

Newsletter



St Osmund's
CE Middle School
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Friday 17th April 2026

Dear Ossie's Families,

What a fantastic first week of term! We have all been really impressed with how our Ossie's have returned to school and have applied themselves in their lessons and activities. We have instantly returned to our calm, purposeful and positive ways of working. With clubs immediately restarting, it was brilliant to see so many students taking part in the lunch time and after school opportunities we provide.

Before our students returned together on Tuesday, we invited all parents/carers of students on our SEND register to come into school for a time to work together on the student's Individual Learning Plan (ILP). We had a great response, with the majority of families coming in to meet with their Ossie's form tutor. As well as meeting together, coming into school also helped many students to prepare for returning to school on Tuesday.

As a reminder to our school community, our main school priorities for this academic year are below. As you would expect from us, we constantly remind our Ossie's of **THING 1** as they seek to make the most of every learning moment:

School Priorities 2025-26



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All students are fully engaged in all aspects of learning



Establish school-wide behaviour curriculum

Spirituality becomes clearly established



Staff feel wellbeing concerns are heard



This week all parents/carers received our High Expectations information, which includes how we safely manage the use of our school field at break and lunch times. We particularly ask that parents/carers revisit this information with their child/ren, so that everyone can enjoy playing and socialising on the field on days when we have better weather.

So the summer term has started; we are underway! I wish you and your loved ones a wonderful weekend, however you decide to enjoy it.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Gareth Biddle
Head of School



OPEN MORNING FOR CURRENT PARENTS

On Wednesday 22nd April, we are holding an open morning at 9am to invite any parents of students in Years 5—8 to come and have a tour in order to see our students learning in action. This will be an opportunity to see a 'business as usual day' in the life of an Ossie. We look forward to welcoming you.

Please use the link below or QR code to book a place.

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-osmunds-school/t-mjjkvkx>



PARENT / CARER WEBINAR

Please see beside an invitation to an online webinar focused on understanding Autism.



The poster features a teal background with white and yellow text. At the top left are social media icons for Facebook, X, and Instagram, with the handle @DORSETMHST. To the right are logos for Dorset Mental Health Support Team in Schools and NHS Dorset HealthCare University. The main title 'PARENT/CARER WEBINAR' is in a white rounded rectangle, followed by 'UNDERSTANDING AUTISM' in bold black text. Below this is the tagline 'NO DIAGNOSIS NEEDED - EVERYONE'S WELCOME'. The text describes the webinar's purpose: 'Are you supporting a child or young person who is autistic or may be autistic? Join our friendly webinar to better understand their needs and explore practical ways to support them at home.' It lists the topics to be covered in a 1-hour live session: sensory needs, communication differences, emotional regulation, anxiety, and practical strategies. The event is on Thursday 23 April, 4pm-5pm, and is an online event. A QR code is provided for registration. At the bottom, a link is given: 'For more information and to sign up: https://bit.ly/4rKSObv'.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Monday 20th April—Year 8 River Trip—8D6 & 8C4—see letter

Tuesday 21st April—Year 8 River Trip—8B3 & 8A2—see letter

Wednesday 22nd & Tuesday 28th April—Year 7 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 22nd April—Parents of Years 5-8—Open Morning—9am

Thursday 23rd April—Rockley Parents Information Evening

Thursday 30th April—Year 8 River Trip—8D5 & 8A1—see letter

Friday 1st May—INSET DAY

Monday 4th May—BANK HOLIDAY

Thursday 7th May—Mendip & Mendip Camp Parents Information Evening

Monday 11th May—Thursday 14th May—Year 6 SATs Week

Tuesday 19th May—Paris Parents Information Evening

Monday 25th May— Friday 29th May—HALF TERM

Monday 1st June— Back to school

ENRICHMENT WEEK

Watch this space for Enrichment Week updates! We will be adding to this section over the next few weeks to remind you of any action you may need to take.

Things To Do:

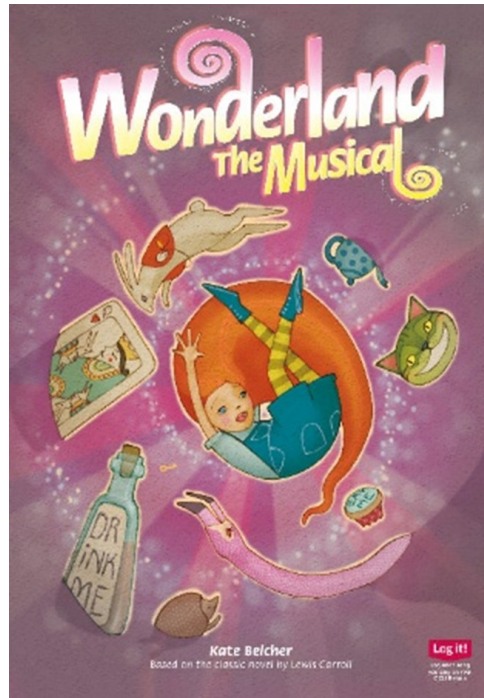
- Check you child's medical and dietary requirements are correct on Arbor. You can find these on the main menu under 'profile', dietary requirements / medical conditions.
- Upload a copy of your child's passport and GHIC card (Paris trip) as per the letter sent to you on Monday 9th March.
- Thursday 23rd April—Rockley Parents Information Evening—5pm
- Thursday 7th May—Mendip and Mendip Camp Parents Information Evening—5pm
- Tuesday 19th May—Paris Parents Information Evening—5pm

OSSIE'S OPPORTUNITIES

	LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL 3.15pm - 4.15pm
M O N D A Y	<p>Zoneball – KS2 – WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>Zoneball – KS3 – WDA – Sports Centre</p>	<p>Wonderland Workshop – All Years – SSH – Small Hall</p> <p>Art Club – KS3 – SST – Art Room</p> <p>Dodgeball – KS3 – WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>Rounders – KS2 – ERE, JHA – Field</p> <p>Softball – KS3 – DK1 - Field</p>
T U E S D A Y	<p>OCAG – KS3 – HMU – Rm 20</p> <p>OCAG – KS2 – SCA – Rm 11</p> <p>Street Soccer – KS2 – WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>Street Soccer – KS3 - WDA – Sports Centre</p>	<p>Rock & Pop Club – All Years – SSH – Music Room</p> <p>Athletics – All Years – DK1, ERE, WDA, JHA - Field</p>
W E D S	<p>Art Club – KS2 – SST – Art Room</p> <p>Basketball – KS2 – WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>Basketball – KS3 - WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>Creative Writing – KS2 – Room 11</p>	<p>Pickleball – All Years – Sign up required</p> <p>Tennis – KS3 - ERE – Top Courts</p> <p>Creative Writing Club – INVITE ONLY - Library</p>
T H U R S	<p>Computer Club – KS2 – LPi – ICT Room</p> <p>OCAG – KS2 – SCA – Rm 11</p> <p>KS3 OCAG Energy Savers – HMU – Rm 20</p> <p>Street Soccer – KS2 – WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>GIRLS Street Soccer – KS3 - WDA – Sports Centre</p>	<p>2.45 - 3.15pm - Concert Band—KS3—SSH—Music— INVITE ONLY</p> <p>Handball – KS3 – DK1 – Top Courts</p> <p>Gardening Club – All Years – Outside room 3 - (sign up with Miss Pike first before attending)</p> <p>Rounders – KS3 – DRO – Field</p> <p>Cricket – KS3 –GBI – Field - CANCELLED</p> <p>Tennis – KS2 – WDA – Top Courts</p> <p>Volleyball – KS3 – AMI – Sports Hall</p> <p>Coding Club – GOT, LFO, ICT Room</p> <p>Chess Club – INVITE ONLY – CMI – Library</p> <p>Wonderland Workshop – All Years – SSH – Small Hall</p>
F R I	<p>Chaos Tag – KS2 – WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>Badminton – KS3 - WDA – Sports Centre</p>	<p>Badminton – Year 8 – CURRENTLY FULL</p>

WONDERLAND THE MUSICAL

St Osmund's presents..... **WONDERLAND THE MUSICAL!!!!!!**



If your child would like to be in the Ossie's Performance at Easter 2027, they will need to attend all of the following workshops, 3.15 - 4.15pm, meet in the music studio.

Monday 20th April

Thursday 23rd April

If your child is currently in year 6 & 7 and would like a speaking part, they must attend the auditions on the following dates at 3.15 - 4.15pm.

- **Monday 27th April**
- **Thursday 30th April**

1st Rehearsal for all who want to be involved and those with named parts

- **Thursday 7th May** 3.15 – 4.15pm - meet in the music studio.

Rehearsals after this date will be:

- **Monday rehearsals – Whole Cast**
- **Thursday Rehearsals – Those with lines and solos.** (You will be told each week if you need to attend.)

WESSEX ARTS FEST

FREE!



Saturday 9th May
@ Thomas Hardy School
10am – 3pm

A day of music, drama and dance performances
and workshops for all the family.

Performances by orchestras, jazz bands, rock bands, choirs and individual young musicians from across the local schools.

Drama, musical theatre and dance performances by students from The Thomas Hardy School.

Workshops for all to take part in (sign-up in advance!)

"Come and Try" instrument sessions and music tech sessions

Ceilidh dance, Dance workshop, Big-sing workshop, Pre-school music, Samba workshop, Folk music workshop, Street band workshop, BBQ, refreshments and more!

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CERNE GIANT FESTIVAL

18th April - 9th May

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Festival

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www.CerneGiantFestival.org

Family-Friendly Events

JOIN A FOOTBALL TEAM



JOIN OUR UNDER-11s FOOTBALL TEAM!

PLAYERS FROM CURRENT YEARS 5 & 6



✓ FA QUALIFIED COACHES ✓ FUN & FRIENDLY TEAM



OPEN TRAINING SESSIONS IN MAY & JUNE

WEDNESDAYS @ THE MARSH

6:30PM – 7:30PM

BEING PART OF
WEYMOUTH FC BRINGS
OPPORTUNITIES TO BE
MASCOTS, MEET THE
PLAYERS AND MORE!

👉 GET IN TOUCH!

Contact Nick-
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Ages 8~10½

📅 Thursdays

Scouts

Ages 10½~13

📅 Wednesdays



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- ◆ Teamwork & Leadership
- ◆ Earning Badges & Awards



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& SKILLS ACADEMY.
10 SESSION COURSE**

GIRLS ONLY SESSIONS | AGES 10-17

SESSION DATES

Tuesday 19th May	Tuesday 30th June
Tuesday 2nd June	Tuesday 7th July
Tuesday 9th June	Tuesday 14th July
Tuesday 16th June	Tuesday 21st July
Tuesday 23rd June	Tuesday 28th July

**TOTAL COURSE
PRICE: £55**
INCLUDES FREE
GIRLS ACADEMY
T-SHIRT!

VENUE: BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY

**FEATURING GUEST COACHING FROM BOURNEMOUTH
UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S TEAM & ALUMNI** (SELECT SESSIONS)

!!! LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE !!! BOOK NOW !!



WEEKLY ON TUESDAYS | 6:30PM - 7:30PM

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