

End of term

My last newsletter contained news of my retirement at the end of the school year in July. Thank you to everyone who has passed on their good wishes.

Some of you may know I have family in New Zealand and, now with the recent arrival of a baby, my wife and I are going to visit over Christmas. This means I won't be in school for the last week of term - something that I know I am going to miss. It's always a really enjoyable week in school with nativities, meals, jumpers and general festive fun so I know everyone will be having a great time. I will be watching from afar (isn't our school website great!) and will be back in time for the start of the new school term.

This is therefore my last newsletter of the year. Happy Christmas everyone!

Reception and KS1 Nativity

I was relieved to be able to watch the dress rehearsal of the Twinkly Nativity this week - I didn't want to miss the show! It is absolutely fantastic and I know parents will love it. Good luck to everyone for their performances next week.

Bike Bus

The Bike Bus continues to go from strength to strength and is proving an enjoyable addition to the school week. I wanted to remind you that the Bike Bus aims to travel every Friday, (mostly) regardless of the weather, leaving at 8.20 from the cycle path by Chafey's Roundabout. The Bus itself is run by Jon Gammidge and he maintains a WhatsApp group to notify parents every week about the running of the Bus. I'd like to thank Jon for all his hard work 'driving' the Bus and the parents who regularly ride along. We would encourage as many of you as possible to join the WhatsApp group (leave your details at the office) and jump on the Bus every Friday. The more the merrier!

Parking at school

A constant problem outside school is parking, especially at the end of the day. I am in regular receipt of complaints from residents about poor parking (I've had yet another letter today!) and I do have sympathy with those who have drives blocked or don't like the grass verges being used by cars. The residents also make the point that it is unnecessary to park on pavements and that this can damage the surface for pedestrians (it's also illegal).

Please, to help us keep the peace with our neighbours, could you avoid:

- · parking across driveways and on pavements
- · parking on our yellow school markings

• parking on any grass

Thank you.

A message from Mrs Trimmer, our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator

Please find attached some resources for your school and your families to support autistic children and young people at Christmas time.

There are also LOTS of links here to useful resources from the National Autistic Society. <u>Preparing for Christmas: autism resources</u>

End of term reminders

KS1 Nativity performance	Monday 11th December at 2.00pm FOSS refreshments from 1.30pm	
KS1 Nativity performance	Tuesday 12th December at 9am FOSS refreshments from 10am	
Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day	Wednesday 13th December	
Mental Health Support Team coffee morning	Thursday 14th December from 8.45-10am Come along and chat to the team - all welcome	
Last day of term - and non-uniform day	Friday 15th December	
First day of Spring Term 2024	Tuesday 2nd January at 8.45am	

That's it for 2023! Best wishes for a happy holiday everyone.

Paul Mason

Other messages for our parents and carers





call 01305 762400 Tuesday		
	Thursday	
The Mulberry Children's Centre	9am – 11am	4 th January 1 st February 7 th March
	1pm - 3pm	18 th January 15 th February 21 st March

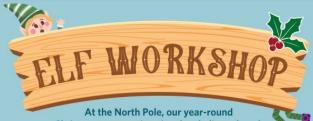
To book please contact Chesil Locality Team:

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At the North Pole, our year-round Christmas preparations involve dedicated work and occasional challenges. This year, we're running behind schedule, so become a trainee elf and help us! Discover elf secrets, crafting, and more, and earn an official North Pole Certificate from our Chief Elf upon completing the workshop.

Sunday 3 December 2023 Sunday 10 December 2023 Sunday 17 December 2023 Thursday 21 December 2023 Friday 22 December 2023 Saturday 23 December 2023

Timed Sessions: 11:30am - 12:30pm | 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Tickets available at the Museum shop or online Children £12 (*suitable for children aged* 4 - 10) | Adults £3 Includes a tea /coffee and a mince pie!

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Dorset Museum & Art Gallery

Christmas Holiday Sports Camp

We are pleased to announce that we are going to be running a Christmas holidays sports camp. A perfect opportunity for your child to participate in a range of sports and multi skills. The camp will be run inside at The Wey Valley Tennis Centre at Wey Valley School and involve a mix of tennis, multi skills and some other sports. There will be coaching, individual and team skills and lots of games!

Date - Wednesday 20th December The camp will run from 9-12pm and the cost is £15 for the session. The camp is aimed for children from aged 4 up to 14. If you would like to book your son or daughter in, please email or send me a text which includes: Child's name Age Contact number Any medical conditions we need to be aware of and if we have photo consent.

Payments can be made via bacs or cash. metennis@outlook.com 07540625887









