



Head Teacher Update

I really hope that you all have a lovely Easter break. I know that the children and staff are certainly ready for one now. It has been a long term, particularly as we came back on 2nd January. At least the months are getting lighter now. Thank you to all of you who attended the Parent Consultations this week. I hope that you found them useful and a good chance to hear how your child is progressing in school.

We have tried to work around the weather this week as we always try to give the children the opportunity for an Easter Egg Hunt at this time of which POPS organise and fund for the children. Even with poor weather, we hope the children enjoyed it. Our aim is always to hide them around the grounds but with the field as soggy as it is it's not the best idea.

Today one of our staff members reaches her retirement. Mrs O'Connor has worked at Parley for the past 30 years which is an incredible achievement. She has been a huge part of the development of the school over the years and will be really missed by everyone at the school. We wish her every happiness in her retirement as she is now taking the opportunity to travel the world and see some of the sites in some very exotic and exciting places.

I am looking and continuing to broaden our after school club offer after the Easter Break. I have been approached by a university student who has a passion for ecology and minibeasts who would like to run an after school club called Crazy About Creatures. He wants to try and inspire children to learn about a whole range of creatures and teach them about their habitats, bringing in one creature per week and including activities around how to look after them, where they live in the world and how to help maintain this. I am just trying to sort out final details and logistics with him but more information will be with you soon.

We will look forward to seeing all of you after the Easter break! Have a safe and happy holiday.

Mr Bagwell

Headteacher

Diary Dates

Mon 15th Apr	Return to School
Tues 16th Apr	Middle School Outcome Day
Tues 16th Apr	Year R Height & Weight Measurements

[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 - 95.0%

YR - 93.8%

Y1 - 94.9%

Y2 - 95.6%

Y3 - 95.1%

Y4 - 95.6%

The school day begins at

8.45am.

Gates open at 8.30am

Happy's Circus

Happy's Circus will be coming to Parley First School on **Saturday 22nd June 2024**. Tickets are now on sale!



Click the link below to get yours at the Early Bird ticket price of £12 per ticket.

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/partnersofparleyschoolpops/1193164>

HC3S are changing their name

Our current hot school meal provider are changing their name and logos so it may look different if you go to their websites. They are still award-winning caterers, managed by Hampshire County Council now known as Education Catering, formerly known as HC3S. Visit the pages on their website for their menus and other information.

[News | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

You can also keep up to date by following them on social media.

[Facebook: @hc3seducation](#) | [Twitter: @hc3s6](#)

Easter Competition

Congratulations to Charlie and Lucas in Year 2 and Hallie in Year R who are our lucky winners of the Spring Artwork Easter Competition! Well done and thank you to everyone who entered the competition. We had some fantastic entries!

Community News



KINGS KIOSK is now open! You'll find us opposite the park in Ferndown (on King George playing fields) serving delicious coffee, homemade cakes, New Forest ice cream, hot paninis, milkshakes and confectionery. You can follow us on social media platforms where you can keep up to date with any daily deals and our opening times!



<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556274511319>



https://www.instagram.com/kingskiosk?igsh=MTRsbjl4Z3BiNWlreQ%3D%3D&utm_source=qr



We look forward to seeing you there!

♥♥ Jen & Lou ♥♥



Community News



HAPPY'S CIRCUS
Even the kids will love it!

PARLEY FIRST SCHOOL

SATURDAY 22nd JUNE 2024
Tickets on sale now!



MINSTER Praise EASTER Eggs-travaganza!

Sunday 31 March 11.15am - 12.00

Easter Egg hunt

Crafts
Music
Refreshments

and an 'Egg Quiz'!



LAST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH, 10-12PM

Saturday Club

Find us through The Larder or the Garden Gate in the precinct

All-age Community Cafe:
Toast, snacks & drinks by donation

Stay & Play:
Arts/crafts, Lego, Playdough, toys & more!

Free entry

Free Wifi

Warm space



FCS Saturday Club

At Ferndown Day Centre, Penny's Walk precinct, BH22 9JP. What3words desire.kicks.stacks

www.ferndowncommunitysupport.org.uk



FREE TICKET OFFER!

Proudly sponsored by:




This voucher entitles the child / young adult (U18) from the participating School and up to 3 guests complimentary admission to our forthcoming league game below.

'Pitching In' Southern Premier League South

POOLE TOWN FC v MERTHYR TOWN FC

DATE: Saturday 6th April 2024
3pm Kick off

Black Gold Stadium, off Well Lane, Poole, BH15 3JR

TO QUALIFY: at least one Under 18 and one adult must be admitted with this ticket.

ADMISSION: Please print this form and enter the name of the participating school who sent it and number of people attending and hand in upon entrance to the ground.

PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY TO AVOID DELAYS

The voucher has no cash value and cannot be substituted for attendance at any other match at Black Gold Stadium.

Poole Town FC reserves the right to refuse admission.

Name of qualifying school: _____ Number of people admitted with this voucher:



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STARFEST 2024
TUESDAY 2ND - THURSDAY 4TH APRIL

THE ALLENDALE CENTRE, WIMBORNE, DORSET, BH21 1AS

A three-day event celebrating Cranborne Chase National Landscape's International Dark Sky Reserve.

Join us during International Dark Sky Week for stargazing, planetarium sessions, talks, storytelling and drop-in family activities.

Events are FREE but booking is essential
(There is no need to book for drop-in activities)



Scan QR code to book or visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/starfest-2024-3093829>



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