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Dear Parents,



Just a quick one. No newsletter on Friday as I was at Hooke Court with the year 4s. A great time was had by all. More photos here. Seahorses also had a fabulous day at the farm. More great photos here.







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Art...



It's Arts Week this week. All classes are looking at George Bellows's the Men of the Docks, which is the painting chosen by the National Gallery this year for their Take One Picture initiative. Anna Bogue from Knighton House (and a one-time parent at Durweston) is working with all the classes and no doubt producing lovely things.

Music...

Wednesday is our Celebration of Music evening. This is usually a really lovely event, worth coming along to even if your child isn't performing. Starts at 6pm and usually lasts about an hour.

More music...

On Thursday and Friday, international opera company, Dorset Opera are coming to work with the children **and hopefully with you too!** On Thursday, Porpoises, Sharks and Seahorses will have workshops throughout the day and will then perform in the village hall on Friday morning from 10am to 12am. Then, in the afternoon, **grown-up would-be performers and** singers are invited to join in **a fun, interactive singing workshop from 1-3pm in the village hall**. No experience is necessary, just enthusiasm and willingness to have a go.

If you would be interested in reserving a place for this FREE event please email; heath walton@hotmail.com or call 07771 635546 for more information.

Next week...

...is DT week. There's going to be lots of making going on! We need as many cardboard boxes and cardboard tubes as you can throw at us.





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The Bridge

We've had a letter from Dorset Council:

If you feel that the work is likely to cause any problems, which could be prevented or helped through special arrangements, please contact me using the details provided. Alternatively a message can be left with Dorset Direct on 01305 221000 who will arrange for the person to contact you.

I'm glad I'm not the person answering that phone....

Walking Buses

Looking ahead to when the bridge does close, would it be possible to organise a rota of parents who are prepared to run a walking bus to and from Stourpaine? Belinda has said that we can gather in the church. The 'bus' would need to leave at 8.30am. We might also be able to organise a return trip, leaving school at 3.45. I can't promise staff help, as they need to be in school earlier to prepare for when the children arrive. I will come when I can, but again I can't promise every day. Moreover, school can't take responsibility for the children. However, if we can organise something, I am very happy to facilitate! We could do the same from Bryanston gate. So...

Please can you let the office know if you would be able to help with a walking bus from Stourpaine to Durweston or from Bryanston to Durweston in the mornings or the evenings or both.

Please can you let the office know if you would like your child/children to be part of the walking bus in the mornings or in the evenings but can't walk yourself.

Once we have got some idea of names and numbers, we can see if we can put together a plan...

(We still don't know what School Transport are planning for the actual bus).

Attendance

Class	Attendance this week (should be 96% +)	Whole school this week	Whole school this year (we need 96%+)
Starfish	90%		
Dolphins	97.59% ☺]	
Seahorses	96.90% ☺	95.85%	95.93%
Sharks	98.62% ☺]	
Porpoises	93.10%		

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Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday 12th June, 6pm

Thursday 13th June

Saturday 15th June, 3pm Wednesday 19th June, 1pm

Thursday 20th June Friday 21st June Saturday 22nd June

Monday 24th June, 8.30am

Wednesday 3rd July Thursday 4th July Monday 8th July Monday 8th July Wednesday 10th July Wednesday 10th July

Thursday 11th & Friday 12th July

Monday 15th July Thursday 18th July Friday 19th July Monday 22nd July Tuesday 23rd July Celebration of Music evening

Dorset Opera workshop for Seahorses, Sharks &

Porpoises

Durweston Church Fete

Sports Day

Porpoises Language Day at Clayesmore School

Sports assembly

DURWESTON BRIDGE CLOSES Nurse drop in for parents

School production – matinee performance School production – evening performance

New parents evening for Septemebr Starfish parents

Last week for clubs Last Starfish swimming

Transfer evening at The Blandford School

Life Education Van

Parents evening for September Dolphins parents

END OF TERM

STAFF TRAINING DAY STAFF TRAINING DAY STAFF TRAINING DAY

