



JANUARY

FRIDAY 7 JANUARY 2022

Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a restful and healthy holiday. It has been great to see all of the children working so hard on their return.

I am sure you will have heard on the news the struggles schools are having with staff absence currently. We are not yet 'struggling' but we are definitely needing to fill gaps and each day brings new challenges. We do have staff and pupils currently off with positive cases and we wish them all the best for swift recoveries. We really appreciate your ongoing patience and understanding in these difficult times.

Mrs Frampton

Lateral Flow Testing

It has been suggested by Public Health and the Local Authority that you test your child with a Lateral Flow Device before they attend school on a Monday morning. **We would urge you to test your child twice a week and daily if they are a close contact of someone who has tested positive.**

Whilst we encourage this as an additional protective measure, it is your choice and we will not be asking for or collecting results.



Number Day is on the 4th February 2022.

Your child can come dressed in the theme for this year's NSPCC Number Day 'Dress up for Digits'. We ask that the children, who would like to participate, bring in £1 which will go to the NSPCC.

This could be a football top, or there will be prizes for the best home-made costume! We look forward to seeing their costumes!

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Vacancies SITE ASSISTANT

Somerford Primary School is situated on a large campus in Christchurch, Dorset. We have expansive grounds and we take pride in our school and buildings. We work closely as a team and are looking for a new team member to join us as soon as possible.

We are seeking to appoint a Site Assistant to carry out a full range of duties supporting the Site Manager in the day to day security, safety, cleanliness, and general maintenance of the school site. This role requires a person with the necessary skills and experience to ensure the security and maintenance of the school site. Full details can be found in the Job Description and Personal Specification.

The successful applicant will be required to work 25 hours per week, Monday to Friday 11.00am – 4.00pm, 52 weeks per year. BCP Grade D £13,048 - £13,309 per annum, pro rata.

Closing date for applications Wednesday 19 January 2022
Interviews will be held on: Tuesday 25 January 2022

SCH005 MIDDAY ASSISTANT SCH005 LEVEL 1

Somerford Primary School requires a permanent lunchtime supervisor to ensure the safety, general welfare and conduct of pupils during the midday break. The successful applicant will also promote and support pupils' positive play.

BCP Salary Grade C, Point 3 £18,065 - £18,933 per annum, pro rata. The successful applicant will be required to work 1.25 hours per day, 38 weeks per year, term time only.

Closing Date: Monday 17 January 2022
Interview Date Friday 21 January 2021

Somerford Primary School values the diversity of our workforce and welcomes applications from all sectors of the community. Somerford Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people; this is a commitment which we expect all staff and volunteers to share. The successful candidate will be required to have a Disclosure and Barring Service check in line with the Governments safer recruitment guidelines.

Information about our school is available on the school website at www.somerford.dorset.sch.uk. For any further information or to discuss the posts, please contact the Headteacher's PA, Mrs Assinder on (01202) 485436.

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Watermans Park January Programme



Park Life

Saturday 29th Jan, 2pm - 4pm

Nature based activities for the whole family. At this month's Park Life session we will be making our own solitary bee homes.

In Britain we have around 270 species of bee, of which just under 250 are solitary. These bees are under threat, largely down to habitat loss. By creating homes for them and encouraging wildflower meadows we can all play our part in restoring our pollinator populations.

Free event - Book at parksfoundation.org.uk/events



Nature Tots

Tuesday 18th, 25th 10am - 11am

If you and your little ones enjoy spending time outdoors and learning about nature, then NatureTots is the place to be.

A fun, nature based playgroup for under 5's and their carer's, where child-led play and free exploration is mixed with hands-on learning experiences that are themed around nature and the changing seasons.

Free event - Book at parksfoundation.org.uk/events



The RSPB Big Bird Watch

Be wowed by your local wildlife. Big Garden Birdwatch is for everyone, whether you're a complete beginner or a birding expert. Simply count the birds you see in your garden, from your balcony or in your local park for one hour between 28 and 30 January 2022.

www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch

Book via Eventbrite: bit.ly/Eventbrite-ParksFoundation
parksfoundation.org.uk/events

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