

Southill Primary

Headteacher's NEWS



Friday 31st March 2023



Big Walk and Wheel

The Southill approach to competitions, as with all other things, is that if something is worth doing, it's worth doing well. The manner in which our children and parents have thrown their energies into supporting the Big Walk and Wheel has been amazing. There have been so many scooterers and cyclists that we've run out of parking space. Some children have done so much walking that they've needed new shoes (ok, I am exaggerating a bit, but you get the idea). Our Y5/6 cycle ride was very popular, with 30 children riding to Sandsfoot, and yesterday's 'Wheelie Awesome' was probably the most well-attended Fitness Thursday yet.



Our participation in this competition has been a fantastic community effort and a pleasure to be part of. We have, needless to say, done very well:

We have finished first of all the Dorset schools taking part.

We have completed 1225 journeys

Our daily average score is 74.23%

Overall, we finished 101st (out of 2772 schools nationally)

A brilliant effort everyone. Well done and thank you.

Of course, the competitive element is very important to us all, but we mustn't forget that the purpose of the Big Walk and Wheel is to inspire children to make active journeys to school, encouraging healthy lifestyles and improving both air quality and traffic congestion. I think we've done that!

Fancy some more active travel action?

On the next page, I have attached a 'Active Travel Bingo' sheet for the holidays. On it there are 9 different cycling, scooting or walking activities to try out. We've got badges for all those completing the Bronze, Silver or Gold levels - so why not have a go? Please bring all completed sheets back to me after the holiday and badges will be duly awarded.



Parents' Evenings

It's been a long week for staff, with three evenings of parents appointments, but also a very positive and rewarding one. There have been lots of fabulous things to discuss about your children and we are grateful to everyone who attended. Together with the report, we trust you now have a detailed picture of your child's progress and are clear on the best ways to support them at home.



Brownies - can you help?

The Brownies group that meets in the Community Centre in Southill currently has three leaders. Two are leaving shortly, so the group is in danger of closing.

Are you interested in helping out? Volunteers are desperately needed. If you can help, please contact Emma Randall on brownies2ndsouthill@hotmail.com



That's it from us

It's been another busy and very successful term. Thank you to all our parents for your continuing support. I hope you all have a lovely Easter holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 17th April at 8.45am.










Name:

Active Travel Bingo!

How many active travel challenges can you complete?

- **Bronze level** – at least 3 challenges completed
- **Silver level** – at least 6 challenges completed
- **Gold level** - ALL 9 challenges completed

You will be rewarded with a **bronze**, **silver** or **gold** active travel prize donated by Sustrans, the active travel charity ☺

<p>Cycle, scoot, wheel or walk to a friend's house instead of drive.</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>	<p>Cycle, scoot, wheel or walk to the local shop and buy yourself a healthy snack to fuel your ride!</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>	<p>Have a tree picnic during a walk- find a nice tree to sit on or under to enjoy your yummy lunch!</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>
<p>Spot three signs of spring during a walk or wheel. Draw them below.</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>	<p>Find three types of plant during a walk, ride, scoot or wheel and draw which ones you find.</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>	<p>Get your parents or guardians to go out on a ride/walk/wheel or scoot with you.</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>
<p>Spot as many types of wildlife as you can during a walk/ride or wheel. Draw what you see below.</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>	<p>Clean your bike or scooter or someone else's- this is important to make sure it works smoothly!</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>	<p>Go on a 'welly walk/wheel' and jump in every puddle you see (Please wear lots of waterproof layers!)</p>  <p>Completed? Yes/No</p>

How many challenges did you complete?

Well done for taking part!

Active travel (travelling by using our bodies, such as cycling, walking or scooting) is so important for our physical and mental well-being and the environment too. It creates less air pollution, keeps our bodies moving and gets us out in the fresh air. Here at Sustrans we want active travel to be accessible, easier and safer for everyone to enjoy!

Other news and information for parents and carers

Stemming the waste tide

Get creative at this interactive 3d art workshop with visual artist Peter Margerum.



Chickerell Community Library

Wednesday 5 April
10:00am - 3:30pm

Several time slots available throughout the day.



Booking via Eventbrite is essential

For more information Email: dslibrarians@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk

Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

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FREE Children's Easter Holiday Events at Weymouth Library and Learning Centre 2023



Rainbow SEN Storytime and Craft

Saturday 1 April | 11:00am - 12:00 noon
Join us in celebrating Autism Acceptance Week's Colour theme with sensory play, storytime, and rainbow themed paper crafts. [Bookable on eventbrite.co.uk](https://bookable.on.eventbrite.co.uk)



Make a Superhero Pet - Creative Clay Workshop

Thursday 6th April | 11:00am - 12:30pm
A fun workshop with Creative Clay to design and create your own clay Superhero pet. For children aged 9 - 14years. This workshop is part of The Chesil Reading Project. [Bookable on eventbrite.co.uk](https://bookable.on.eventbrite.co.uk)



Georgia & The Iceberg by Dorsetborn Theatre

Tuesday 11 April | 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Join us for a brilliant adventure with Dorsetborn Theatre. Filled with puppetry, jokes, and a heart-warming original story. For Ages 7+ years. Supported by National Youth Theatre and Lighthouse, Poole's Centre for the Arts. [Bookable on eventbrite.co.uk](https://bookable.on.eventbrite.co.uk)



Animal Art Junk Modelling

Thursday 13th April | 11:00am - 12:00 noon
Create a new animal friend this Easter from recyclable craft materials in our special Easter Holiday junk modelling arts and crafts session! For ages 4+. [Bookable on eventbrite.co.uk](https://bookable.on.eventbrite.co.uk)



Easter Fairy-tale Storytime

Saturday 15 April | 10am - 11am and 11:30am - 12:30pm
A fairy-tale story time with games and fun costumed characters from the Wain Upon a Stone Company. [Bookable on eventbrite.co.uk](https://bookable.on.eventbrite.co.uk)



Earth Day Craft and Story

Saturday 22 April | 11:00am - 12:00 noon
Celebrate Earth Day 2023 with a nature themed story time and arts and crafts using recyclable materials. For ages 4+. [Bookable on eventbrite.co.uk](https://bookable.on.eventbrite.co.uk)

To book these events:

Go to - www.eventbrite.co.uk and search 'Dorset Libraries'

Email - weymouthlibrary@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk

Call - 01305 762410



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STEVE TREBLE SCHOOL SPORTS

Easter Sports Camp

April 4th, 5th & 6th
April 11th, 12th & 13th

8:30am - 3:30pm

The Prince Of Wales First School Year 1 - Year 6

[Book Now](#)

Computer Xplorers

Easter Holiday Tech Camp

age 5-16

11th - 14th April 2023

Location:
The Purbeck School
Worgret Rd, Wareham
BH20 4PF

Session Price
£45 per day (9am - 3pm)
Early Drop Off and Late Pick Up Available 8am - 4pm
10% OFF for Block Bookings and Siblings

THE ACTIVITIES

- Coding
- Robotics
- Game Design
- Video Animation
- 3D Design
- Minecraft

+ Unplugged Outdoor Activities

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WEYMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

TUMBLEDOWN'S 'SIGNS OF SPRING' FREE EVENT

THURSDAY 13TH APRIL

10AM TO 2PM

- Spring activities + prizes!
- Seed planting
- Bug hotel building

Want to know more or get involved at Tumbledown?
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Please walk or cycle to this event

Tumbledown, Radpole Lane, Southill, Weymouth