



VERWOOD C E FIRST SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER

Spring Term

Friday 27th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

We come to the end of the Spring term and it feels like we have packed a huge amount into the term. There have been many school trips, visitors in school, performances with Ash and Willow assemblies and with Emmanuel Middle school and celebrating the fantastic learning that happens every day at parent consultation meetings and our celebration of learning event. Thank you for supporting the work of the school and teachers every day.

Yesterday, Mr Christopher, Executive Headteacher in September, hosted a Q&A session with parents about the future leadership of the campus. Mr Christopher shared a real sense of excitement, passion and commitment to continuing the improvement of the school and we will share with you next term a summary of the questions and responses.

There has been a lovely sense of celebration today across all bases. Ash, Willow and Beech lead a wonderful Easter service at St Michael's and All Angels church. The children shared the Easter story and gave us heartfelt messages of hope. The children filled the church with fantastic singing and a real sense of joy.

Sycamore, Oak and Nursery Bases ended the day with a fabulous Easter parade and again bringing a huge amount of joy and celebration to the end of term.

Thank you to Friends of Verwood, who have provided a fun Easter colouring competition, an Easter trail and some Easter treats for all children to take home. The competition entries were fabulous and it was tough to choose winners. Please see below for the winning entries for each class.

Thank you to all family members who were able to support us today by walking to the church and joining the service or watching the Easter parade. The children have loved the events of the day and there is a lot of excitement for the holidays ahead!

Wishing you all a wonderful break over Easter and we look forward to children returning to school on Monday 15th April.

Kind regards

Katharine Anstey
Executive Headteacher



Reading Raffle

Congratulations to our Reading Raffle Winners which were drawn in Worship:

Holly J - Beech Base

Lily W - Oak Base

Fantastic Reading, Fantastic Learning, Well Done to all Children.

Where kids can eat for free or £1 in Easter half term

KIDS EAT FREE

EASTER HOLIDAYS 2024 (OR FOR £1)

MORRISONS

Kids eat for free in Morrisons Cafes every day from 3pm when you spend over £4.50 on a adult's meal.

YO! SUSHI

Kids under 10 get a free bento box deal, plus a drink when an adult spends at least £10. Offer runs 25 March - 12 April 2024.

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRE

Every day from noon, kids can eat from the Dobbies lunch or pick 'n' mix menu for free when an adult gets a main meal.

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANT

Kids under 8 can eat for free at Gordon Ramsey Restaurants when an adults eats from the à la carte menu.

BILL'S

Up to two children can eat for free at Bill's from 25 March - 12 April (exc Sat/Sun) when an adult orders a main dish.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 with no minimum spend. Plus, they get a free piece of fruit such as and apple, pear or banana.

PAUSA CAFÉ at DUNELM

Spend £4 and get one free choice from the Kids Menu in Pausa Cafés on Monday to Friday after 3pm.

THE REAL GREEK

Children under 12 years can have a free meal (29 Mar-14 Apr), plus a drink and ice cream, when an adult spends over £10.

BEEFEATER

Get two free kids' breakfasts for those under 16s at Beefeater when you buy an unlimited adult breakfast.

TESCO

Kids eat for free, with a 60p minimum spend Monday to Friday in Tesco Cafes. Clubcard needed.

PRETO

Kids aged under 10 eat free from mid-day at Preto. Download a voucher from their site before you go.

TGI Fridays

Kids eat a free all day, every day, when an adult buys a main meal and presents their Stripes loyalty card.

SKINT DAD

Information correct at time of creation. See skintdaad.co.uk/kids-eat-free for more details or the individual company website for timings and any conditions.

Dates for your Diary

Please see our website for calendar dates by clicking [here](#), a reminder that you can subscribe to this on your device, dates are then added to your own calendar, which will automatically update when new dates are added. Please click on the subscribe button and follow the instructions. Dates are listed below for your convenience.

MARCH

Thurs 28th March - INSET
Easter holidays 29th Mar-12th April
Mon 15th April- Children return to school

Class Assemblies (not looking at books on these dates - just the assembly event):

Reception: Thurs 18th (Miss Matthew) and Fri 19th July (Miss Spencer)
Year 1: Thurs 11th (Mr Dear) and Fri 12th July (Miss Brown)
Year 2 : Weds 26th June (Mrs Doe) and Thurs 27th June (Mrs Palmer/ Brason)

MAY

Fri 3rd May, morning - Class Photos
Tues 7th/Weds 8th May - Year 4 Residential to Osmington Bay (one night)
Thurs 16th May - Oak Base trip to Blashford Lakes
Weds 22nd May, 9-12pm - Potted Sports Day
Fri 24th May, 2.30-3pm - Celebration of children's learning - parents invited into classrooms
May half term -Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

JUNE

Monday 10th June - Mrs Palmer/Mrs Brason (Beech, Year 2) Class Trip to East Dorset Museum
Tuesday 11th June - Mrs Doe Class (Beech, Year 2) Class Trip to East Dorset Museum
Weds 12th June, pm - KS2 sports Day
Fri 21st June - INSET (no children in school on this day)
Fri 28th June - Transfer Day

JULY

Fri 5th July - Year 4 leavers' visit to Wimborne Minster
Summer Sizzler - 5th July - 5.00pm to 7.30pm
Tues 23rd July, 9.30am - Last Day of Term & Year 4 Leavers



BRIGHT SPARKS
CREATIVE LEARNING

'We're Going On An Egg Hunt!'

Sensory story, messy play, arts and crafts!

Saturday 6th April

Helix, BH31 7DP , VERWOOD

9.30-10.25 For Ages 1-4

10.45-11.40 For Ages 4-7

Find one of our
'eggs' & receive
a discount
code!

£8.00 per child
£5.00 sibling



Bright Sparks Creative Learning

We're Going on an Egg Hunt Story Time followed by Arts, Crafts and Messy Play! Ages 1-7. Saturday 6th April, Helix , Verwood.

Join us for two delightful sessions tailored for your children between the ages of 1-7! Led by experienced teachers, we'll embark on an enchanting journey through an interactive story, followed by engaging activities such as messy play, construction, arts and crafts. The children will take home creative crafts and an Easter ornament.

It promises to be an egg-citing adventure filled with laughter and joy that your kids won't want to miss! Be sure to mark your calendars and get ready for a morning of fun!

9.30-10.25 ages 1-4

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/were-going-on-an-egg-hunt-sensory-story-arts-and-crafts-ages-1-4-tickets-856878084417>

10.45-11.40 ages 4-7

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/were-going-on-an-egg-hunt-sensory-story-arts-and-crafts-ages-4-7-tickets-857436715297>

WILD CATS

📣 Calling all Future Football Stars! ✨

Is your daughter passionate about football? 🏃 ♀️ ⚽ We're thrilled to announce that Verwood Town FC local girls' football team is hosting FA Weetabix Wildcats sessions.

🌈 Designed for girls aged 5-11, these sessions are the perfect way to ignite their love for the game in a supportive and inclusive environment.

📅 **When:** Every Thursday 5-6pm

📍 **Where:** Potterne Park

👧 Open to all skill levels – whether she's a seasoned pro or just starting out, she'll have a blast and make new friends!

👟 Led by experienced coaches who are passionate about empowering girls through football.

Don't let your daughter miss out on this fantastic opportunity to kick, dribble, and score her way to fun and friends.

Let's show the world the power of girls in sports! ⚽ 💪



Minster Activities

Good Friday - Easter Bun Walk

Meet us at Wimborne Minster Church at 3pm for a leisurely walk to St Stephens Pamphill arriving at approximately 4pm.

Good Friday - Family activities and 'mini reflection' at St Stephens Pamphill

Join us for Easter Crafts and activities, a short reflection suitable for all, and lots of tea and cake

Easter Sunday 11-15-12 - Easter Eggtravaganza at Wimborne Minster Church - Easter Egg hunt, crafts, music, 'whose egg quiz' and refreshments.

(We will have vegan Easter eggs and non edible prizes available)

Monday 1st and 8th April 10-30-12

Movies at the Minster

Join us upstairs in Church House for Easter movies, crafts, Lego , toys and snacks

Tuesday 2nd and 9th April 10-30-12

Fun in Wimborne Minsters Forest Garden

Mud kitchens, den building, Easter Crafts and games, ball track, stories and snacks - Wellies recommended

MINSTER *Praise* EASTER Eggs-travaganza!

Sunday 31 March 11.15am - 12.00

Easter Egg hunt

Crafts

Music

Refreshments

and an 'Egg Quiz'!

