

All children enjoyed a workshop on Tuesday covering key aspects of our Personal, Social, Health and Education. This cost us £365, if you could kindly contribute to this your support would be greatly appreciated. Please see the payment section on School Spider.

We will add to this by offering a parent workshop on Tuesday 4 October at 2.30pm to share our Relationships and Sex aspect of this curriculum area.

Google Classroom

Thank you for your patience with Google Classroom at the start of the year. We are now using external technical support who have set accounts up differently to what we are used to. All accounts should now be accessible but Mrs Odhams is holding a drop in session on Wednesday 21st September

Lost Property

Please label all items of clothing.

Our Lost Property box is always available at the main entrance and is full already! From time to time you will see items of lost property on the playground for you to browse during collection time. Forest School items

2.30-3.15 for anyone who requires further support. Bring your device to the hall and Mrs Odhams will try to help.	should be taken home very Monday, many items are left in the gazebo and some have been there all summer.
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Attendance</u></p> <p>Please join us for our attendance meeting on Monday 26th September at 9am, where I will be available for any questions relating to the importance of attendance and punctuality.</p> <p>Guidance in relation to COVID has not changed since July 2022. It is recommended that any child displaying COVID or respiratory infection symptoms are to stay at home for 3 days in order to prevent further spread. If an adult in the house has COVID, but your child is fit and well, they are ok to attend school.</p>	
Class:	Week beginning 12 September:
Owls	96%
Kestrels	97.9%
Hawks	98.3%
Eagles	97.2%
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Dates for your diary:</u></p> <p>Please see a separate document of key dates for the whole year. We will endeavour to stick to dates listed. However, planning so far in advance may require amendments.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all on Tuesday following The Queen's funeral on Monday. Mrs Waring and all staff at Hazelbury Bryan Primary School.</p>	