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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,



The year 6s kayaking last Friday evening. Thanks to Mr Jones for organising. It was a lovely evening.

Welly Walk



Phew it was hot! But well worth it. Over the weir for a swift visit to Holy Trinity in Stourpaine. The young ones then went to the park whilst the older children enjoyed the views from Hod Hill. Great day.





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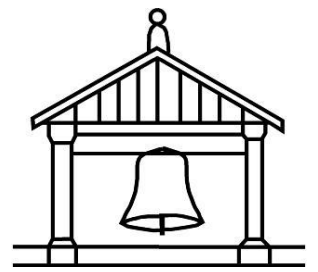
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Look what we made!

Lots of proud children took their models home this week. I hope some of them made the journey intact!





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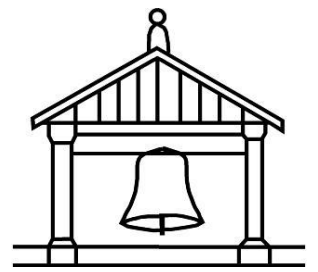
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It's behind you!



The butterflies 'hatched' over the weekend and, after enjoying them in school for a few days, we released them on Thursday morning. It's always a special moment.

Water war!



As a final treat, the year PTA bought us a class set of water pistols. The year 6s got to try them out on Thursday morning – the rest of the school will get to play in September. If you would like to hire them, you only have to ask....





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Attendance

We made it!!!

Class	Attendance this week (should be 96% +)	Whole school this week	Whole school this year (we need 96%+)
Starfish	87.50%	95.16%	96.01% ☺
Dolphins	97.84% ☺		
Seahorses	95.54%		
Sharks	100% ☺☺		
Porpoises	90.95%		

And so that's it for another year. Thank you for all the gifts, cards and kind words – they are very much appreciated; thanks to those of you who have completed parent surveys, child surveys or responded to reports – if you haven't, I'm happy to accept these in September; and finally thank you for your children. They've been fabulous.



Have a super holiday. To those who are coming back, we look forward to seeing you on the 4th September; to those of you who are moving on to pastures new, you take with you our very best wishes.

Nicola Brooke





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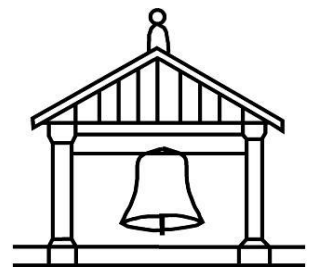
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Dates for Your Diary

Monday 2nd September

Tuesday 3rd September

Wednesday 4th September

Friday 13th September, 7pm

Friday 20th September

Monday 28th Oct – Friday 1st Nov

Monday 4th November

Friday 20th December

Monday 23rd Dec – Fri 3rd Jan

Monday 6th January

STAFF TRAINING DAY

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CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

PTA Bingo night

STAFF TRAINING DAY

HALF TERM

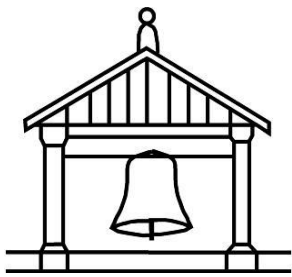
CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

END OF TERM

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL





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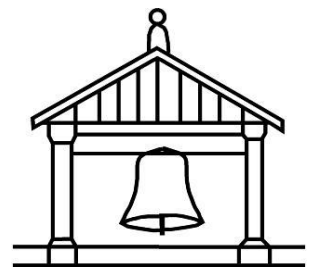
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Uniform

Please make sure all items of uniform are named; in fact, anything brought into school ideally should be named! You may need to check occasionally that names are still legible. We no longer have a lost property bin. Any lost items of clothing will be hung on the washing line in the school entrance. If items are not claimed they will go in the Rag bin.

Uniform with our school motif can be purchased at 'Ragtags' in Blandford. Second hand items are always available in the school reception area priced at £1 per item, with proceeds going back to the school.

Modified items are not mandatory and so you are free to source clothing elsewhere as long as it follows the guidelines set out below.

Our children wear white or pale blue shirts, blouses or polo shirts.

Both boys and girls can wear grey or black trousers or shorts; girls may also wear grey or black skirts or blue gingham summer dresses.

Our cardigans and jumpers are royal blue.

Grey or black school shoes with a bar, laces or Velcro. White, grey, black socks or tights please.

A hooded, long-sleeved waterproof coat that needs to be in school every day – we send the children out to play if it is drizzling!

A plain sun hat or cap for the summer.

We like our children to look smart and well presented, so we do ask that they don't wear big or fussy hair accessories. Long hair should be tied back so as not to get in the way when the children are working.

Stud earrings only please and one watch if necessary. This must be removed for PE and will remain the responsibility of the child. No other jewellery please apart from medical identity necklaces or bracelets.

PE

Drawstring PE bag please, not a ruck sack.

Ragtags stock our new blue PE t-shirt. These are required for all new children joining us in September. For current pupils please can we ask that when you come to change your child's PE t-shirt you buy a new branded one from Ragtags.





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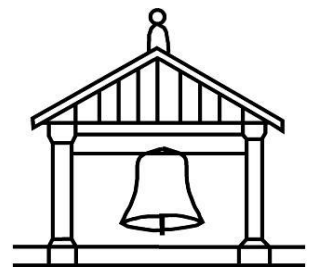
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Ragtags also stock an optional Durweston hoodie that children can wear for PE.

Plain black shorts, leggings, skort; optional tracksuit bottoms for cold weather. Please avoid clothing with flashes of other colours.

Trainers.

Spare, named socks.

Long hair must be tied back for PE.

Swimming kit – suitable swimming costume/trunks but not long or baggy shorts, swimming hat, goggles (if they like to use them) and a towel.

Sundries

A refillable, leak-proof, **named** water bottle. Bottles are available to purchase from the school office for only £2.

Starfish Dolphins – Durweston Bookbag

Seahorses, Sharks, Porpoises – Rucksack

The rucksack should have at least two pockets: one big enough to house their reading record/reading journal and reading book and one for other stuff such as lunch box; and a hook on the top to enable it to be hung on a peg. School will provide a plastic envelope for the storage of letters.

And just repeating this as it is more important that you would imagine, please make sure all items brought into school are named so that they can always find their way back to your child.

