



FRIDAY 3 MAY 2024

Just a reminder that it is a bank holiday weekend so school will be closed on Monday.
We hope you enjoy the extra day of no school runs!
Mrs Frampton

Parking around school

Please can I remind you to be considerate when parking outside of school and to be considerate to our neighbours. We do not want an accident to happen.
Thank you

After school club survey

Our survey only takes 1 minute to complete—please help us understand your needs for the provision better. The survey can be found at <https://forms.office.com/e/P9jhEaL3g3>

Attendance

Our expectation for attendance is 96% or above.
The school will not authorise leave in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.
Holidays are not considered exceptional circumstances and are likely to result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to each parent for each child.

Year group	School	National
1	92.4%	94.3%
2	93.6%	94.8%
3	92.9%	94.8%
4	92.5%	94.8%
5	93.5%	94.6%
6	90.0%	94.4%

These figures are well below national expectations but there has been some improvement—thank you! . Please ensure your child is in school, on time, every day they can be.

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World Password Day

The first Thursday in May is World Password day. Children have been learning about how to create strong secure passwords for their accounts. Here are some top tips for you:

- *longer passwords are harder to crack
- *passwords made of random, unrelated words are strong e.g. FriendsHippoMaze
- *adding numbers and special characters are even stronger e.g. Fr1endsH!pp0M@ze
- *change passwords regularly- recommendation is every 2 weeks
- *use two factor authentication when offered



ARBOR

If you are having problems using /accessing Arbor to pay for meals, trips or give consents please phone or email the school office on office@somerford.dorset.sch.uk, alternatively please pop into the Reception office where the staff will be happy to help you.

Absent pupils

If your child is going to absent from school can you please contact the school by 9am that morning by telephone, Arbor, MME or email the school on office@somerford.dorset.sch.uk

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**New After School Child Care Provision!!
NOW OPEN!
Book NOW!
Details below**

After school child care provision

We are really excited to let you know that our after school child care club, run by Premier Education is now open. The club will run from the end of the school day until 5.30pm. You can book your child for either

End of day until 5.30 (£9)

<https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/875746>

End of day until 4.30 (£4)

<https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/875743>

4.30-5.30 (if your child is going to a sports club at school first) (£5)

<https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/875748>

Children will have a snack and a drink and take part in a range of activities. The club will be held in the old computing room near the Y5 and Y6 gate. Collection is from the outside doors to the room which will be clearly signed.

Booking is essential and children cannot attend the provision without payment being made in advance. Booking can be made until 2pm on the previous day.

We appreciate the costs are higher than Breakfast Club which is run by the school.

The only way we are able to keep costs of Breakfast Club as low as they are is because we receive funding from the National Schools Programme and Waitrose.

This funding is only available to school breakfast clubs.

Premier Education do accept childcare vouchers.

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