



Snow, snow...and then it was gone!



Thank you for your understanding in our difficult decision to close the school on Thursday and Friday of last week. The decision was made on Thursday as we were concerned about families and staff travelling home in the deteriorating conditions. Having seen the news of motorists being stranded on major roads for hours we clearly made the safest decision. Safety and wellbeing has to come first.

We hope you made the most of the unusual weather – the children certainly enjoyed telling us about their snowmen, sledging and hot chocolate!

Mrs Frampton and Mrs Matthews

Annual Reports to Parents

Parents of children in Years 1-6 have received their child's annual report today. Children in Reception and Nursery will receive their report in July. If your child has only recently joined the school, they will also receive their full report in July. Parent Consultations in the week of 19th March will give you the opportunity to discuss the report and ask any questions.

Parking

Please park sensibly and carefully on the school site and surrounding roads. It is important that we show consideration for our neighbours but we also need to allow easy and quick access for emergency vehicles at all times, including drop off and pick up times. Thank you for your assistance.

Thank you!

I would like to make a special mention to thank our very honest parents/carers, visitors and children. Recently I have had a number of valuable items handed into reception that have been found on the school grounds. Every item ranging from mobile phones, bank cards and even house keys I have been able to return to their rightful owner. Thank you

Miss Miles

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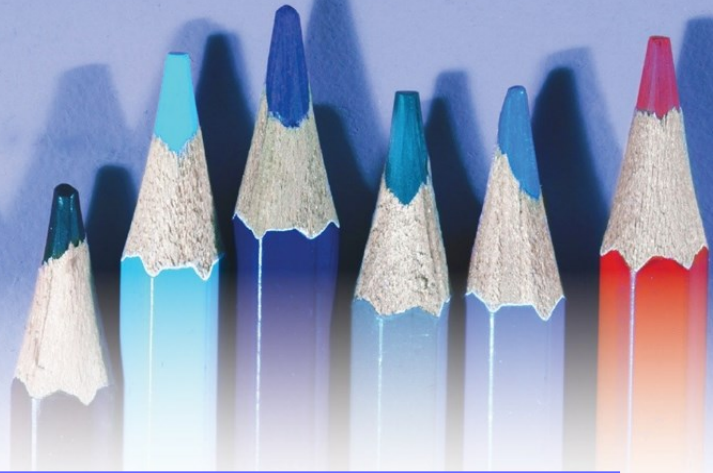
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Rescheduling of Events

- 2YP's class assembly was postponed due to the school closure. It will be rescheduled for **WEDNESDAY 14th MARCH at 9.00am.**
- World Book Day, Dress Up Day and Books at Bedtime will be rescheduled. The dates will be confirmed in due course.
- The Anxiety Workshop is rescheduled for **THURSDAY 15th MARCH at 9.00am**
We are sorry for any inconvenience caused.

Complaints

We work very hard as a school to offer your children the best education we can. There may be times when you feel we have slipped below the standards you would expect. On these occasions we are committed to resolving any concerns you have. There are systems in place to ensure these are resolved in a calm and professional manner. The school will not tolerate any member of staff feeling intimidated or abused and we are sure you would all fully support this.

The school will also not tolerate any member of staff being abused or insulted on social media and if this is reported to the school, the Governors will consider what action is necessary.

Please, please, please come and speak calmly to your child's class teacher or Phase Leader or Mr Walsh or Mrs Doherty who are both outside every morning and afternoon or Mr Wallace or Mrs Frampton if you have any concerns. This way they can be resolved.

There is also a copy of the school's Complaints Policy on the website www.somerford.dorset.sch.uk and a copy is available on request from the school office.



Parent Nominated Somerford Stars

This week we are celebrating....
Oliver in 4SC for achieving his purple belt in Martial Arts. Mummy is super proud, well done!

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Sports for All

On Wednesday, Somerford had the pleasure of meeting an Olympic swimmer Joe Roebuck. He came into school to participate in a circuits organised by Sports for All. The children had a great time participating in a circuit to raise money for PE equipment for our school. We would like to thank everyone for the sponsor money we have received so far and can we remind you that the money must be in by Wednesday 14th March

After School Clubs

Due to parent consultations, a reminder that there will be no after school clubs the week commencing 19th March

New Lunch Menu

From Monday 16th April the kitchen will be running a new menu. This will be available to collect from the end of next week. Please be advised that if your child is on a current 'roll over' menu that your current chosen Red and Green options may no longer be suitable. If you would like to make a new menu selection please do so no later than **Wednesday 28th March** (1 day earlier due to Thursday 29th March being our last day of term) to ensure your child receives their chosen meals the first week of Summer term. If you have any questions about ordering lunches please do not hesitate to speak to Miss Miles in the reception office who will be happy to talk you about the process.

Collection

Please may we remind you that children in the Infants must be collected at 3.10pm and children in the Juniors must be collected at 3.20pm. If you are not able to be at school by these times it is your responsibility to make arrangements for someone else to collect your child and let the office know what these arrangements are. Thank you.



Goodbye

Next week we will be saying goodbye to one of our longstanding cleaners Mr Peters who will be retiring after 20 years at Somerset. We will all miss him and want to thank him for the time he has given to the school and wish him a long, happy and healthy retirement.



News from the community



BEAVERS!
OPEN EVENING
Monday 19th March 5.15pm-6.30pm
Somerford Scout Hut, Mallory Close

If your child is aged between 5¾ - 8 years old and interested in doing outdoors, creative and fun activities then you should come along to our taster evening. Parents are invited to stay to see what we do and if your child enjoys it then you can sign him/her up to begin their first steps in the world of scouting.

See Flyer for more details
We look forward to seeing you!

The next newsletter will be on Friday 23rd March 2018

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