

Newsletter



St Osmund's
CE Middle School
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Friday 24th April 2026

Dear Ossie's Families,

It has been lovely recently to experience the warmer weather and lighter nights. With the better weather I know that the children have really appreciated the opportunity this week to once again play on our school field. As always, it is such a pleasure to see them playing and socialising, both at break and lunchtime, in such a positive and respectful manner. The summer term is always a special time in the life of the school. During our Enrichment week, on the 29th June to the 3rd July, alongside day trips to Harry Potter World, Madame Tussauds, the Eden Project, Marwell Zoo and Portland Sailing Academy many of our children will be going away on residential trips to Rockley, Mendip and Paris. At St Osmund's we highly value the benefits of these trips, from so many different perspectives. For many of our children the memories and friendships that they will make on these trips will stay with them for many years to come.

We are also at a time of the year when children throughout the country will shortly be taking national exams or assessments. In the week beginning Monday 11th May, our children in Year 6, alongside all children nationally, will undertake end of Key Stage 2 assessments, commonly referred to as SATs (Standard Assessment Tests) in reading, spelling, punctuation, grammar and maths. The tests are designed to help measure the attainment of pupils in relation to the standards set out in the national curriculum, and help teachers and parents identify where pupils may need additional support in certain subject areas. There are no tests for English writing or science, at the end of Key Stage 2, instead Year 6 teachers will make a judgement based on each child's overall work and performance. As with the tests, these judgements will help to indicate if a child requires more support in the subject. Schools throughout the country will receive the results of the end of Key Stage 2 SATs, at the beginning of July. We look forward to sharing the results of the end of Key Stage 2 SATs, as part of our end of Year reports.

Finally, just a date for your diary. On Friday 5th June, from 5pm to 9pm we will be holding our summer Music festival "Ossie's Fest 2026", which promises to another exciting event in the school calendar.

I would just like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a happy and relaxing weekend.

Mr S Beet
Deputy Headteacher



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tuesday 28th April—Year 7 Parents' 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

Friday 5th June—Ossie's Fest

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 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 Auditions – 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 – DKI - Field</p>
T U E S D A Y	<p>OCAG – KS3 – HMU – Rm 20</p> <p>OCAG – KS2 – SCA – Rm 11</p> <p>Art Club – Year 6 – SST – Art Room</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 - CANCELLED</p> <p>Athletics – All Years – DKI, ERE, WDA, JHA - Field</p>
W E D S	<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>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 – DKI – 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</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 Auditions – All Years – SSH – Small Hall</p>
F R I	INSET DAY	INSET DAY

WONDERLAND THE MUSICAL

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

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.

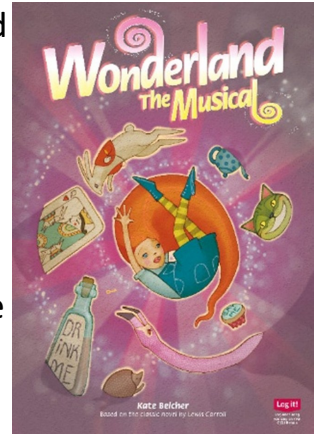
- **Monday 27th April**
- **Thursday 30th April**

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.)



OSSIE'S FEST

June 5th 5pm-9pm

OSSIE'S FEST 2026

Ossie's Fest is back for 2026, tickets available now on Arbor, more information coming soon!



We are looking for sponsors and raffle prizes for our fun family event, if your business or workplace may be interested in supporting, please get in touch with your friendly PTA team - frossies@stosmunds.wessex.ac



Ticket prices £3 an adult, £2 a child when purchased in advance, 50p increase per ticket on the night.

ST GEORGE'S DAY FAIR

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FAIR

SATURDAY 25TH APRIL
1PM TO 4PM

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH
FORDINGTON GREEN

CAKE • TOMBOLA • DR JAZZ
BRIC-A-BRAC • BOOK SALE
GAMES • PLANTS • RAFFLE
ART • ONE VOICE CHOIR
MORRIS AND HISTORICAL DANCERS
AND MUCH MORE!

**CASH
ONLY**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:
WWW.ACHURCHNEARYOU.COM/CHURCH/6110/

WESSEX ARTS FEST

Wessex Arts Fest - Saturday 9th May 10am - 3pm. FREE ENTRY FOR ALL!

Come and join us for a day celebrating the arts at Thomas Hardy School. A day for all the family! Music and Drama performances by young people, workshops for all ages (adults and children). Come and Try instrument sessions, Music Tech, Ceilidh dance, Pre-school music, Big Sing, BBQ, Cakes and much more!

Come and watch, or sign-up in advance to take part in various sessions. We'd love to see you!

music.wessex.ac



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ARTS FEST
2026**

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
Hardye 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

**Cerne
Giant**



Festival

CERNE ABBAS

www.CerneGiantFestival.org

Family-Friendly Events



LET'S
GO
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DORCHESTER KITE FESTIVAL

Sat 6th June, 11am-4.30pm
The Great Field, Poundbury

Design a Kite Competition!

Help launch Dorchester's first ever Kite Festival by designing a kite to represent our town. Take inspiration from the landscape, places, and people to create 'A Celebration of Dorchester'. Use your creativity and imagination to decorate the template on the reverse of this sheet.

Designs will be judged by the Mayor of Dorchester. The winning design will be made into a real kite by an artist and flown by the Mayor to start and end the festival!

Please don't forget to fill in your contact details so we can get in touch with the lucky winner.

Parent/guardian please complete so we can find our winner! BLOCK CAPITALS

Name of Child: _____ Age: _____

Name of parent/guardian: _____

Postcode: _____ Tel/Mobile: _____

Parent's email: _____

Please tick to allow us permission to use your design for future marketing:

Enter by Midday Friday 15th May 2026

To enter, send your entry form and design to us by

Email: conniehollings@dorchester-tc.gov.uk

Post/drop-off: Dorchester Town Council, 19 North Square, Dorchester, DT1 1JF



Please see following page for the kite template

My Celebration of Dorchester!





CASTERBRIDGE CANTER

**CHARITY FUNDRAISER FOR
DORCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL PTFA**

**Wednesday 8th July at 7pm
10K & 5K trail race**

10K and 5K chip timed trail races around some absolutely stunning farmland. A pure trail run with no roads, maybe some hills, and 90% crosses private land with special permission just for this event! It promises to be a challenging and enjoyable evening with bar, BBQ and lots of cake.

Find us on Facebook for more information

ENTRIES NOW OPEN AT

www.casterbridgecanter.co.uk

GIRLS FOOTBALL



MAIDEN NEWTON
YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB



GIRLS FOOTBALL

GIRLS CELEBRATION DAY

We're excited to be hosting a
Girls Football Celebration Day!



SUNDAY
3RD MAY



10:00 AM
TIL 1:00 PM

FOOTBALL FUN INCLUDING:



GAMES
& ACTIVITIES



FOOTBALL
CHALLENGES



SMALL SIDED
GAMES



FOOD &
REFRESHMENTS

WE WILL ALSO BE RUNNING A
"JOIN OUR TEAM!"
OPEN SESSIONS FOR GIRLS TEAM

U8s,
U10s, U12s
& U14s



Sign Up

COME ALONG, HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS &
PLAY FOOTBALL!

Memorial Playing Fields, Hedley Haward,
Maiden Newton, Dorchester DT2 0AX



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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