



Head Teacher Update

I can certainly tell we are moving towards the end of term. I am giving a bit of a reminder about positive behaviour across the school. We are working on the lower level behaviour, with active listening skills and children following simple instructions. As you know, we have moved away from very traditional behaviour systems of punishment, but children also need to learn about consequences for behaviour. Our expectations are clear that we expect children to listen in at certain points in the day. We expect them to walk around the school in a calm and orderly fashion for primarily the safety of everyone.

I also expect the children to use basic manners throughout the day, including lunchtime. I want lunchtimes to be a social experience for children, but it can also be a calm buzz which benefits all children regardless of their individual needs. We have 311 children at the school at the moment which means we are at full capacity, so need to ensure that the space is used effectively and meets the needs of all children, which is a challenge. All children have their own needs so we try to ensure that our Therapeutic approach is used for all children but they also modify their behaviour when it is required. This is done by teaching them about consequences for different types of behaviour whether this be disruptive or dangerous. I am VERY proud of the behaviour but it is important that this is maintained for everyone in the school.

We have had an assembly from Dorset Waste Partnership this week and the children should have brought some information home about a competition this week. The Waste Partnership were also on the playground on Wednesday giving out food caddies. We hope you managed to get one!

Year 4 will be out of school next week from Monday to Wednesday and I will be joining them for this visit. Mrs Lake will be in school during this period as Deputy Headteacher. We hope for some great weather and that the children really have a superb learning experience. I am incredibly grateful to the staff who have given their time for this trip to take place.

Online Safety Announcement

Just Talk Kids - We have been informed about the children using an online app called Just Talk Kids. This app allows children to talk online to their peers, send messages, photos and videos. Please can we remind parents and carers to monitor the usage on the devices and ensure children are being sensible with their online chats. We will continue our e-safety sessions in school to reinforce staying safe online and inform parents where necessary.

Mr Bagwell

Headteacher

Diary Dates

Mon 25th Mar	Dr Bike
Mon 25th Mar	POPS Pre-Loved Uniform Sale 3pm
Thurs 28th Mar	Non Uniform Day

[Link to Key Dates](#)

Deadlines

Breakfast & After School Club bookings must be made on ParentMail 7 days before the date you wish to book.

Please ensure bookings are made in advance to avoid disappointment.

School Attendance

Whole School - 95.2%

YR - 94.1%

Y1 - 95.1%

Y2 - 95.7%

Y3 - 95.3%

Y4 - 95.7%

The school day begins at

8.45am.

Gates open at 8.30am

Emailing Messages

When emailing the school office, please may we remind all parents to include your child's full name and class so messages can be forwarded quickly to teachers. Thank you very much.

Peardrops - Summer Term 1

The Peardrops booking window for Summer Term 1 is now open on ParentMail. You will be able to make Breakfast and After School Club bookings for Monday 15th April to Friday 24th May inclusive. As always, bookings are on a first come, first served basis so please book early to avoid disappointment. If any dates you require are fully booked, please email the school office to be added to the waiting list.

Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

POPS will be holding a Pre-Loved Uniform Sale on **Monday 25th March** from 3.00pm outside the Jubilee Room.

Non Uniform Day

The last day of term, **Thursday 28th March** will be a non school uniform day in exchange for voluntary donations of £1.00. Thank you very much for your continued support to the school.

Parking

Please remember, NO cars (other than pre-arranged taxis and current permit holders) are allowed into the car park between 8.00 - 9.00am and 2.30 - 4.00pm. If your child is arriving after 9.00am due to an appointment, please park safely or park outside on the road and walk in. The car park is used for children and families to walk through during drop off and collection so NO cars should be mobile at this time. We have also unfortunately had a number of minor accidents in the car park recently where staff cars have been damaged.

Dr Bike

Don't forget Sustrans Bike It Officers have organised a Dr Bike maintenance day on **Monday 25th March**. This is to ensure that those cycling to school are doing so on bikes which are safe and fit for purpose. They will be at the school during the school day, completing basic cycle maintenance and safety checks on all bikes whose owners have given us permission to have them checked over. They should have time to complete most simple repairs, depending on the number of bikes and timings on the day.

Whilst bikes owned by the pupils will be our priority, this maintenance check-up is also open to staff and parents/guardians who wish to leave their bike with us. We cannot guarantee that all adult bikes will be checked if there is a high volume of bikes owned by the pupils, however they will endeavour to look at as many as possible on the day. You will find them by the bike sheds on arrival. **Anna Philips and Jon Thompson - Sustrans Bike It Plus Officers for Dorset**

Dr Bike

Monday 25th March-All day

Does your bike need a bit of love and attention?

Give us permission to check over your bike at school drop off and we will aim to get your bike fixed and ready for the journey home-all for FREE!



Community News

Coming to Parley First School on Saturday 22nd June 2024!!
 Tickets on Sale next week.

HAPPY'S CIRCUS

Even the kids will love it!

In this together
 School Attendance

“Talk to us if you're worried about getting your child to school.”

Struggling to get your child to school? Help is available – find out more:
dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/attendance

Dorset Council Making Dorset a great place to **Live, Work and Visit**

Skips Safety Net Keeping children safe online

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying

Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence. They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.

It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skipssafetynet.org Tel: +44 121 227 1941

Developed in partnership with:

- Home Office
- West Midlands Violence Reduction Unit
- West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner

Skips www.skipssafetynet.org

LOOKING FOR FUN EVENING FITNESS CLASSES?
 Come and join my Adult Zumba classes, every Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, from 19:30 at Parley First School. Your first class is free, so come and give it a go! (£5 pay as you go thereafter).

Classes are suitable for all levels and we are all a friendly bunch. For more info message me on 07921568662

If you aren't sure if Zumba is for you, please see some encouraging reviews from some of my lovely clients below, on Zumba.com:
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