



'As each one does their part, we grow
in love' Ephesians 4 vs 16



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Look out for our sports news on
our Facebook page.

Pimperne School Prayer

(Written by Year 6 leavers 2014)

This is our school

Let it be full of learning and laughter

Let the classrooms be filled with encouragement and joy

Let us be safe, surrounded by our friends

May God be with us, and shine upon us with love

And let us remember to respect each other

As many hearts make a family

So many hearts make a school

And many hearts make Pimperne

Amen

Our School Values

Perseverance
Compassion
Courage
Trust

Forgiveness
Selflessness
Justice
Respect

Weekly Newsletter

Summer Term 10/7/2026

Head Teacher's Update

Thank you for your support this week in the heat. Whilst we very much want children in school, we trust you to know your own child and when they need the odd day cut short. The heat impacts everyone very differently. This will continue for the week ahead. The offer of collecting your child at 12.30pm when temperatures go over 29 degrees remains in place, but we do ask that we know in advance.

School Books – please could we ask that your child/ren tidy bedrooms and bookshelves to find any stray school library or class books and return them this week. We will not be sending any more reading books home this term. This gives us time to audit our stocks and replace where necessary.

Fun Run in aid of Cancer Research - Wow! There were lots of superheroes and icons at **school** this week! All for the most amazing reason - wanting to raise money for Cancer Research UK! They walked, jogged and ran around the grounds and Mr Lukins field. Well done to everyone one! You are all a superhero! If you would still like to donate then please use this link: <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/fionas-giving-page-28675361>



Mobile Phones—Introducing the Greenway Partnership Brick Mobile Phone Policy : The Greenway Partnership is a cluster of schools within the Hamwic Education Trust. It consists of Hampreston First School, Pimperne Primary School, Livingstone Road Infant and Junior Schools, Bishop St Aldhelms Primary School and Talbot Primary School.

In line with current Government guidance, the Greenway Partnership is committed to ensuring that every child enjoys a safe, nurturing and purposeful environment in which they can learn, grow and thrive. As part of this commitment, we would like to inform you that, from September 2026, all schools within the Greenway Partnership will introduce a Brick Mobile Phone Policy.

This means that pupils who need a phone for travel or family communication may bring a **basic** mobile phone (often called a "brick phone"), but smartphones will not be permitted in school except in approved exceptional circumstances.



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Our decision is based on four key priorities:

- Safeguarding children and young people.
- Improving focus and engagement in learning.
- Supporting positive wellbeing and mental health.
- Encouraging healthy face-to-face friendships and relationships.

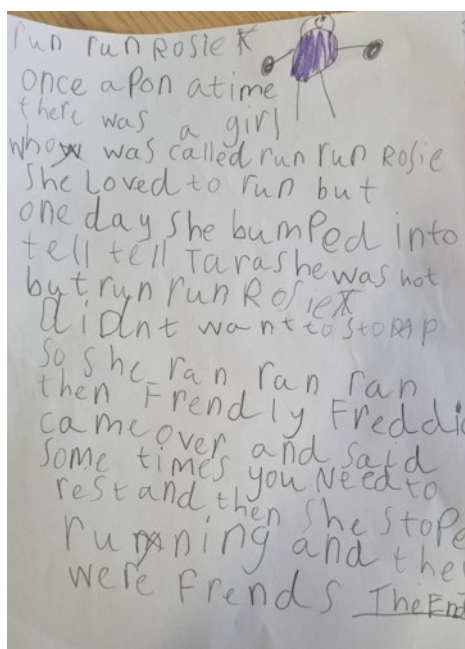
Particular concerns include the use of WhatsApp and other group messaging platforms, which can:

- Expose children to content that is not age appropriate.
- Create social pressure and anxiety through constant communication.
- Increase friendship issues and exclusion from group chats.
- Contribute to bullying, conflict and safeguarding concerns outside and inside school.
- Lead to distractions that impact learning and concentration.

We believe children learn best when they are fully present in lessons, actively participating in school life and engaging positively with those around them. Removing smartphones from the school day helps create calmer, more connected learning environments where children can flourish.

There is additional information coming out to all families in Years R-5 as this will come into force from September 2026.

Learning that makes us smile – Thank you to Rosie who came to share her amazing writing this week. Rosie has taken the initiative to come up with a new character who lives at 'Friendship Terrace' (class PSHE learning). Rosie seems to have a number of ideas so I am hopeful we might see a budding author in the making! The new character, 'Run Run Rosie', lives at Number 11, Friendship Terrace and had a habit of running everywhere, until she takes on some kindly advice from 'Friendly Freddie' to stop a while and rest!



It is such a busy time of year, but I do hope that you manage to stay cool and enjoy the weekend. See you next week.

Fiona Waller

(Headteacher)

Holiday Voucher Scheme

Following changes to Government FSM policy and funding, the Holiday Voucher Scheme is ending this academic year.

Schools Out! (HAF) – Bookings Open Now

Bookings for the Schools Out! Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme are now open.

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

To book activities visit: [School's Out! Holiday Activity and Food Programme \(HAF\) - Holidays, Activities and Food](#)

Holiday activities within Schools Out! are also open to fee-paying families, and the majority are accessible to children of all abilities. Please feel free to encourage all families to take part, even if they are not eligible for funded places.



WE ARE HIRING

CHEF/COOK - BLANDFORD

- £13.20/Hour
- 7.00am – 3pm, (37.5hrs) Monday to Friday
- Term-time Only
- No evening OR weekend work
- Start date: September 2026



Please email jobs@localfoodlinks.org.uk for a job description and application pack.

Application deadline: Wednesday 15th July

Local Food Links are hiring!

Our Blandford team at Local Food Links is currently recruiting for a Cook/Chef. The position is term time only & NO weekend or evening work.

Please see attached advert.

Email jobs@localfoodlinks.org.uk for more information.

Application Deadline: Wednesday 15th July

Join Mad Science here at Pimperne Primary School for an unforgettable Summer Holiday Camp. From crazy chemistry to amazing inventions, every day is a new adventure!

Spaces are limited

Book now and let the summer fun begin! 🌞 🧪 ✨



Mad SCIENCE

SUMMER CAMP

Hands-on Science!
5-11yrs

9:30am – 3pm

3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th August 2026

Pimperne Primary School,
Blandford Forum DT11 8WF

[Book here](#)

SUMMER STEM FUN! (6 – 11yrs) at Pimperne Primary School - Blandford.
| MadScienceWessex | Powered by: GlassForKids

Limited Places

20 Junior Mad Scientists per camp

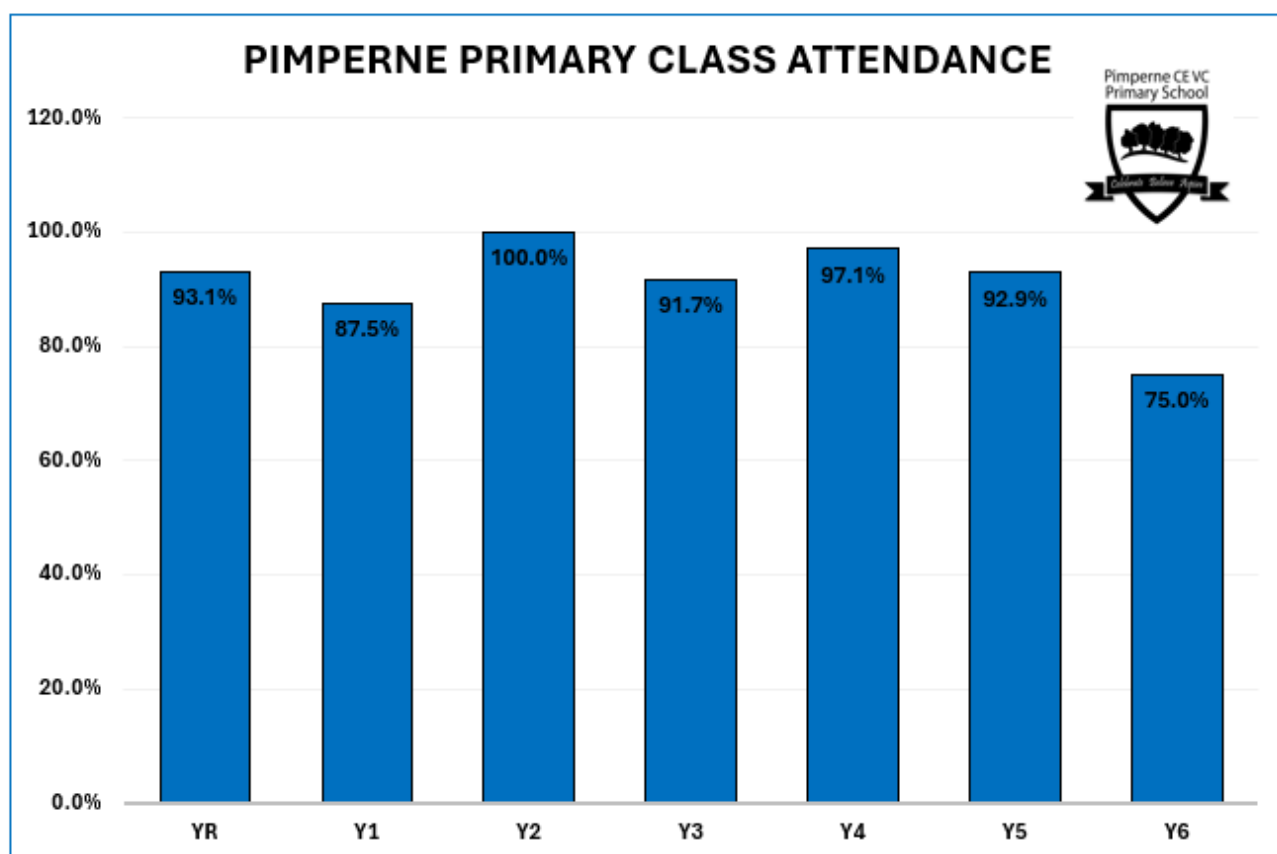
EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT

Prices from...
£29 per day
until 28th June!

Contact us on
info@madsciencewessex.co.uk

Inspiring Scientists of the Future

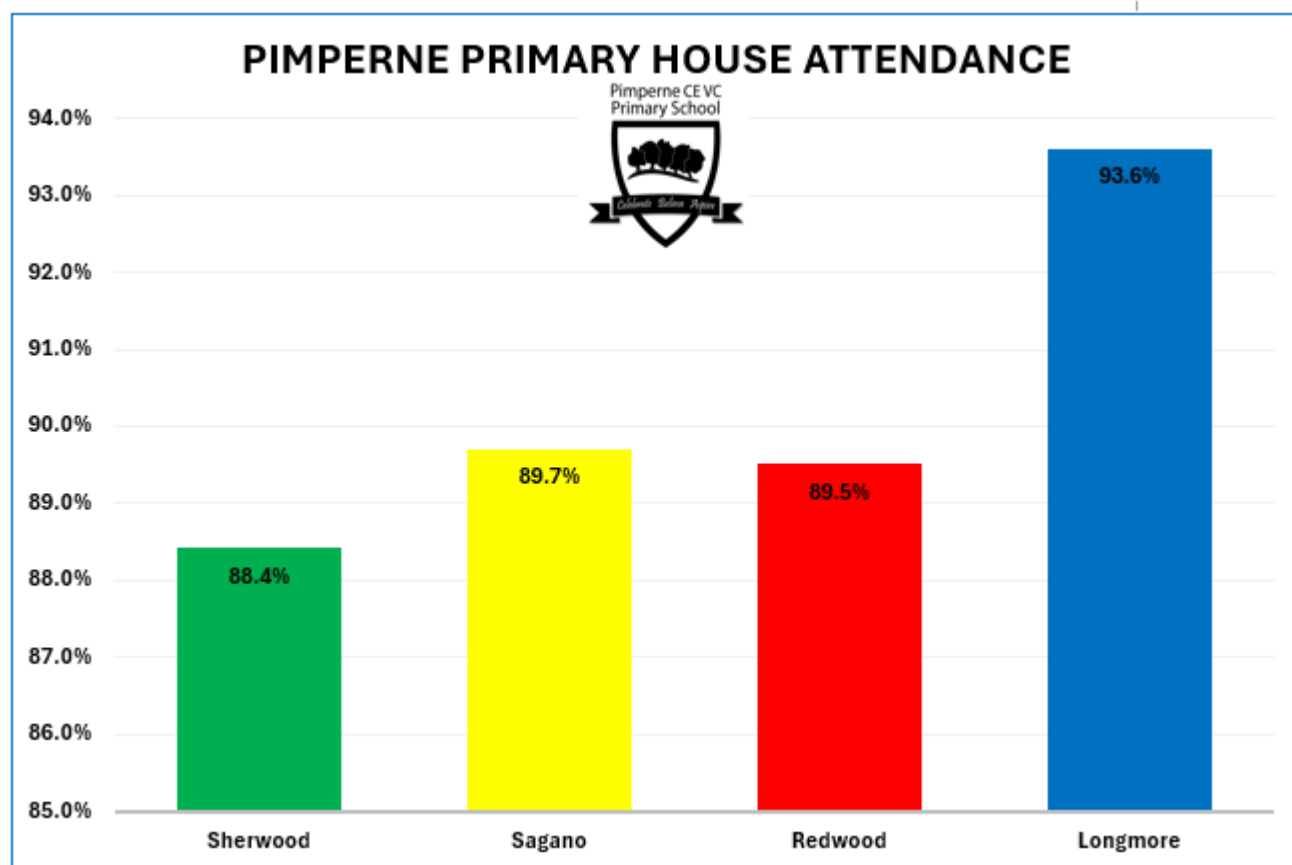
This weeks class attendance



This week's whole school attendance = 90.3 %

House with the highest attendance = **LONGMORE** = 93.6%

Every session counts! Please help your child.



Monday 13th July

PE KIT—Years 2, 3 & 6

KS2 French Club 3-4pm

Tuesday 14th

PE KIT—Years 1, 4 & 5

Alex Bett Guitar Lessons

Wednesday 15th

PE KIT—Years R, 1 & 6

Year 1 & 2 Forest School Visit

Year 5 Rounders Tournament (*parents aware*)

Year 6 Production @ 1:30pm

KS1 French Club

KS1 & KS2 Multi Sports Club 3-4pm

KS2 Drama Club 3-4pm

Thursday 16th

PE KIT—Years R, 4 & 5

Year 2 Pirate Day

Learning to ride—Group 5 (*parents aware*)

Bridget Riggs Piano Lessons

Friday 17th

PE KIT—Year 2 & 3

Year 6 Leavers Service @ 1:30pm

Rocksteady



SAFEGUARDING

If you have any concerns around the safety of a child, call
Children's Advice and Duty Service (ChADS) 01305 228866

Or if a child is in immediate danger call 999

Designated Safeguarding Leads:

Mrs Waller, Mrs Hayward & Miss Tatham

PE Timetable Summer 2 (w/b 1st June)

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
Years 2, 3 & 6	Years 1, 4 & 5	Years R, 1 & 6	Years R, 4 & 5	Years 2 & 3

LAST DAY OF TERM—MONDAY 20TH JULY

RETURN TO SCHOOL—THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER



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Whole School Term Dates 2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026-2027

Term begins Y1 – Y6: Thursday 3rd September 2026

Half term: Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October 2026

INSET DAY - Monday 2nd November 2026

Term ends: Friday 18th December 2026

Christmas Holidays – Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January 2027

Spring Term 2026-2027

Term begins: Monday 4th January 2027

Half Term: Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February 2027

Term ends: Wednesday 24th March 2027

INSET DAY - Thursday 25th March 2027

Good Friday – Friday 26th March 2027

Easter Holidays – Monday 29th March – Friday 9th April 2027

Summer Term 2026-2027

Term begins: Monday 12th April

May Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May 2027

Half Term: Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2027

INSET DAY – Monday 7th June 2027

INSET DAY – Friday 2nd July 2027

Term Ends for ALL: Wednesday 21st July 2027 at 3pm

Reception Class September 2026

3rd & 4th – Group A only (8:30-11:30)

7th & 8th – Group B only (8:30-11:30)

9th – All YR (8:30-11:30)

10th - All YR 8:30-1pm (incl. lunch)

11th - All YR 8.30-1pm & optional 1-3pm

INSET DAYS

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Friday 2nd October 2026

Monday 2nd November 2026

Thursday 25th March 2027

Monday 7th June 2027

Friday 2nd July 2027

Inset Days may change but as much advance notice as possible will be given



Class Email Accounts

Don't forget that class email accounts are not checked daily & not checked between 7.45-3.30. If a message is important please send to the office to ensure the class team receive it.

Breakfast and After School Clubs

These clubs are becoming increasingly busy so it is important that you book sessions well in advance. We are not able to guarantee adding children to the registers last minute, but please do phone the School Office to request a space and we will do our best!

All Breakfast and After School Club bookings need to be made using ParentMail 2 days in advance from the day that you require the provision. Last minute bookings will be subject to a £2.50 administration charge, charges also apply to cancellation or administrative changes inside 48 hours.

Drop off and Parking for Breakfast Club is in the Village Hall car park. Please DO NOT use the School Drive.

Walking in/out of School

A quick reminder that the school drive is a roadway and the entrance way is a blind corner. It is safest to use the pedestrian pathway to enter and leave the school site.

Absence Reporting

It's really important to remember to report your child's absence to school by 8.30 so that the registers are accurate. This is part of our safeguarding process. You can report your child's absence by leaving a message on our telephone absence line or via ParentMail.

Uniform

**Please name all school uniform & PE kit to make lost items easy to locate!
If you are unsure about the uniform guidance this is available on our website.**



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