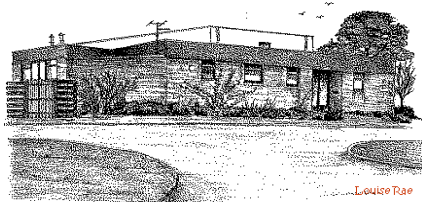


Parrett & Axe Newsletter



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents & Carers

We look forward to welcoming you back next half term which is looking to be very busy as we head towards the summer holidays. Could I bring your attention to our Summer Fair on Saturday 28th June. Please come and support this event as I know how much hard work the PTFA have put in organising it. We also have the Super Stride back this year in the form of a Colour Run on Friday 4th July to help us raise some much-needed funds for our school.

Mr Smith

PTFA

Please follow our Facebook page for all PTFA news and events

 [ParrettandaxePTFA](#)

We are holding our Summer Fair on Saturday 28th June 12-4pm. Please come along and help support us. There will be raffles, games, BBQ, ice cream, bar, petting zoo and much, much more.

Important Dates

Tuesday 17th June – Year 5
Sailing

Thursday 26th June –
Quadkids Y3/4/5/6

Friday 20th June – Non
uniform day for tombola
prizes

Friday 27th June – Sports Day

Saturday 28th June – Summer
Fair

Wednesday 21st May – Class
photos

Thursday 3rd July –

Beaminster Music Festival

Friday 4th July – Super Stride
– Colour Run



Dorset Music Service

Dorset Music Service, part of Octagon Music Hub, work hard to ensure that all children and young people in Dorset and Somerset can learn and benefit from music that matches their needs and interests.

Did you know we directly hire a wide range of instruments to young people at a low cost? You can hire instruments from just £63 per year, with funding support available to cover up to 100% of the cost for eligible pupils. We arrange collections by appointment from our Blandford office. Other collection locations can be organised at special request. Instruments are hired out on an annual basis from the month of hire.

All our instruments are in top condition as our specialist technician ensures they are well maintained. Please visit www.dorsetandsomersetmusichub.org.uk and navigate to Parents and Carers, then Instrumental Learning, then Instrument Hire for all the info you need about hiring and help with fees.

Terms apply and all loans are subject to a Loan Agreement. If you have any questions, please email dorsetmusicservice@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk

Instruments include;

Viola, Violin, Classical Guitar, Electric Guitar, Bass Guitar, Cello, Double Bass French Horn, Tenor Horn, Trombone, Trumpet, Baritone Horn, Tuba, Bass Trombone, Cornet Alto Saxophone, Clarinet, Flute, Euphonium, Oboe, Piccolo, Specialist Clarinet, Bassoon, Specialist Saxophone

Year 5 Sailing

Our Year 5 children have again been offered the wonderful opportunity to spend a whole day at Portland part funded by the Chesil Trust on Tuesday 17th June, where they will get to experience some wonderful new activities. We need to meet at the centre by 9:15am so we must leave school at 8:20am so please ensure your child does not arrive late. Please could your child come to school in their PE kit including a sweatshirt and tracksuit bottoms/leggings.

Please ensure that you have completed the indemnity form for your child as the centre will not allow your child to take part if the form has not been completed.

Summer Fair & Non Uniform

Our Summer Fair will be held on Saturday 28th June 12-4pm. Please come along and help support our PTFA and school. There will be raffles, games, BBQ, ice cream, bar, petting zoo and much, much more. There will be a non-uniform held on Friday 20th June in exchange for tombola prizes.

300km for P&A

Mr Smith has pledged to walk 300km between now and July 4th with his gorgeous Dalmatian, Ziggy. Mr Smith will be aiming to finish the last couple of KM at the Super Stride Colour Run on Friday 4th July. If you would like to sponsor him please either bring some money into school or use our JustGiving page justgiving.com

Sports Day

This year sports day will take place Friday 27th June and will be held over the whole day, with multi-skills events in the morning and fun events such as egg & spoon races, sack races and many more in the afternoon. We would like to invite parents/guardians to sit and have lunch with the children on the field (weather permitting) from 12-1pm on that day. Parents are then welcome to stay and cheer on their child in the afternoon events.

Wraparound Care – Summer Term 2

The booking form for wrap-around care in summer term 2 is now available via the link below. Breakfast club is available every weekday 7:30-8:30am and after school club is available Monday-Thursday 3-5:30pm. Each session is charged at £5
<https://forms.office.com/e/EAMY01gJQD>

Super Stride – Colour Run!

This year our Super Stride is getting colourful! We are excited to be holding a colour run for the whole school to take part in to help us raise funds for curriculum enrichment. The event will take place on Friday 4th July from 1:30pm until 3pm. A letter has gone home with more information, there is also a permission form that will need to be completed and returned before your child is able to take part in the colour run. Your child has also been provided with a sponsorship form, and we would be extremely grateful for any sponsorship raised. Every child who raises £5 will receive a certificate. If your child manages to raise £50, they will receive a medal and if they raise an amazing £100, they will receive 100 house points!

Amazon Wishlist

Welcome to Parrett & Axe's new Amazon Wishlist. Our wish list is a fantastic way for parents, friends and supporters of our school to contribute to our children's' education. Any items purchased using our Amazon wish list will be sent directly to the school.

<https://amzn.eu/bri0HiF>

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 £2.70 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

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 school trips and holiday clubs
- Extra money for their school towards more teachers and activities/trips

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

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.

Term dates

2024/25

Summer Term 2	INSET DAY: Monday 2 nd June 2025 FIRST DAY: Tuesday 3 rd June 2025 LAST DAY: Wednesday 23 rd July 2025 SUMMER HOLIDAYS: Thursday 24 th July to Tuesday 2 nd September 2025
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2025/26

Autumn Term 1	INSET Day: Wednesday 3 rd September 2025 FIRST DAY: Thursday 4 th September 2025 LAST DAY: Friday 24 th October 2025 HALF TERM: Monday 27 th October to Friday 31 st October 2025
Autumn Term 2	FIRST DAY: Monday 3 rd November 2025 LAST DAY: Friday 19 th December 2025 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS: Monday 22 nd December to Friday 2 nd January 2026
Spring Term 1	INSET DAY: Monday 5 th January and Tuesday 6 th January 2026 FIRST DAY: Wednesday 7 th January 2026 LAST DAY: Friday 13 th February 2026 HALF TERM: Monday 16 th February to Friday 20 th February 2026
Spring Term 2	FIRST DAY: Monday 23 rd February 2026 LAST DAY: Friday 27 th March 2026 EASTER HOLIDAYS: Monday 30 th March to Friday 10 th April 2026

Summer Term 1	INSET DAY: Monday 13 th April 2026 FIRST DAY: Tuesday 14 th April 2026 BANK HOLIDAY: Monday 4 th May 2026 LAST DAY: Thursday 21 st May 2026 INSET DAY: Friday 22 nd May 2026 HALF TERM: Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May 2026
Summer Term 2	FIRST DAY: Monday 1 st June 2026 LAST DAY: Wednesday 22 nd July 2026 SUMMER HOLIDAYS: Thursday 23 rd July to Tuesday 1 st September (TBC)