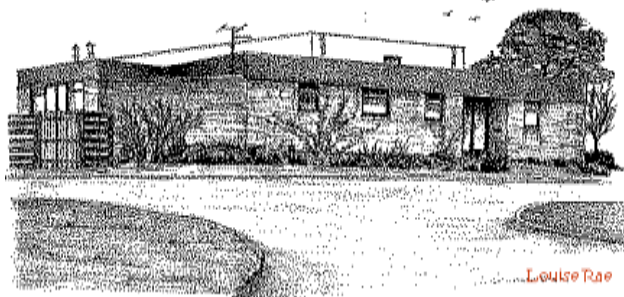


# Parrett and Axe News



## School Year 2023-24 April 2024 No 8

### Diary Dates (Please keep!!)

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> to Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	First day back in school	8:30am
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Cricket Tournament – Beaminster cricket Club	
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Corfe & Chesil Class trip to see Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra	9:20am – 11:30am
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Dorset Fire & Safety Sessions YR, Y2 & Y5	
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	GB Athlete Visit – David Hill	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	RNLI – Meet the lifeguards (whole school)	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Handball Tournament – Beaminster School	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	PTFA Quiz Night	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Class and sports team photos	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> may	Year 1 Multiskills at Beaminster School	

### Dear Parents

Well we are at the end of the spring term so I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Easter and hope you have an enjoyable break with your children. Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you all in the summer term.

Mr Smith

## **PTFA**

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April we will be holding a Quiz night at school. More information will follow soon so keep an eye on our Facebook page.

## **School Lottery:**

If you haven't signed up yet have a look at the link. You have a chance to win every week with a guaranteed winner from our lottery group plus a chance to win the national prize of £25,000 for £1 a week. Also, a percentage goes to the school for every ticket bought.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/Parrett-And-Axe-Primary>

## **Parking**

Please can we remind you to drive and park safely and considerately at drop off and pick up times. We are situated in a residential area so please do not park over residents' driveways or park on pavements as this can pose a safety risk to pupils and parents that do walk to school as well as other road users. Thank you

## **Red Nose Day**

We raised an amazing £190.71 for Comic Relief which included £100 from selling red noses and £90.71 from non-uniform day. Thank you for your generous donations.

## **Usborne Sponsored Read**

Thank you to everyone who took part in the sponsored read, we managed to raise an amazing £733 through sponsors, then with Usborne's kind donation we have a total of £1172.80 to spend on books! Congratulations go to Archie who has won the prize for most minutes read and to Jaxon who has won the prize for most money raised!

## **Corfe and Chesil class trip**

Corfe and Chesil will be attending a concert at Westlands Entertainment venue to watch the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April. Please can you make sure that you have returned your permission slip if you have not already done so.

## **Photographs**

On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May we will be having class and sports team photos taken. If your child is a member of a sports team please can they bring their PE kit to school to get changed into for the photos.

## **GB Athlete visit**

We are excited to announce we will be having GB athlete Paralympic swimmer and triathlete David Hill visit our school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. On the day children will have the opportunity to take part in a sponsored fitness circuit with David to raise funds for new sports equipment at our school. After, David will give a talk and share his experiences within his discipline.

## **RNLI - Meet the Lifeguard**

On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April we will be taking part in the RNLI's Meet the Lifeguard Programme where an experienced RNLI lifeguard will be visiting to teach the children about water safety including how to identify a beach lifeguard, identify hazards on a beach and know what to do if they get into trouble or see someone else in trouble.

## **Sport**

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 24 of our awesome athletes took part in the cross-country relays at Sir John Colfox School. The weather was absolutely awful but all our fabulous runners ran superbly. Some of our athletes were taking part for the first time. All children ran 1000m each and had to pass a cone to the next team member who then ran. The last runner had to run into the funnel and were awarded a place. Congratulations to our year 3/4 A team who came 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in their year grouping. They were awarded medals and certificates and the team consisted of Theo, Arianne, Holly & Jude. As always, our children supported each other by running alongside each other and cheering each other on. It is always heart warming to see this display of encouragement towards each other. All the children were true ambassadors of sport upholding all our school and sporting values. Thank you also, to all our wonderful parents who transport and support our school at all these events.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March our KS2 girls were going to attend a football festival at Beaminster School but unfortunately due to horrendous weather conditions and flooded pitches this was cancelled at the last moment. I have been informed by Beaminster School that they are hopeful this can take place in the Summer term. Thank you again to all our parents who were transporting.

As we look forward to the summer term, we are attending the year 5/6 cricket tournament at the Memorial Playing fields, Beaminster and on the 25<sup>th</sup> April we will be taking part in our first Handball tournament again for year 5/6. Lots more sport and events for our wonderful children to take part in.

Mrs Harris

## **Hot School Meals**

Local Food Links are our hot school meal provider. To find out about the meals they provide, please visit <https://www.localfoodlinks.org.uk/> If you haven't received an activation code letter, please ask the school office for a code which is required when you use the system for the first time. Meals can be ordered, changed or cancelled 7 days in advance.

All Corfe and Chesil Key Stage 1 children are entitled to free school meals under the Government Universal Infant Free School Meals Scheme. Meals for Key Stage 2 children are very reasonable at £2.50 each.

Please log in to your LFL account and check that meals have been ordered and that you have noted the days where you need to send a packed lunch for your child. If you have any problems ordering meals during the holidays, please contact Local Food Links they will have staff that can help you.

## **Free School Meals, Pupil Premium**

If your child qualifies for free school meals, not only will they receive a healthy meal on every school day, they'll also get

- Access to free holiday clubs
- Extra money for their school towards more teachers and activities

It's easy to find out if you qualify - complete Dorset Councils confidential checker at

[dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/free-school-meals](http://dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/free-school-meals) or telephone 01305 221090

If your child is in reception to year 2 and you receive qualifying benefits, you could get extra £££'s for your school! Apply for the Pupil Premium at [dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/pupil-premium](http://dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/pupil-premium)

### **ParentLine 5-19**

ParentLine 5-19 is a NHS text messaging service which allows parents and carers of school children aged 5-19 to gain confidential advice and support from the School Nursing team for issues such as:

- Healthy eating/weight management
- Toileting
- Sleep
- Development
- Behaviour
- Emotional health and wellbeing
- School refusal.

Parents/carers can send a text to the ParentLine number 07312263131 and a trained healthcare professional from the School Nursing team will respond during office hours 9-4 Monday to Friday during School term times.