



VERWOOD C E FIRST SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER

Summer Term

Friday 14th June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

This week it has been an absolute pleasure to witness so much joy, laughter and fun from the children. Ash Base had a special evening together on Wednesday sharing the photos, memories and songs of the PGL residential trip. As Mrs Weir said to those able to attend, Ash Base was a privilege and delight to take away on a residential trip and there was so much fun and laughter as we relived some of these moments of being on the giant swing, high up the climbing wall, problem solving and tackling the sensory trail. And we mustn't forget the food...that was amazing!

On Wednesday we had a really fun afternoon with the KS2 sports event. Thank you to family members who were able to come along and cheer and clap as the children ran a range of races. We saw some fantastic sporting achievements but most of all we had a lot of fun with the children demonstrating our values showing encouragement, friendship, good will and joy.

Beech Base had a great trip to Wimborne this week to the East Dorset Museum. They took part in a number of activities to help them learn about Victorian seaside. These included listening to a story about a donkey and making a mask to take home. Learning about how the Victorians did the laundry, there was some great scrubbing of the clothes! They learned about games and activities Victorians might have done at the beach including watching a Punch and Judy show. The most popular activity was making and drinking lemonade!

Next week there is an Inset day on Friday so the school and Nursery will be closed. If you have been working on an entry for our new school vision on 'Light and Hope', the closing date is Thursday 20th June, so spend some time this weekend thinking of what you could enter. Thank you to all those who have already sent in something. I have loved having a look at the photos, pictures, sculptures and more that have arrived.

I am hopeful that next week we will be able to run our Potted Sports event on Wednesday morning. Fingers crossed for dry weather this time round.

Have a lovely weekend,

Katharine Anstey
Executive Headteacher

Children Celebrated in Praise Worship

	Nursery	Oak Base	Sycamore Base	Beech Base	Willow Base	Ash Base
Headteacher's Award	Charlie D	Enzo A Valeria K	Olivia S Harper H	Xavier W Daisy H	Logan B Toby B	Ava F Kane M
Fruit of the spirit Award	Archie F Isabella BM	Amber D Abi HJ	Harry H Isabella W	Jacob D Jack G	Mathew D Rian C	Lewis k Max FL

Attendance

Thank you for your support in ensuring your child's attendance in school and being on time every day . Good attendance in school is a top priority and our expectation is that pupils attend school every day for every session.

This week's attendance

Oak Base	94.24%
Sycamore Base	95.01%
Beech Base	94.42%
Willow Base	95.41%
Ash Base	94.42%

Friends of Verwood First Update

☀️☀️☀️ Summer Sizzler 5th July 5-7.30pm ☀️☀️☀️

Donation Day June 20th - children to wear their own clothes to school in exchange for:

Nursery/Oak/Sycamore to please bring bagged/wrapped sweets and a large chocolate bar (**NO NUTS**).

Beech/Willow/Ash to please bring a bottle to be handed directly to the teacher on the door. This stocks up our sweet and bottle tombola and the Penny toss game.

Jolly Jar Hoopla - please fill a washed out jar with any little nicknacks, small plastic toys, bagged/wrapped sweets, bouncy balls, hairbands, clips, stickers etc and hand it in to the school office by donation day. A good way to re-home those party bag fillers!

Soft toy Lucky Dip - please donate any unloved soft toys to us via the school office ready for this very popular stall (we cannot guarantee that they won't be won and come back home again though!)

Volunteers - thank you to those who have already signed up - we would really appreciate if anyone else could step forwards and give us a hand as we are still low on volunteers, if you could give us a hand for 30 mins to run a stall or help with setting up/packing away - please sign up here

<https://volunteersignup.org/YDBD4> or email us friends_of_vfs@hotmail.com

☀️☀️☀️ Sizzler Raffle Tickets ☀️☀️☀️

Everyone should have brought home raffle ticket books in their bags this week. We are unable to run the washing line this time due to limited volunteers so we are hoping you'll spend the pennies on the raffle instead. We have some fantastic prizes on offer so please support us to fundraise as much as possible. The Raffle will be drawn at 7pm at the Sizzler.

1. ★★ Top prize of £300 ★★
2. DoodleLearning 1 year Subscription for maths and English
3. VerwoodToday Nest Hub
4. Red Funnel Isle of Wight Ferry crossing to the IOW
5. Swanage Railway Family Ticket
6. Conker Spirit Distillery Tour for 2
7. Hall and Woodhouse Business Partnerships £50 voucher
8. Abbotsbury Swannery Family Ticket
9. RockReef UK Dual Rider Zip Ticket
10. Museum of East Dorset Entry 2A/2C
11. Bournemouth Aviation Museum Family Ticket
12. Flip Out Poole 2 entry vouchers
13. Thai Kitchen Takeaway & Restaurant £20 voucher
14. Stewarts Garden Centres £20 voucher
15. The Hub (Verwood) Family Cinema Voucher
16. Cranborne Garden Centre Cream Tea for 2
17. Ferndown Leisure Centre Family swim pass 1 month

Thank you to all the lovely local businesses that have supported us by donating a prize.

Please fill out the ticket stub and return that with money to the school office or bring to the sizzler and hand in to the raffle stall before 6.45pm.

★★★ A HUGE thank you and shout out to our ★★ amazing sponsors, without these local companies helping to sponsor the Sizzler, we wouldn't be able to put on such a great event for you all and fundraise as much money as possible for the school ★★★



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.

JUNE

Weds 19th June - Potted Sports - 9am to 12.30pm

Thursday 20th June - Mufti day all children - Donation Day for Summer Sizzler

Fri 21st June - INSET (no children in school on this day)

Tues 25th June - Year 2 walk to Dewlands Common

Weds 26th June Year 2 Class Assembly (Mrs Doe)

Thurs 27th June Year 2 Class Assembly (Mrs Palmer/Brason)

Fri 28th June - Transfer Day

JULY

Fri 5th July - Year 4 leavers' visit to Wimborne Minster

Summer Sizzler - 5.00pm to 7.30pm

Weds 10th July - Back-up date for Potted Sports - 9am to 12.30pm

Thurs 11th July - Year 1 Class Assembly (Mr Dear)

Fri 12th July - Year 1 Class Assembly (Miss Brown)

Thurs 18th July - Reception Class Assembly (Miss Matthew)

Fri 19th July - Reception Class Assembly (Miss Spencer)

Monday 22nd July - Year 4 leavers disco

Tues 23rd July, 9.30am - Last Day of Term & Year 4 Leavers