



THURSDAY 22 JULY 2021

Wow! What another strange year! I have continued to be amazed by our children every day—their resilience, their kindness and their love for learning. Despite lockdowns, remote learning, relentless cold and rain and now a heatwave nothing has dampened their spirits or stopped them from making excellent progress.

I am very proud of them and am sure you are too.

I am also proud of our whole staff team who have truly gone above and beyond this year.

Finally, thank you to you as parents. You have been patient with us, supportive and kind. We really value working with you as a team to ensure your children achieve all they can. I know we might not always get it right but we have really been grateful to you when you ask us questions kindly, raise issues and work with us patiently to put things right.

I hope you have a fantastic summer and I look forward to seeing you again in September!

Mrs Frampton

Gates and Times for September

As previously explained, we are keeping our staggered starts and finishes for the month of September and then we will review.

However, we will only be having a 5 minute gap between bubbles now we are used to the system.

Back gate

Year 1	8.40 start	3.05 End
Year 2	8.45 start	3.10 End
Year 3	8.50 start	3.25 End

Front gate

Year 4	8.40 start	3.15 End
Year 5	8.45 start	3.20 End
Year 6	8.50 start	3.25 End
Reception	9.00 start	3.25 End

Parents will be asked to drop off at the gates as we have done this year. Reception parents however, will be allowed to take their child to the classroom for the first week.

Car Boot Sale

We raised over £70 at the Lions Club car boot sale! Thank you to those parents who ran the stall for us. If you are able to help with future stalls, please let the office know. Donations for future sales would be gratefully received too.

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PMG Uniform Shop

If you wish to visit the shop to buy uniform you will need to book an appointment. The cut off for orders is 12th August to ensure you receive your uniform in time. Please do not leave it too late as all children will be expected to be in full uniform from September. Please talk to Mr Walsh if you have any uniform concerns or questions.

Race for Life Event

A HUGE thank you to our whole school community for raising a staggering **£2,614.17!!**

This money really will make a difference to the charities. The children learnt a lot about helping others, being kind and caring through the event. It was also very special to have Mrs May's memorial bench at the finish line.

Thank you to everyone who donated or collected sponsors!

I would also like to say a special thank you to Ms Gaines for suggesting, organising and running this event.

Skills Builder

We are very proud to have been awarded the Silver award for our Skills Builder work in school. Thank you to Mrs Cook for leading the work on this.



Skills Builder

Silver Award

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Mudford Lifeboat Guild Story Competition

Congratulations to Ruby in Year 6 who has won an 'Extra Special' award in this writing competition. There were 203 entries from various schools so this is a wonderful achievement. Well done Ruby!

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New website for parents to boost child's learning and wellbeing this summer

The DfE have launched a brand new site, designed especially for parents, with the support, information and resources they need to help their children enjoy the summer holidays and prepare for the next academic year.

The site features links to programmes, activities, resources and videos to boost children's learning and wellbeing aimed at parents of 0-19 year olds, with extra information for parents of SEND children.

Visit www.educationcatchup.campaign.gov.uk

Waterman's Park

There are a range of summer activities at Waterman's Park. Please see flyer sent on Marvellous Me for details.

This weekend, Somersetford ARC Community Centre are holding a picnic at Waterman's Park with free activities. They are encouraging families to bring a picnic but there will be a fish and chip van onsite if you wish to purchase lunch.



Soundstorm and Wave activities

SUMMER WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES FROM SOUNDSTORM AND WAVE! Free! All in Bournemouth Lower Gardens, weekdays...

More info at: www.soundstorm-music.org.uk and www.waveartseducation.org.uk or on their Facebook pages.

Numbers are limited so you will need to sign up on the day, on site, prior to the sessions. There will be 4-5 sessions per day, from 10am – 4.30pm, for children and families

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DTCA Play Soccer Schools

There is a fantastic opportunity for FREE places at the holiday clubs via the HAF Programme for free school meal children. The flyer has all of the information about dates and times, also all of the information about how to book.



Thank you to the PTA

We have purchased £1,436.55 worth of resources to enhance our Read Write Inc programme and extend this to Year 4 next year. These were purchased with funds raised by the PTA so we would like to say thank you to them but also to parents for donating at events.

Summer holiday food vouchers

The Local Authority has again issued food vouchers for children in receipt of free school meals for the 6 week break. This is part of the government's Holiday Activity Fund. Your voucher should arrive with you on Monday. If you have any issues accessing it please email jhill@somerford.dorset.sch.uk by 30th July. After this time there will be no one in school available to help you until September.

School training days for next academic year—school closed to pupils

Thursday 2nd September 2021

Friday 1st October 2021

Friday 17th December 2021

Friday 18th February 2022

Monday 21st March 2022

Friday 22nd July 2022—in lieu of Queen's Jubilee bank holiday which falls in a holiday

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Staff leavers

We have held two emotional assemblies for staff who were leaving. We managed to gather outside together as a school sat in our bubbles to give our leavers the send off they deserved.

As you know, Mrs Sheppard and Mrs Wilcox are retiring, Ms Gaines is moving to France and Mrs Cook has been promoted to Assistant Headteacher at Christchurch Junior School. Mrs McCarthy is moving on to new things too.

Sadly, we also learnt only this week that Mrs Newman will be leaving us after 4 years as an incredible teaching assistant. She will be moving to Highcliffe School to work with older children. We are very sad to be saying goodbye but wish her lots of luck in her new role.

Year 6 leavers

Sadly, Year 6 have not been able to perform their Leavers' Assembly in the usual way, however they have had great fun making a film and this will shortly be available on our YouTube channel to view. Year 6 have been an awesome group of children and we are very proud of them. Good luck in your new schools!

Ice cream!

Thank you to Big Chief Ices who visited us today and gave an ice cream or lolly to each child and member of staff. A very well deserved end of term treat for everyone which went down especially well in this heat!!

Foodbank

Thank you for your generous and kind donations to Christchurch Foodbank. We are always humbled by your generosity.

Dates

School is now closed.

We reopen on Friday 3rd September.

Reception start for 2 half days on 9/10 September with a Stay and Play session on 8th September. Full details are in the information pack you received.

Date of next newsletter

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If you need support this summer.....

MASH

01202 123334

E-mail—childrensfirstresponse@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Family Information Directory

01202 093131

familyinformation@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Christchurch Foodbank +

Mondays, 10am – 12pm (donations only)

Tuesdays, 10am – 12pm

Thursdays, 11am – 1pm

Fridays, 2pm – 4pm

07587 371088 or 07536 983678

Citizens Advice Bureau

www.citizensadvicebcp.org.uk

Access to Food Map

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Together we can

0300 123 7052

BCP Council Crisis Advice Team

01202 096622

Connection (Dorset's 24/7 mental health line)

0300 123 5440

BHCA Domestic Abuse Helpline

01202 710777

Childline

0800 1111

Samaritans

116 123

You First

0800 032 5204

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