

Newsletter



St Osmund's
CE Middle School
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Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Ossie's Families,

It's been another busy and enjoyable week here in school. We have been recognising and celebrating positive learning behaviours in lessons all day every day. To date, we have awarded over 52,000 achievement points across the school since September! Any concerns are also shared with you via 'behaviour points'. This is the quickest and easiest way for us to 'keep you in the loop' on a daily basis. The educational and/or protective consequence will have been shared with you too. This allows you to talk this through with your son/daughter and support the schools expectations at home in real time. I am a firm believer, as a parent and a teacher, that small things are so much easier to deal with than allowing them to grow into bigger issues. Do contact your child's form tutor in the first instance if you have any concerns or worries.

OACG have been working hard to get ready for yet another amazing clothes swap this week. Thank you for all your support with this. We have had lots of contributions which all help to make it a bigger and better event. The children are genuinely excited about looking through the clothes and swapping their tokens and I've seen some very happy 'customers'. Helping our children grow into global citizens who can look after our planet for future generations is a really important part of our school vision and values.

Today we have celebrated and supported Comic Relief with a traditional non-uniform day. Thank you for your contributions to this too. The monies raised will be split equally between Comic Relief and Dorchester Youth & Community Centre. I know that many of our pupils benefit from the facilities and support they are able to offer young people.

With two weeks to go to the Easter holidays, I am very much enjoying the longer days, we just need the weather to improve. The children are already asking when they will be able to play on the school field again at break and lunchtime!

I wish you a lovely weekend with family and friends,

Mrs L Staddon

Associate Headteacher

Year 7 Leader

Designated teacher for CIC and PLAC



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OSSIE'S OPPORTUNITIES—WEEK 18TH MARCH

	LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL 3.15pm - 4.15pm
M O N D A Y	<p>Zoneball – KS2 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>Zoneball – KS3 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>Spanish/French Homework – KS3- (VAT) - Rm 20</p> <p>MFL Speaking – KS3- (VAT) - Rm 20 – INVITE</p> <p>ONLY Culture Club – KS2 – JTA – Room 5</p> <p>Library Club – KS2 – Library</p> <p>Coding Club – Year 5 – LPI - ICT2</p>	<p>Art Club – KS3 – SST – Art Room</p> <p>Football – KS2 – DKI, CNI & WDA – Field</p> <p>Girls Football – KS3 - SDA Field</p> <p>Pickleball – KS3 – WDA - Sports Centre</p> <p>Concert Band – All years – GMI – Music Room</p> <p>HOMEWORK CLUB – ROOM 14 – INVITE ONLY</p>
T U E S D A Y	<p>Street Soccer – KS2 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>Street Soccer – KS3 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>Debate Club – Year 7 – STH – Room 13</p> <p>Library Club – KS2 – Library</p> <p>Comic Club – Yr5 – NJO – Room 6</p>	<p>Textiles Club - KS3 – SPA – DT room</p> <p>Ossie's Singers – All years – GMI – Music Room</p> <p>Hockey Club – All years – External Coach</p> <p>Netball – KS3 – JHA – Top Courts</p> <p>Football – KS3 – DKI – CANCELLED DUE TO FIXTURE</p> <p>Badminton – KS3 – WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>Yoga – All years – External Instructor – Drama Studio</p> <p>HOMEWORK CLUB – ROOM 14 – INVITE ONLY</p>
W E D S	<p>Basketball – KS2 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>Basketball – KS3 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>OCAG – KS3 – HMU, GOt, JAn, EWa, JCo – Rm 16</p> <p>12.30pm - Keyboard– KS2 – JCO – Ray Pontin</p>	<p>Dance – All years - HAD – Drama Studio</p> <p>Pickleball – KS2 – WDA – Sports Centre</p> <p>HOMEWORK CLUB – ROOM 14 – INVITE ONLY</p>
T H U R S	<p>Street Soccer – KS2 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>Girls Street Soccer – KS3 – DKI – Sports Hall</p> <p>Library Club – KS3 – Library</p> <p>Homeworking Lunch – KS2 – JTA – ICT2</p> <p>Comic Club – Yr5 – NJO – Room 6</p>	<p>Rock & Pop Band - GMI – Music Room</p> <p>Drama Club – CWA - All years – Drama Studio</p> <p>Netball – KS2 – ERE & JHA – Top Courts</p> <p>Rugby – KS2 – GBI – Field</p> <p>Girls Rugby – KS3 – DKI – Field</p> <p>Basketball – KS3 – DRO – CANCELLED</p> <p>Fencing – INVITE ONLY – Sports Centre</p> <p>***NEW*** Gardening Club – ALL YEARS - LPI - Rm3 – Sign up with Miss Pike prior to attending</p> <p>HOMEWORK CLUB – ROOM 14 – INVITE ONLY</p>
F R I	<p>Chaos Tag – KS2 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>Chaos Tag – KS3 – WDA – Sports Hall</p> <p>Library Club – KS2 - Library</p> <p>Library Club – KS3 – Library</p> <p>Karaoke Club – KS2 – JTA – Drama Studio</p>	<p>Badminton – INVITATION ONLY – WDA – Sports Centre</p>

Blue = Sports Clubs Purple = Performing Arts Orange = Homework clubs Green = All other clubs

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20th & 21st March—Year 7 Subject Parent/Teacher Consultations

23rd—30th March—Year 7 Scotland Trip

Thursday 21st March - Thursday 28th March—Pickleball Tournament

Wednesday 27th March—Performing Arts Showcase—Sports Centre, 5.30pm

Thursday 28th March—Last Day of Term

Friday 29th March—Friday 12th April—EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 15th April—Back to School

Wednesday 17th April—Bude Trip Parent Information Evening, 5pm

Tuesday 7th May—Rockley trip Parent Information Evening, 5pm

8th & 9th May— Year 5 Subject Parent/Teacher Consultations

Sunday 12th—Friday 17th May—year 7 Bude Trip

Monday 13th—Thursday 16th May—Year 6 SATS Week



PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT NEXT WEEK



Just the Two of Us returns! In the week leading up to Easter (Thursday 21st to Thursday 28th March) the PE department will be running a “Just the Two of Us” Pickleball competition. The idea is that a pupil identifies a member of staff they wish to participate with in a doubles pickleball tournament. Pickleball is a

fun sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis, and table tennis. It is played both indoors or outdoors on a badminton-sized court and a slightly modified tennis net. Players use solid paddles to hit the ball over a net. Locally and nationally, Pickleball is gathering popularity. It is taught in both the KS2 and KS3 curriculum and will be a great way to finish the term. The competition will be in support of Mosaic. Mosaic is a child-centred service offering a pathway of support for bereaved children, young people and their families. They offer support pre-bereavement, post bereavement and immediately following a bereavement.

Thursday 21st - Year 7 tournament - 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Friday 22nd - Year 8 tournament - 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Monday 25th - Year 5 tournament - 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Tuesday 26th - Year 6 tournament - 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Thursday 28th - Year group finals - lunchtimes



SUPPORTING THE MAGPIES

Dorchester Town Football club are offering all school children free advance tickets to their last home fixtures of the season, for the game AFC Totten, on Saturday 27th of April. Please access the club website and use the discount code SCHOOLS to zero out the under 12 and 12 to 16 prices.



FENCING

Year 7 students have enjoyed a term at fencing club, after school on a Thursday. After Easter, we will be offering it to KS2 students. Watch out for an email explaining how to express an interest.



KOOTH SUPPORT FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Kooth offers 24/7 instant access to anonymous and personalised mental health support to young people across the UK. In April, they are running webinars specifically to help parents and carers support children sitting exams. Click the links below to register your interest:

[Mon 22 Apr. 1-2pm](#)

[Thu 25 Apr. 6-7pm](#)

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Supporting the mental health of
children and young people in your
school community



SPRING SHOWCASE

St Osmund's School Performing **Arts Spring Showcase**



**Featuring Ossie's Singers, Concert Band, Rock
and Pop Bands, Staff Choir and Dance Group**

St Osmund's School Sports Hall

Wednesday 27th March 2024

6pm (doors at 5:30pm)

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

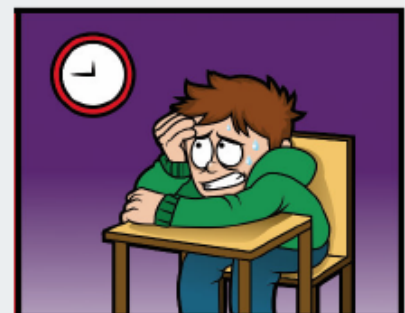
They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skipsed.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941

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WPA EASTER KIDS CLUB

2nd - 13th April

£27.50
per
session

To Book:

Use this QR code,
Visit our Website,
Facebook or
Instagram page for
the booking link



Times/Dates	Tues 2nd Sat 6th Weds 10th	Weds 3rd Sun 7th Thurs 11th	Thurs 4th Mon 8th Fri 12th	Fri 5th Tues 9th Sat 13th
AM 09.30 - 12.00	Kayaking	Climbing	Paddle Boarding	Kayaking
	Sailing	Mega SUP	Sailing	Raft Challenge
Lunch				
PM 13.00 - 15.30	Kayaking	Climbing	Paddle Boarding	Kayaking
	Sailing	Mega SUP	Sailing	Raft Challenge

**Join us this Easter holiday for
some outdoor adventure fun**

Lunchtime supervision available for £5 per child
Plus a 10% discount for 5+ sessions booked

**6-16
Yrs**



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Based @ WPNSA,
Portland



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WPA KAYAKING EASTER EGG HUNT



Fri 29th & Sat 30th March

2hr Time Slots:

10am
12 noon
2pm

To Book:

Use this QR code ->
Visit our Website,
Facebook or Instagram
pages for the link



**Join us for some Easter Fun on the
water there'll be an Easter treat for
each participant.**

**£45/
£55**
per
double
or triple
kayak

**For
Ages
6+**

One kayak
participant
must be
at least 12+



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**WEDNESDAY
3RD APRIL
2PM**

**ALL
WELCOME**

**JOIN OUR
EASTER
EGG
HUNT**

**ST MARY'S CHURCH
EDWARD ROAD, DORCHESTER**

dorchesterstmarys@gmail.com
Please let us know if you are coming

KICKBOXING CLASSES AT ST OSMUND'S

Kickboxing classes run every Thursday at St Osmund's Sports Centre.
5.15pm—5.45pm for beginners and 5.45pm—6.15pm for orange stripe and above.
Contact dorset@samuraikickboxing.com for more information.



FREE TRIAL KICKBOXING CLASS

Improve self-esteem, confidence, discipline & resilience

LITTLE SAMURAI

Age 4 - School Year 2

YOUNG SAMURAI

School Years 3 - 6

SAMURAI KICKBOXERS

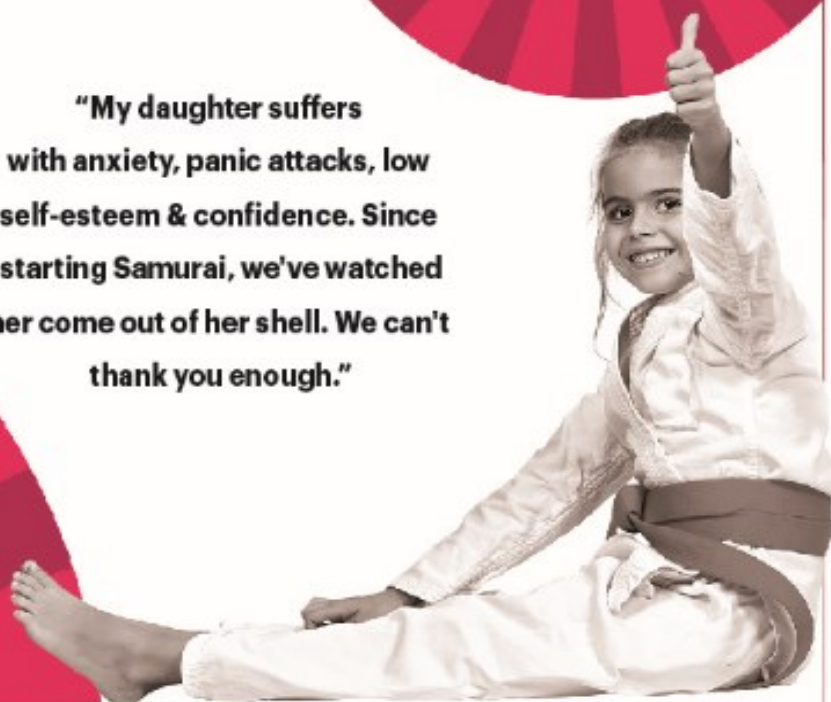
School Years 7+

Find a class near you



"My daughter suffers with anxiety, panic attacks, low self-esteem & confidence. Since starting Samurai, we've watched her come out of her shell. We can't thank you enough."

Gradings
Holiday Camps
Sparring
Tournaments
Samurai Elite
Birthday Parties



SCIENCE FAIR THIS SATURDAY

Science Fair

**Saturday
16th March
1 - 4pm**

Fun, free and a great educational afternoon for the whole family!

**ONCE AGAIN
...the amazing
'Science Dome'**

—
there is a small charge of £1 for entry into the dome



The Purbeck School Science Fair 2024

Free and no need to book, simply come along on the day!

"We had lots of hands-on fun and learned so much!"

All ages! Come and take part in an exciting range of free, inspiring scientific activities featuring:

The Etches Collection - as seen on TV!

ACS • Institute of Physics • BAE Systems • University of Southampton
Dorset Council • Urban Heaths Partnership • Institute of Biomedical Science
Dorset Wildlife Trust • Defence Battlelab • Royal Society of Biology
Yunex • CEFAS • Jomas Engineering • Lotek
Science Dome UK • Swanage Medical Practice • Model Railway
Stem Ambassador • National Trust • Lego • Critter Clan

Interactive workshops from our very own Science staff and students
Geology Rocks • Step into STEM • Making slime • Chemical reactions

ONCE AGAIN the amazing 'Science Dome'

Café open

serving Coffee, tea & cakes

Hot food - Pizza, burritos, sausage rolls

If you require further information please contact event coordinator
Maria Beale: mbeale@purbeck.dorset.sch.uk

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