



Spring Weekly Bulletin 01

Friday 9th January 2026

Rooted in the community to grow and flourish

The Parable of the Mustard Seed, Matthew 13: 31-32

Dear Families,

I hope this message finds you well and that you have enjoyed a wonderful Christmas break with your loved ones. It was great to welcome the children back into school on Tuesday after a busy inset day where staff attended various training sessions; with some remaining at the school site and others meeting with colleagues for training held at Oakdale and Courthill Schools. We are also excited to welcome some new members to our team: Miss Hird (supporting in Wrens), Miss Ryan (1:1 teaching assistant) and Miss Frampton (teaching assistant in Owls). Unfortunately, Mr Dale (teaching staff in Wrens, Skylarks, Owls) has had to postpone his start date so these classes will have cover arrangements in place during this interim period. It is also wonderful to be able to share that Miss Baird and her partner welcomed their little boy, Harry, just before Christmas. The family are doing well and I am sure you will join me in congratulating them on their wonderful news.



As we settle back into the school routine, I would like to take a moment to thank you for your continued support in upholding our uniform expectations. Maintaining a consistent uniform policy is important as it fosters a sense of belonging and equality among our students. Please ensure your child only wears trainers on the days he/she has PE and, on all other days, encourage your child to wear polished black shoes. Similarly, I would ask for your help in ensuring children do not wear or bring necklaces, bracelets and other additional jewellery items to school for health and safety reasons. One pair of stud earrings is allowed however these should be taken out or taped up before taking part in PE lessons. For more information about our uniform guidelines, please visit our school website.

As we embark on this new term, it is also a good time to ask for your help in making sure children come to school prepared with all the necessary items. This includes a warm coat, a filled and clearly named water bottle, book bags with reading books and a reading record, and for our Key Stage 2 students, a healthy fruit or vegetable snack for break time. Additionally, please remember to pack a lunch for your child unless they are having a cooked meal provided by the school.

We understand that transitioning back into routines after a busy and enjoyable holiday can be challenging and really do appreciate your efforts in helping your children adjust. If you feel your child may need support in establishing a healthy routine, such as getting enough sleep, waking up in the mornings, or setting up a daily reading schedule at home, please do not hesitate to speak with a member of our staff team. We are here to assist you and ensure that your child has a successful start to the term.

Finally, please do take a moment to check the upcoming dates listed in the newsletter to stay informed about important events. Thank you once again for your cooperation and support. Together, we can make this term a successful and enjoyable experience for all our pupils.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Mrs Griffiths



Best Seat in the House

The Best Seat in the House is awarded to pupils who have gone above and beyond to earn Track It Lights points throughout the week.



Attendance

Reception: 96.7%

Year 1: 94%

Year 2: 100%

Year 3: 100%

Year 4: 95.2%

Year 5: 99.32%

Year 6: 94.81%

Whole School Attendance: 98.8%

Notification of a child's absence must be reported to the school office on each day of absence.

A phone call or email must be received by the school office prior to 09:00 giving the reason for absence.

Attendance monitoring takes place regularly in school and a termly inspection is carried out by Dorset Council. If your child's absence drops below 90%, you will receive a letter expressing concern.



Diary Dates

Wednesday 14th January – 14.00 - Safer Schools Team information session for parents/carers regarding online safety

Tuesday 20th January – 15:30 – 17:00 – SEND Family Drop In

Thursday 29th January – 8:30 – 9:30– SEND Family Drop In

Monday 2nd February – 13:00 – 16:00 – SEND Parent/Carer/Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 3rd February – 8:30 – 16:30 SEND Parent/Carer/Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 10th February – Parent/Carer/Teacher Consultations – 15:20 – 17:30

Thursday 12th February – Parent/Carer/Teacher Consultations – 15:20 – 17:30

Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February – Half Term

