



## FRIDAY 21 JULY 2023

Can you believe we have reached the end of this year? It seems to have flown by! I am so proud of what our children have achieved this year, they never cease to amaze me. I want to say a huge thank you to all the staff in every team across the school. They work hard every day to make sure our school is the best it can be and their dedication and enthusiasm is second to none.

And finally, a thank you to you as parents and carers. You are so supportive of the school and the staff team, you are patient if we get things wrong (we are only human!) and grateful when we get things right. It really does mean a lot to us. I hope you all have a great summer and enjoy some time together –hopefully in the sun!

Mrs Frampton

### September

School returns on Monday 4th September for Years 1-6. Reception join us for 2 half days on Thursday 7th and Friday 8th September.

Breakfast Club will be open from 7.45am on 4th September.

### Start and End timings for September

Year Group	Start time	End time	Gate
R	8.55	3.25	Front
1	8.50	3.20	Front
2	8.45	3.15	Front
3	8.45	3.20	Front
4	8.40	3.15	Front
5	8.40	3.15	Side
6	8.45	3.20	Side

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### Attendance

Our expectation for attendance is 96% or above.

Children need to be in school every day and on time to ensure the best chance of reaching their potential.

Please remember that where possible, medical appointments should be made out of school time and the school will not authorise leave in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances (please provide evidence).

Holidays are not considered exceptional circumstances and are likely to result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to each parent for each child.

Attendance at the end of this week

**Whole school: 92.8% compared to 93.7% nationally**

Year 1: 93.6% (93.5 nationally)

Year 2: 93.5% (94.1 nationally)

Year 3: 95.1% (94.3 nationally)

Year 4: 93.0% (94.3% nationally)

Year 5: 91.3% (94.1% nationally)

Year 6: 92.9% (94.0% nationally)

### Pre loved uniform

We still have a good stock of pre loved uniform for which we only ask a small donation. Children will be expected to be in full uniform from September so please ask if we can help with this.

### Holiday food vouchers

Please note if you have more than one child you may find one voucher has been sent to your mobile number and one to your email. Please check both. Unfortunately we will not be able to help with vouchers over the summer holidays.

### Holiday Club

There are still some places available for our free holiday club over the summer. Email [ldibden@premier-education.com](mailto:ldibden@premier-education.com) if you would like to book a place for your child.

### INSET dates for next year

Friday 1/9/23

Friday 29/9/23

Tuesday 2/1/24

Friday 9/2/24

**Monday 8/7/24**—this is change from 5/7/24

### Date of next newsletter

Friday 8 September 2023

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If you need support this summer.....

MASH

01202 123334

E-mail—[childrensfirstresponse@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:childrensfirstresponse@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

Family Information Directory

01202 093131

[familyinformation@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto: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](http://www.citizensadvicebcp.org.uk)

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

Steph Rice, our school Navigator is also running drop in sessions at the Family Hub (old Children's Centre next to school) on Thursdays between 10am and 12pm.

If you are really struggling and don't know where to turn, please email the school office and someone will get back to you as soon as we can. Please note the school email will not be monitored daily and we cannot respond to general enquiries while school is closed.

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