



Lyttchett Matravers Primary School and Preschool

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Dear Parents / Carers,

I would like to thank all members of the community for their support last week when the soaring temperatures provided multiple challenges to the running of the school. The children and staff showed really high levels of *mollitia* (resilience) in continuing with their learning despite the strains that hot weather provides.

This latest meteorological event highlights what we already know about our planet: climate change is happening and is resulting in more extreme weather events. It is essential that our children understand that we must do all we can to support worldwide efforts to look after our environment.

With this in mind, next week we will hold an eco-challenge week to focus the children's minds on taking small steps to support eco-awareness. On Monday, we will have an assembly about what these might be and explain that if everyone does one small thing a day across the world, this would result in a significant change to our environment.

We will then be running a daily eco-challenge. Every day, children will reflect on a step they have taken to support the climate.

This could, for example, be:

- Walking to / from school rather than taking a car
- Not eating meat for one meal
- Turning off lights
- Turning off other electrical equipment (e.g. items on standby)
- Placing items into recycling bins / food bins
- Eating local produce that has not had to be transported a significant distance



We would also like to invite the children to wear something green on Wednesday of next week to show that they are supporting the environment. This should be one item in addition to their usual uniform. For example, they could wear green socks or a green T-shirt with their other uniform items.

Please do support your child in this initiative, it is their future after all.

With warmest wishes as always,

Mr Vernon, Headteacher





Mrs Farwell

Following 27 years at LMPS, Mrs Farwell has decided that it is time for her to begin her retirement from the end of this academic year. Alongside supporting children within their learning, she has offered expert pastoral support for a multitude of children within her role as an Emotional Literacy Support Assistant. We calculated that over her years in the school, she would have encountered well over a thousand children! That's a lot of voices saying 'Thank You!'

Jody

Jody will also be leaving preschool at the end of the term. We thank her for her excellent support for the youngest children in our provision and wish her all of the best in her next career step!



Arts Week

From Monday 13th July, the children will be taking part in Arts Week. The teachers are busy arranging a wide range of exciting activities for them to take part in – not to be missed! We look forward to sharing some of their pieces with the community at the end of the week.

SEND Information

A range of online events are available from the FACE group during July, each one lasting 90 minutes:

Uniform

Please note that although we do have a new uniform supplier, R T Promotions, we **do not** have a new uniform! There are no planned changes to the uniform.



Additional INSED

As previously communicated, we now have an additional INSED day following information sharing from our academy trust, Hamwic Education. This will be held on Friday 18th December. Therefore, the children's last day in the Autumn term will be Thursday 17th December.

 July 2026 Timetable All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long £24 each or FREE with School Membership Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk Recordings available for 48 hours	
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	6 July 10am
Anxiety Explained	6 July 7pm
Introduction to OCD	7 July 10am
What is ACT?	7 July 7pm
Decreasing Depression	13 July 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	13 July 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	14 July 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	14 July 7pm
FREE - Supporting Healthy Screen Use	16 July 7-8pm
Autism-Improving Communication	20 July 10am
Improving Family Communication	20 July 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	21 July 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	21 July 7pm
Understanding Anger	27 July 10am
School Anxiety	27 July 7pm
Facing Defiance	28 July 10am
Supporting Health Screen Use	28 July 7pm

Holiday Activities

Holiday activities are still available within the local area to book. These continue to be funded by the DfE to provide free places (and hot meals) for children who receive benefit-related free school meals (FSM). Bookings for activities are now live. Parents/carers can click here to book spaces:

[Holiday activities and food \(HAF\) programme - Dorset Council](#)

Sessions do book up fast, so please sign up quickly! FSM families need to pre-register to receive a passcode via text/email. This code should then be shared when booking activities. Please register by emailing holidayactivities@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk and providing your child's name, date of birth and school, or by calling 01305 221157.



Dorset Council **STARS** **HOLIDAY CLUB** **BCP Council**

SUMMER SPECTACULAR

THURSDAY 23RD JULY - FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST

LIMITED FREE HAF SPACES AVAILABLE

A multi-activity holiday club for children aged 4-13 with activities such as: Football, Dance, Gymnastics, Inflatable Fun, Dodgeball, Arts & Crafts, Nerf Wars, Tennis, Cricket and many more!

PAID SPACES JUST £20 PER DAY
08:00 - 16:00 DAILY

4 CONVENIENT VENUES

- Kingsleigh Primary School BH10 5HT
- Bayside Academy BH16 5AH
- Lytchett Matravers Primary School BH16 6DY
- Swanage Primary School BH19 2EY

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

- ★ 25% Sibling Discount
- ★ 25% Stars Members Discount
- ★ 25% KPS Pupil Discount
- ★ 25% Lytchett Pupil Discount
- ★ 25% Swanage Primary Discount
- ★ 25% Bayside Pupil Discount

BEST START IN LIFE

Book via Class Manager or contact: kirsty@starscorporateltd.co.uk

Department for Education

All holiday activities that are taking part in Summer in Dorset are also open to fee-paying families and the majority are accessible to children of all abilities.

This summer, Stars Holiday Club will be running a club at LMPS during most weeks of the holiday with discounts available for LMPS pupils! Booking details are available on their website:

[Home - Stars Holiday Club](#)

Online Bullying

The Hamwic Online Safety Hub offers a wealth of information about how you can keep your child safe online.

Unfortunately, modern trends in relation to bullying demonstrate that this is occurring increasingly online through a range of platforms. See below for advice about what you can do to support your child in this area:

[Online Safety Hub - Hamwic Education Trust](#)

Attendance

Our attendance took an understandable dip last week following the impact of severe weather. This resulted in a 0.2% decrease in our overall attendance, which currently stands at 95.5% for children from Reception to Year 6. This is our target for the year so please continue to support us to achieve it for the last few weeks of school!

*Every
day
Counts*