

# Wimborne Weekly - Sept 1



## Welcome back

As we start our new year, I would like to welcome all new children and their families to the Wimborne Schools. Also a welcome back to all our existing children and families. We have new teachers joining us this year; Miss Kettle, Miss Parker and Mrs Swann. Mrs Brooks, Miss Slingsby and Mrs Kaur have joined our team of Teaching Assistants. We welcome you all to Wimborne and hope you soon feel like part of our team. We are currently in the process of recruiting an apprentice TA and another member of cover staff. Please see the staffing list, which has gone home today with your child, for a **complete list of staff**.

**WELCOME  
BACK!**

**Look out for these weekly newsletters. Your child will receive a copy of the school newsletter every Friday. Parents registered for Tucasi will also receive a copy via e-mail.** If you would like to register for Tucasi and haven't already, then please complete a form and drop it in to the school office. Forms are available on our school website or in the school office. Please check your spam/junk folder and add the school address to your contacts (this is currently only available for Junior School parents).

**School Website - [www.wimborne-jun.portsmouth.sch.uk](http://www.wimborne-jun.portsmouth.sch.uk) and [www.wimborne-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk](http://www.wimborne-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk)**

Our school website contains lots of information for parents; dates, year group information, children's work ideas! It is updated regularly and worth checking on a regular basis for what's new! **Copies of all letters sent to parents can be found on our school website along with all homework that is set.** A copy of our school handbook and prospectus can also be found here. We welcome your feedback and any ideas for content that you would like to see on our website. Please fill in our suggestion form on the home page.

## Visiting the school

Parents and visitors to the school are reminded that the only entrance into school is through the main Wimborne Road entrance. This is a security measure to ensure that we know who is on site when all the children are in lessons or in the playground. If you are coming into school you will be asked to sign in and wear a visitor's badge.



## School Bags

Children are asked to bring a book bag and lunch box (if having packed lunch) to school each day. Children who do not have a book bag will need to bring in a bag of an equivalent shape & size. We have limited space in cloakrooms and corridors so we do not have space for children to bring large bags to school. Children's packed lunch should be brought in a separate lunch box as this is stored separately from their book bag. As an Eco school we ask that packed lunches are not brought to school in plastic carrier bags. Rucksacks may only be brought to school by children who have permission to cycle to school.

## Do you have a charity we can support?

Is there a charity that has supported you or a family member which you would like the School Council to consider as their chosen charity this year? If there is, please let Mrs Jones know by 20<sup>th</sup> September for School Council to discuss and consider. Last year the school raised approximately £1000 for Cancer Research and aims to raise as much or even more for the chosen charity this year.



### School opening times

Children are to arrive at school from 8:45am, no earlier.

The playground gates are opened at this time - there is no supervision for your children prior to 8:45am (except Early Birds).

### Zig-Zag Lines

Please do not stop on the zig-zag lines or in the middle of the road to drop off or pick up your children. Please park and walk to ensure the safety of your child, other children, pedestrians and drivers. Thanks.



### Language & Artist of the Half Term

As a school with a variety of cultures and backgrounds represented, we believe in helping children understand more about the world in which we live. Language of the half term gives us a chance to learn about other countries and the language they speak. After our launch assembly we have time in class to learn some of the language. Our language this half term is Mandarin Chinese. We also study an artist each half term; this half term our artist is Andy Goldsworthy.

### School Dinners

**Juniors:** If you wish for your child to have school dinners, then you will need to register at [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com). From that point onwards you will be able to start pre-ordering and paying for meals online. Payment needs to be made online in advance, but your child can still order their hot meals in class, on the day, if you choose not to order their meals online.

**Infants:** As your child receives free school meals you only need to register for Scopay if you wish to pre-order meals. If your child is going to be late into school, please phone the school office to order your child's hot dinner for the day.



### Diary Dates:

#### September

- 10<sup>th</sup> - Y3 & Y4 Parents' meeting 3:30pm-4:00pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Y5 & Y6 Parents' meeting 3:30pm-4:00pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Y1 Parents' meeting 3:30-4:00pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> - Y2 Parents' meeting 3:30-4:00pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> - Y6 Bake off outcome 1:00-2:00pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> - Science dome visit for Y4 & Y5

#### October

- 2<sup>nd</sup> - School photographer - individual photos
- 7<sup>th</sup> - Parents' Evening- target setting 3:45-6:15pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> - Parents' Evening- target setting 3:45-7:15pm
- 24<sup>th</sup> - Harvest Festival- children only
- 24<sup>th</sup> - Flu immunisation Y3-Y5
- Wk beg - 28<sup>th</sup> - HALF TERM

#### Day Closures 2019-2020

**13<sup>th</sup> November**      **22<sup>nd</sup> January**      **1<sup>st</sup> June**      **10<sup>th</sup> July**

*Please see list of dates given to your child today for a list of dates for the coming year. Please add these dates to your diary. More information will be given to you nearer the time of each event.*

#### Letters sent home this week

(All letters can be found on our school website; go to Information, letters)  
Staff list      Dates for 2019-2020

These year group meetings are a great way to find out all about what will be happening in your child's new year group. Please do make every effort to attend; younger siblings will be supported.



Every Thursday 3:30-4:00pm Come and see your child's work.

#### Vacancy: Lunchtime Assistant

We are currently recruiting for a lunchtime assistant- if you are interested please contact the school office.

