



# Primary News

24th January 2019

## Dates for your diary

Thursday 24 January	<b>Year 3 and 4 Handball Event at The Purbeck School</b>
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>PTFA Meeting 2pm</b>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	<b>Book Swap More details to follow</b>
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Bumblebee Class residential visit to Leeson House</b>
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Break up at 3pm for half term</b>
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Children return to school</b>
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>World Book Day</b>

## Good News!

Our plans to create a tranquil and reflective Spiritual Garden alongside our hall received a generous grant from The Cherries

(AFC Bournemouth) and we are aiming to re-clear and prepare the area as Spring approaches.

## Christian Value

Our focus for this half-term is Perseverance and it is our chance to celebrate how much dedication and effort our children and my staff give to their work and friendships.

When everyone works to share this value, it is a key factor in what makes our school a vibrant and caring place to be.

## Enriching our Curriculum

This term, we are offering the following lunchtime and after-school clubs:

French, Multi Sports, Badminton, Drums, Drama, Wheelie (Scooters), Football, Board Games and Slack-lining.

See our website for more details...

## Brrrr... Cold weather updates

With Jack Frost painting amazing patterns on our windscreens, the weather is becoming very cold. Please ensure you child has a warm coat and hat to wear as it's best for them to be out in the fresh air at morning breaktime and lunch time.

If we do need to close the school, we will let you know as early as possible through email, text and on our website. If it is a snow closure, announcements will be made on local radio stations and on the Dorsetforyou website.

## Nothe Fort

We wished them luck as we waved them goodbye...

Dragonfly class had a trip back in time as they were evacuated to Nothe fort on a very frosty Wednesday morning. The children really enjoyed their many experiences from the schoolroom to the shop to the learning about Weymouth at war. Being in the air-raid was so realistic that I have been told, more than once, "It was very scary!"



## Toast Club

If you're running late and you haven't got time to make breakfast, please remember that we run toast club every morning and there's a choice of butter, jam or Marmite.

It's just 10p a slice.

Research shows that a child that misses breakfast is a child that struggles to concentrate and won't thrive in their lessons.

## A Message from our Parish Council

Corfe Castle Parish Council is calling on residents passionate about their community to stand in the local elections in 2019.

Councillors are the champions of their community and give residents a voice on the decisions the council makes. Becoming a Councillor will allow you to make a real difference in your community by engaging with residents, local groups and businesses to find out their needs; making decisions on which services and projects the council should take forward; and getting involved locally to ensure the services are meeting your community's needs.

The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) found that Councillors put aside, on average, three hours a week for council work. This often includes attending meetings, engaging with residents and speaking on behalf of the council to other bodies.

There are only a few rules to stand for election. You must be:

- A British citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth, or the European Union
- 18 years of age or older
- Live in an area that is served by a local council

For further information please contact Ali, the Clerk, on 01929 426125 [corfecastlepc@aol.com](mailto:corfecastlepc@aol.com)

## Attendance

Attendance for last term was 93.6% - our target is 97%.

Please make sure that your child is in school **on time**, arriving at school after the register has been taken will mean your child's attendance is affected.

If you are having difficulties in getting your children to school, please let us know as we are happy to support all of our families.