

Attendance & Punctuality

At Wimborne we expect a high level of attendance and punctuality. **Good attendance at Wimborne is 97% or above.** Good attendance and punctuality is rewarded in Celebration Assembly.

'This is Jack. His attendance is 90%.' Is this good? What does it mean? Jack thinks this is pretty good; so do his parents. Are they right? 90% attendance = $\frac{1}{2}$ day missed every week! Over 1 year this means that Jack would have missed 4 whole weeks of lessons.

Being punctual is a key skill we all need in all walks of life. Being late can cause all kinds of issues in daily life: be late for the cinema and you miss the opening scenes to the film, be late for an appointment and you may not be able to get another one, be late for a meeting and you may miss important points made. Being late for school can have huge implications for a child:

- they miss the start of the day when they find out what is planned for the day ahead
- they miss their morning greeting by the class teacher
- they miss the early morning catch up with their friends
- they miss some or all of their reading or phonics lesson, making reading harder in other subjects
- they maybe unsettled and emotional



Birthday Books

As a healthy school and due to a number of allergies please do not send in sweets or cakes to be distributed to the class on your child's birthday.

If you would like to share your child's birthday celebration please consider donating a book as a lasting gift to the school library.

You can write their name inside the front cover.



Wanted: Dress up clothes

We are looking for any donations of fancy dress clothes for our children. Please could we ask that if you have any unwanted dress up clothes that are in good condition, that you no longer need, would you consider donating them to the school. We are especially keen for dress up clothes for boys. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.



We celebrate children's achievements in and out of school; please let us know of your child's achievements.



Absence from school/holidays during term time

Requests for absence from school, other than sickness, should be made to the Headteacher on a 'Leave of Absence' form. **Absence will not be authorised for family holidays except in extenuating circumstances** i.e. leave needed immediately following serious illness or death in the family. Leave of Absence forms must be submitted at least 5 days before leave is required. If your child is taken out of school during term time that is not authorised, you may be subject to a fixed penalty fine. Regular attendance at school is both a legal requirement and essential for children to enjoy and achieve during their time at school. As we work in partnership to enable your child to have the best learning opportunities, I ask you to support us by not taking your child out of school for family holidays.

Congratulations to:

Teddy Way (Lacerta) & Jake Hayward (Lacerta) who have signed a 1 year contract with the Portsmouth Football Academy.

Iris Mayfield (Aquila) has received her half marathon wristband her personal best junior park run.

Alex Bowen (Pegasus) who has received a volunteer award.



Challenger



Endeavour



Explorer



Discovery

Big Question of the Week

What can we do if we feel things are unfair?



Attendance cup awarded to **Aquila, Draco and Perseus** classes for 100% attendance

Diary Dates:

September

19th - Bank Holiday

21st - School photographer

26th - Y4 trip to Southsea Beach

28th - Y6 Zoolab visit

October

W/B 3rd - Y6 Bikeability

5th - Y5 trip to Winchester Science Centre

17th - Parents' Evening 3:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

19th - Parents' Evening 3:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

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Day Closures

16th November, 5th June, 5th July

Letters emailed home this week

(All letters can be found on our school website; go to Information, Parent Zone, letters)

Club Lists & Sign up letters

Y3 Crafty Chocolatier

Y6 Revised Zoolab letter

Please Note:

Due to the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II our artist of the half term will now be: Tribute to the Queen

