

Dear Parents,

It was great to see all the children move to their new classes and Year 4 enjoyed being in 'Year 5' for the day! The new reception children were all keen to get on with their day and had fun at the teddy bears picnic at the end of the day.

We are busy writing your children's **reports** and will be able to share them before the end of the term. Whilst busy, I always like this time to reflect on individual progress and success over the last year.

We have had a few reports of children with **NITS**. Please take the time over the weekend to check your child's hair and treat accordingly. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

We are aware that there are **ticks** in the grass area. Please be extra vigilant on checking for these particularly after OE sessions but it would be good learning and good practice to make this part of your child's daily bedtime routine.

The usual Dorset Libraries **Summer Reading Challenge** is running again this year. This is a wonderful FREE opportunity to encourage reading throughout the summer and to spread that love of reading. The children get rewards in school in September, with a medal if they have read 6 books in 6 weeks. Please do take this up, the children love it and they love getting their medals in September. Details are as follows:-

*Get ready for **Wild World Heroes**, arriving in your **local library** and **online** this summer.*

*We're inviting children to join the Wild World Heroes for the Summer Reading Challenge and discover how they can make a difference to the environment too. This year, the Reading Agency and libraries are teaming up with **WWF** for a very special nature-themed Challenge that will inspire children to stand up for the planet!*

This reader development promotion is designed to encourage 4–12-year-olds to read for pleasure and to help maintain literacy levels over the summer holiday period and we're delighted to be offering the traditional Challenge this year.

The Challenge will run 3 July – 11 September in Dorset Public Libraries and Community Managed Libraries

- *Children join the Challenge at their local library or community managed library by filling in a registration card and collecting a foldout poster.*
- *As the children read or listen to six books, they will be given stickers to complete their poster.*
- *On reading six books and completing the Challenge the children will qualify for a medal which will be given to them in the library. A personalised certificate will be sent to their school for presentation before the October half term break.*
- *In addition, the Summer Reading Challenge website which is live all year will be given a makeover for the Challenge and offers a great range of information, useful links, activities and games to complement the Challenge www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk*
- *All Dorset Libraries will have a prominent display of books, posters and book reviews by the children.*

Happy Reading!
Dorset Library Service

Please can I remind you that the **Drop Off Area** should not be used for parking up even for a short time. It may be worth considering encouraging more independence and perhaps waiting in the car until the children are through the gate with a member of staff.

Wessex Wild, who has visited us in school a few times already over the last few months, have been lucky enough to obtain funding through the Dorset County Show to cover the transport costs of having schools visit them onsite. Although the transport costs will be covered, parents will still need to consent for their child to go on this trip. **Robins** will be on **Monday 12th July** and **Raccoons** will be on **Wednesday 14th July**.

All Hot School meals have been cancelled for these days, therefore, **all** children will need a healthy snack, water bottle and packed lunch for this trip. More information will be sent out by the class teachers nearer the time, but **please consent via the schoolcomms (gateway app) as soon as possible**.

If you have been DBS checked and are able to help, then please let either the School Office or Class Teacher know via email as soon as possible but by the 9th July. Thank you.

Olympic athlete Isabel Haigh, a gymnast, will be joining us on **Tuesday 6th July**. She will be putting the children through their paces during the morning.

A few years ago we had Rich Parker the inline skater who put the children through their paces and was a great hit with everyone.

To set up your child's fundraising page for friends and family to sponsor them to do the fitness circuits set by Isabel on the day, please follow this link and click on 'set up a fundraising page' <https://sportal.sportsforschools.org/events/16347/promo>

Anything raised over £360, will come back to Milborne and will be put towards PE equipment, currently on the wish list are some new football goals, for the children to use during their PE sessions and break times.

Please could all forms and any cash collected be returned to the **school office by 9th July 2021**. All the children had great fun at our previous fundraising event and hopefully we can beat our total from 2 year ago.

Finally, I am aware of positive cases in other local schools affecting bubbles. We have done so well so far. Can I please ask everyone to remain cautious as we are so close now to the natural firebreak.

Hope you all have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Sharon Staddon

External information:- (Information new from last week is in Green)

- **1610:-** Please find our Summer Holiday Activities attached. The bookings open from 1st July 2021.
- **Family Information Service:-**
<https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/june-fis-newsletter-3123569?e=5ad5011868>

- **Activate Coast and Greenspace news:-**
<https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/make-2020-your-year-to-get-active-3123006?e=5ad5011868>
- **Enjoying Dorset's Countryside:-**
<https://mailchi.mp/dorsetcouncil/enjoying-dorsets-countryside-e-newsletter-june-2021?e=5ad5011868>
- **Dorset AOB news:-**
https://www.dorsetaonb.org.uk/?utm_source=Dorset%20Council&utm_campaign=08b8a60475-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_09_10_01_41_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_bc36c80975-08b8a60475-439145661
- **Dorset Magazine link:**
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- **Families Dorset Magazine link:-**
 Good News! Families Dorset's May/June issue is out now and ready for you to share with your parent community.
 This bumper-packed early Summer edition comes with a chance for readers to **win a luxury family short break with Away Resorts.**
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https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/familiesdorset_18-mayjun2021?fr=sMGI4ZTM2Mzl2NTg
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