



FRIDAY 9 MAY 2025

SOMERFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the 9 new children who have joined us since Easter. It is wonderful to have you with us and see you settle in to our school family so quickly.
Mrs Frampton

Learning Events over the last week....

- Our lunchtime social skills and mindfulness groups continued with Mrs Miles
- Rocksteady lessons continued after the amazing performances last week
 - Mr Moody returned to Year 3 for another tri golf lesson
- Mrs Hinz-James took a group of children to a Shooting Stars multi skills festival at the Grange School
- we had a series of assemblies reminding us how to keep safe in Road Safety Week
 - Year 5 enjoyed a dance workshop with Mrs Binney
 - Year 6 students worked hard in their last Booster sessions
 - We enjoyed another Hot Chocolate Friday

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. **This has now increased to £80 per parent, per child.**

Attendance for the last two weeks

Year group	Attendance	
Whole school	94.19%	Below
1	97.31%	Above
2	91.73%	Below
3	96.81%	In line
4	92.88%	Below
5	93.85%	Below
6	93.68%	Below

Remember

Holidays will not be authorised in school time and a Penalty Notice will be requested.

Well done to Year 1 and Year 3!

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PTA events coming up.....

Own Clothes Friday! On **Friday 16th of May** students will be free to turn up in their own clothes. We are asking families who feel they can to send their child in with a £1 donation for SPARC.

We will follow this up on **Friday, 23th of May** with our inaugural SPARC after school Film Club. We will be screening Migration (On the Big Screen). Spaces will need to be reserved, we will charge a small fee for refreshments (A cup of Popcorn and Squash) which will be collected in advance. You can book your child's place via Arbor.

SPARC PRESENTS
and Somerford Primary School

after school
FILM CLUB
23 MAY 2025 | 3:30 to 5:00PM

**NOW SHOWING
MIGRATION**

£1 Refreshment fee
(popcorn and squash)

All money raised will be used to cover refreshment costs and for future events by SPARC

VE Day celebrations

Yesterday children across the school enjoyed learning about and remembering VE Day.

We wore red, white and blue and started the day with a live assembly led by the Royal British Legion. In the afternoon, classes enjoyed a picnic on the field. Have a look on the school social media accounts for photos of our celebrations!

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KS2 SATs week

Nest week, Year 6 will be taking their SATs tests. These are statutory end of primary school tests which all children have to sit at the end of Y6. The children are very well prepared for this and we know they will all do their best. This weekend they would benefit from good sleep, good food and drink and plenty of relaxation—no last minute cramming is needed! Please ensure children are in school every day and on time next week. Year 6 will start each day with a special breakfast in the school hall from 8.30am.

Half term

A reminder that school closes for half term on Friday 23rd May at the usual time and reopens on Monday 2nd June.

Trips and visits

There are lots of trips in the first week back after half term. Please make sure you have consented for your child to attend via Arbor and that you have paid your contribution. Unfortunately, we will have to make the difficult decision to cancel trips if we do not cover the costs.

VE Day

We enjoyed marking the 80 year anniversary of VE Day in school on Thursday. We started the day with an assembly by the Royal British Legion and learnt about the day in our classes. In the afternoon we enjoyed picnics on the field. Everyone looked great in their red, white and blue!

Parent survey headlines

My child is happy at school 4.55/5

My child feels safe at school 4.69/5

The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved 4.46/5

When I have raised concerns they have been dealt with 4.4/5

My child does well at this school 4.57/5

Full survey results attached

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Mrs Whitehead



Mrs Whitehead is our Year 3 teacher.

Mrs Whitehead has many important jobs in school including:

- leading PE across the school
- organising the sports clubs and competitions
- organising Sports Day and Sports Week
- being our Educational Visits Coordinator and making sure our trips take place safely
- leading our House Point system across the school

A typical day for Mrs Whitehead may include teaching Year 3, meeting with Premier Education to organise the next round of after school clubs, working with the House Captains to see who has won the House Cup that week and writing a risk assessment for a sports competition.

If you would like to contact Mrs Whitehead you can email on 3ew@somerford.dorset.sch.uk or call the school office on 01202 485436. Next time we will find out more about Mrs Miles!

Community Breakfast

Thank you to those parents who attended on Tuesday. We hope you enjoyed your breakfast!

Summer term INSET Day—school closed—reminder

Monday 30th June

School is closed on this day to pupils. Teachers will be in school focussing on transition and planning for the next academic year

Date of next newsletter

Friday 23rd May 2025

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