



Sandford St. Martin's

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learn Love Laugh

"And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them together in perfect unity." *Colossians 3 v14*

Love

kindness → compassion
gentleness → humility
patience → forgiveness

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Newsletter 04 07/03/2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you for supporting your children with their WBD 'careers and aspirations' costumes. They all looked fabulous yesterday! I don't think anyone came dressed as a headteacher, but we won't go into that now 😊

We have a few events coming up before Easter so here's the 'quich view':

In collective worship over the next 4 weeks we will be exploring Lent, Palm Sunday, the Last Supper, Good Friday and then Easter Sunday.

Tuesday 11th March – Tueday 18th March the book fair is in school (every day after school)

Thursday 20th March – PTA charity quiz night (local defib fund) 7pm-9pm, school hall

Friday 21st March is Comic Relief's Red Nose Day – further info from School Council to follow, but this will be a non-uniform day for a charity donation (plus other fun and games).

Thursday 27th and Friday 28th March - PTA selling Mother's Day gifts in school

Friday 28th March is also PTA 'Break the rules (not the eggs)' chocloate donation day (for bunny bingo prizes)

Tuesday 1st April and Thursday 3rd April – parents evenings 3:30-6:00

Friday 4th April PTA bunny bingo after school (3pm-5pm)

With my best wishes,

Paul Beveridge
Headteacher

Attendance

Whole School

96.8%

Top 3 Classes

Beech 100%

Olive 100%

Acorns 99.1%

Friday 28th February 2025 – Thursday 6th March 2025

Tag Rugby Triumph!



What a fantastic performance from our tag rugby team before half-term! They played their hearts out in the tournament, competing in eight thrilling matches, winning seven, and narrowly losing just one.

Their incredible teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship saw them finish in a superb second place overall—an amazing achievement!

With dozens of tries scored and plenty of spectacular runs, the team showed true grit and enthusiasm from start to finish. We couldn't be prouder of their effort, teamwork, and the way they represented our school.

Well done, team—you were absolutely brilliant!  



A Special Visit from Author Jenny McLachlan!

Last Wednesday, we were incredibly lucky to welcome the brilliant author **Jenny McLachlan** to our school! Jenny, who writes the exciting *Roar* series (along with many other fantastic books), spent the day with us, sharing her journey as a writer and bringing her amazing characters to life.

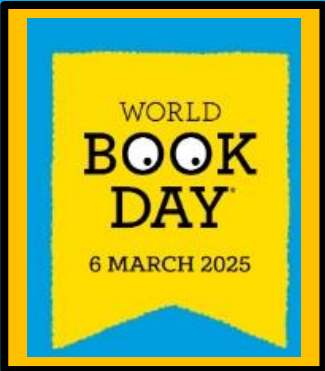
Every class had the chance to spend time with Jenny, and she had us all hooked with her funny and inspiring stories about how she became an author. She even gave us a sneak peek into the world of her books, sparking plenty of ideas and imagination along the way!

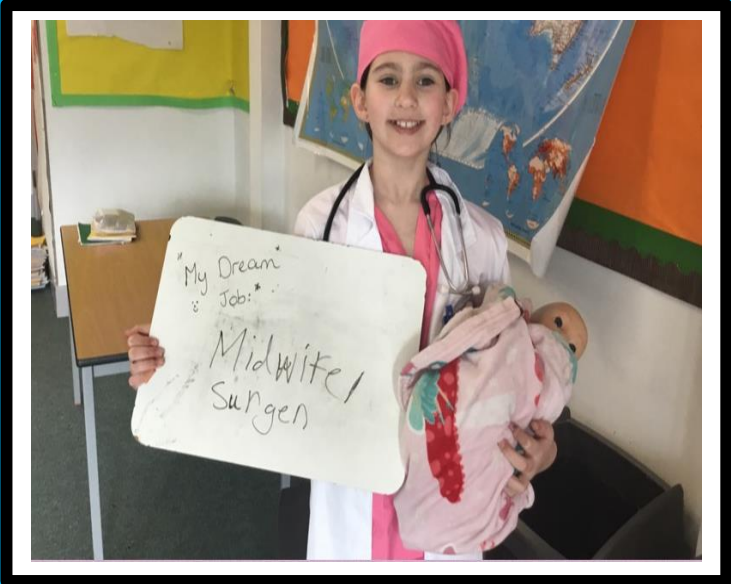
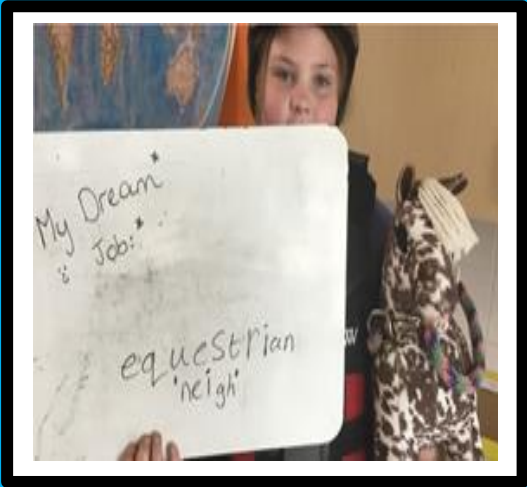
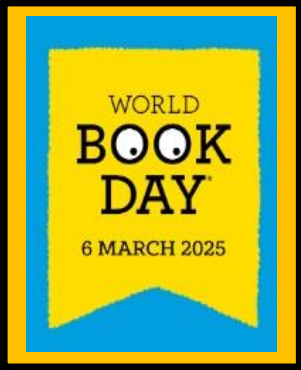
It was a truly **memorable** day, and we hope it has inspired lots of our young readers and writers to dream big and create their own stories.

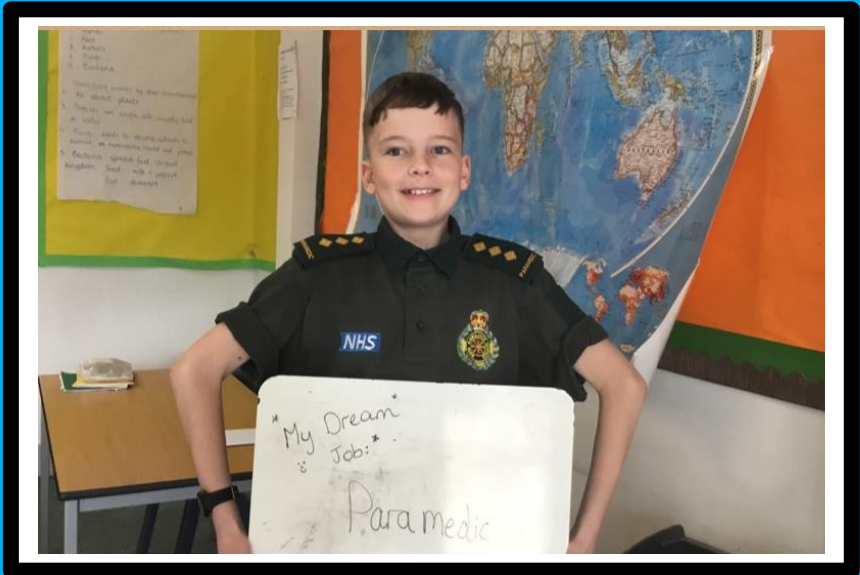
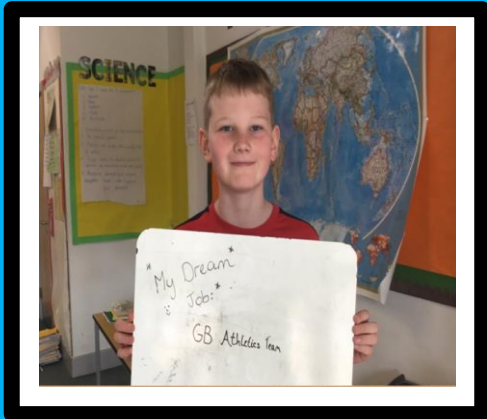
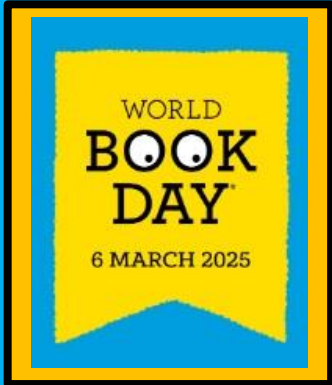
A huge **thank you** to Jenny McLachlan for visiting – we'll be talking about this day for a long time!





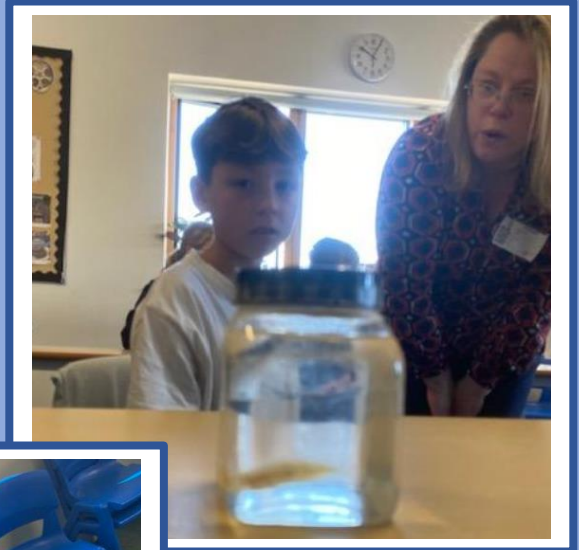








This week Year 5 were lucky enough to have a scientist from CEFAS come in to test different drinks and investigate how these affect our teeth. This was then linked to shell fish in the sea as these are similar to our teeth! It was a very interesting morning.



NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM WEBSITE LAUNCH

On the **11th** of February
we will launch our
NEW website.
The URL remains:
www.price-buckland.co.uk



Website QR code.
This will take you
to the homepage
to search for your
school



If you have ordered
from our website
before, go to the
Account Section and
re-set your password.
You can use the same
password that you
have currently.



You can then see
previous orders and
manage your
account.

Any Questions? Call us on 01159 640827



INTRODUCING THE WISE PAY APP

Organisation code is: 75817855

We can now confirm the new app for WisePay has been set up for our school and is ready to go!!

- The app can be found in both the Apple Store & Google Play.
- You will need the above organisation code in order to log in. You can also find this information on your WisePay account when you log in on a web browser.
- When logging in please ensure you are on a **secure Wi-Fi connection** as this can affect the loading of the app and its information (especially the menus).
- It can take time for each Tab to open. Depending on what device you are using may also affect this so **please do allow time** for them to load.

We are hoping that the new App will help with logging in issues as you should only need to login the once.

If you have any issues please contact the school office where we will be happy to help you.

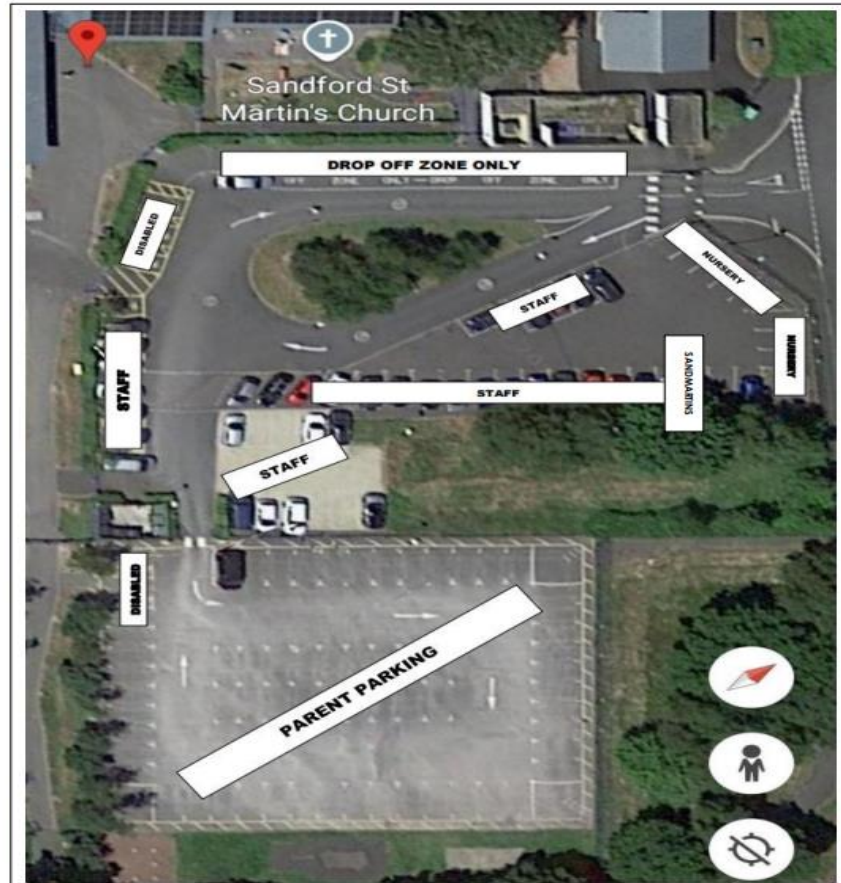
With Kind Regards
School Office Team

CAR PARK

Parents / Carers we please ask that you **ONLY** Park in the designated parking bays in the **Parent Carpark** as shown on the car park layout below and **NOT** in the Staff or Nursery parking bays.

Please **DO NOT** park in the **Drop Off Zone**, this is only to be used for dropping off your children.

The zebra crossing **must be kept clear at all times** and please **DO NOT** double park along the access road.



We have had numerous complaints about parking on the school grounds. Today a member of staff was verbally abused, this is not acceptable and will not be tolerated. Please do not use your mobile phones whilst driving around school, the law still applies within the school grounds.

Please can we ask that you only park in the Parent Car Park and not in the Staff or Nursery spaces as shown on the map above.

Please only use the **DROPP OFF BAY** if you are dropping your child/dren off, there should be **NO CARS PARKED IN THIS AREA** or left **UNATTENDED** at anytime.

Can we also ask that the approach road is **kept clear for 2 vehicles to pass each other** and that the **no one parks on the corner by the main entrance** as cars cannot pass and are having to reverse onto the zebra crossing which is going to cause a serious accident.

SAVE THE DATE

The background of the poster is a dark blue silhouette of a person wearing a white apron, holding a string of warm white lights. The scene is framed by yellow curtains on either side. The text is centered on the dark blue background.

QUIZ NIGHT

**THURSDAY 20TH MARCH
7-9PM IN THE SCHOOL
HALL**

Sign up in the School office

£3pp max of 6 in team

£10pp for quiz entry, food and soft drink [pre book only]

FISH AND CHIPS SUPPER AVAILABLE WITH PRE-ORDER,
£10 FOR EITHER SAUSAGE AND CHIPS OR FISH AND CHIPS, a soft
drink and your quiz entry

PAYABLE IN ADVANCE. SEE MRS BOLT OR SCHOOL OFFICE
BYOB AND / OR SOFT DRINKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE ON THE
EVENING. SNACKS TABLE ALSO AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE SNACKS
DURING THE EVENING. ALL CASH ONLY

Sandford St. Martins Primary School

Hop on over for our

EASTER

PTA Bunny Bingo

Join us on

Friday 4th April

3pm-5pm

for some egg-citing fun!

School Hall





SAVE 
the
DATE

SANDFORD ST. MARTINS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUMMER FAYRE

JUNE | 28 | 2025

TO BOOK A STALL CONTACT US ON
PTA@SANDFORDPRIMARY.DORSET.SCH.UK

10 Year Anniversary !!

Come & join us at this community fayre that will be part of our 10 Year Anniversary of Sandford Church & Sandford St. Martin's Primary School being built. Everyone is welcome. We will be looking for local musicians & dancers to come & be a part of this celebration event.

Please get in touch if you would like to be involved.

If you know anyone with a local business or you yourself would like to book a stall please email into the school PTA on PTA@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk

SCHOOL OFFICE REMINDERS

End of Day Pick Up

We only allow Y5 & Y6 children with express permission to walk to and from school without a responsible adult. Please do not ask these older children to pick up their younger siblings. Children in Y4 and younger should be collected by a responsible adult from the class door. This is an important part of our agreed safeguarding arrangements.

Absence Reporting

This is polite reminder that all absences from school MUST be reported to the school office by **9am** on each day of absence either via the absence line, phone or email, office@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk

Please make sure you child's name, class and the reason for absence is clearly stated

HOT SCHOOL LUNCHES

Hot School Lunches are now available to book via your child's Wisepay account.

The deadline for ordering hot lunches for week commencing 17th March is midnight on Tuesday 11th March.

Please DO NOT send your child to school without a booked hot lunch or a packed lunch from home.

Please remember we are a **"NUT FREE"** school.

School Vacancy

We are seeking to employ a bank Midday Supervisor (MDS) for cover in the event one of our current MDS are unavailable to work. If you are interested please email the school office office@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk

Our Safeguarding Team



Designated
Safeguarding Lead
Mrs. Pampin



Deputy
Safeguarding Lead
Mr. Sampson



Deputy
Safeguarding Lead
Mr. Beveridge

Dates for your Diary/Calendar

Mon 10th Mar
Tue 11th Mar

HOT LUNCH ORDERING DEADLINE FOR W/C 17TH MAR

Book Fayre - School Hall from 3pm

Book Fayre - School Hall from 3pm

Wed 12th Mar
Thu 13th Mar
Fri 14th Mar

Book Fayre - School Hall from 3pm

Book Fayre - School Hall from 3pm

Mon 17th Mar
Tue 18th Mar
Wed 19th Mar
Thu 20th Mar
Fri 21st Mar

Book Fayre - School Hall from 3pm

HOT LUNCH ORDERING DEADLINE FOR W/C 24TH MAR

PTA Quiz Night 7pm-9pm School Hall

Comic Relief Red Nose Day – Non School Uniform

Mon 24th Mar
Tue 25th Mar
Wed 26th Mar
Thu 27th Mar
Fri 28th Mar

HOT LUNCH ORDERING DEADLINE FOR W/C 31ST MAR

PTA Mother's Day sale

PTA Mother's Day sale

PTA "Break the Rules" (not the eggs)

Mon 31st Mar
Tue 1st Apr
Wed 2nd Apr
Thu 3rd Apr
Fri 4th Apr

Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm

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PTA Bunny Bingo 3pm-5pm School Hall

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 7th April – Friday 18th April

Bank Holiday 21st April School Closed

**FIRST DAY BACK
Tuesday 22nd April**

DORSET TENNIS ACADEMY



EASTER HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMPS



Mini Tennis for children 4-8 years old
Tennis for children 9-14 years old

TUESDAY 8TH APRIL
WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL
TUESDAY 15TH APRIL
WEDNESDAY 16TH APRIL

2 - 5pm

At Purbeck Sports Centre, Worgret Road, Wareham

What's on offer

- Great coaching from LTA qualified and accredited instructors
 - Fun games, competitions and prizes
 - Rackets provided if you don't have one
 - Indoor facilities in case of wet weather



What to wear/bring

- Sports kit, trainers/tennis shoes, a coat if wet
 - Snacks and drinks



SESSION(S)	PRICE
Single day session	£17.00
Both day sessions in a week	£33.00
All 4 sessions	£64.00

To book a place, please visit the Dorset Tennis Academy website using the following link or google 'Dorset Tennis Academy Holiday Camps':-

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Camps>

For more information, please contact Neil Darragh, DTA Manager/Head Coach on ndarraghtennis@gmail.com



Evening Dodgeball Clubs Sandford Primary Dodgeball Club

An action packed hour of fun & games every Thursday evening



Our Dodgeball club is something which is enjoyed by all, a fast moving, high involvement game which the children just cant get enough of. All session are game based where the children will be using their throwing skills to try to eliminate the opposing team, where agility, awareness are at the forefront went dodging incoming balls and bravery in taking a catch offers high team rewards.

Who will be Sandford's top dodger?

DODGEBALL CLUBS Dodgeball Club at Sandford Primary School

Starts Thursday 16th January
5:00-6:00pm
£5 per session

Scan the QR code to book



For more details please contact Ally on 07725135473
WWW.TEAMTHEMESPORTSCOACHING.CO.UK

FRIDAY FOOTBALL CLUB

Skills & Ball Techniques

Fun Games & Matches

£45 for 10 Weeks Coaching

DOWNLOAD THE CHAMPION APP TO BOOK

Google Play
 App Store

SCAN ME / SCAN ME TO BOOK

SCAN ME / SCAN ME TO BOOK

FIRST SESSION

Friday 17th January 2025
3.15pm - 4.15pm

LAST SESSION

Friday 26th March 2025
3.15pm - 4.15pm

SANDFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Football After-school Club - Term Time - Every Friday
All bookings via the Champion Player Pathway App
(Shorts / Football Boots / Drink required)

FINANCED BY SANDFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

PLEASE USE PLAYERS FULL NAME AS A REFERENCE

Account Name: Champion

Account Number: 92191158

For more information please contact us -
Tel: 07760618016 info@championfootballclub.com

LOTTERY FUNDED

REACH OUT FOR SUPPORT

MINDFUL MONDAYS

FUN, FRIENDLY GROUP WORKSHOPS

FREE

- 24/2 Healthy Friendships
- 3/3 Self Acceptance
- 10/3 Rejection Resilience
- 17/3 Bullying Prevention/Response
- 24/3 Group Led Open Topic Club Trip TBC

1:1 Available

Years 6-9 4pm-5:30pm
Years 9+ Please register your interest (light food provided)

Wareham Family Hub
01929 552 934
office@pycf.org.uk
pycf.co.uk
BH20 4PH

SEN Parent **SUPPORT** Group

Monday 31st March
12.00 - 1.00pm

Here at
Wareham Family Hub - PYCF Youth and Community Centre
Worgret Road, Wareham, BH20 4PH

Come and join a safe, non-judgemental space
Meet, share and get support from other SEN parents and carers.

Your children are very welcome too!

No need to book, just drop in.

If you have any questions, please call 01929 552 934 or email office@pycf.org.uk

WARM SPACE COFFEE MORNING

OPEN TO ALL

Come along and have an informal chat and a coffee with our Youth and Community Worker Mel and find out more about what our Family Hub has to offer

10.00 - 11.30
No booking required just drop in.

January

EVERY THURSDAY FROM 10.00AM AT WAREHAM FAMILY HUB, BEHIND PURBECK SCHOOL

Wareham Family Hub
01929 552 934
office@pycf.org.uk
pycf.co.uk
BH20 4PH

WAREHAM
Family Hub

Wareham family hub is run by Purbeck Youth & Community Foundation, it aims to bring and join up services for parents and carers in our local community & 0-25 years. Currently we run the following services in partnership with others in the hub and other venues North of Corfe Castle.

- YOUTH CLUBS in Wareham, Corfe Castle and Wool
- Planet Purbeck and PYCF Youth Group
- Not So Youth Group
- Outreach
- 1 to 1 mentoring for young people and families
- Group mentoring in schools
- Drop-in Club for young people aged 16-25 with SEN
- Gateway Club
- Job Club for 16-25 year olds with Dorset Council
- Relationship and sexual health advice for young people
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Holiday Activities
- 0-5 Stay n' Play toddler group
- Speech & Language
- Dorset Mind

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Charity Number: 1168537

Let's Go Wild



Welcome!

We're loving the winter - how about you?

Grab a coat & take a walk at dusk to soak up the stunning changing colours of our winter skies!

This Purbeck Goes Wild (PGW) newsletter is a community space for local families to discover what Purbeck's great outdoors has to offer

A key aim is to encourage you to sign up to our fun range of FREE or heavily discounted 'outdoorsy' family events created just for you - Purbeck families & young people

This time around we're looking back on some awesome autumn moments & ahead to a packed calendar of exciting opportunities for you to connect with nature this Feb & beyond

Read more on the PGW webpage
planetpurbeck.org/purbeckgoeswild

In this edition

- Autumn Recap
- Wild Wilkswood
- Young Birders Club
- Camera Corner (Lili, aged 8)
- Wylder App challenges
- Winter Events Calendar

FAMILY VOLUNTEERING DAYS IN FEB

Connecting Purbeck Kids with Purbeck Nature

1. Durlston Country Park @ Mon 17th
 2. Planet Purbeck @ Sun 23rd Feb
- PLUS loads of other Events & Challenges



Axe throwing legends @ Wilkswood Farm - Rob Nolan Photography

Autumn Recap

Purbeck Goes Wild - Autumn Adventures

PGW autumn events saw 150+ local kids & families discovering new corners of Purbeck, learning skills & having a blast. Whether it was bushcraft, guided fungi hunt, the energetic gorse cutting or epic adventure activities, the response has been amazing

Check out this season's calendar... What will you book first?

Launch of Free After-School Nature Club

The National Trust are hosting a free after-school Nature Club at Corfe Castle Primary School. Using tips, tricks & free resources from the Purbeck Heaths Nature Reserve (just up the road!) the kids are loving their time with Jill - exploring their forest school, surveying their school's wildlife & planning trips e.g. to Corfe Common

Recap that every school in Purbeck should have a nature club?

Be sure to let your school know if you're keen to make that a reality

Year 8 Goes Wild For Geography @ Studland

90 Purbeck School students braved the November chill for a Dorset Heathlands Partnership hosted trip. They explored rare heathlands & enthusiastically studied sand dunes. A beach run & trek to Old Harry Rocks **didn't slow them down at all...**

Back at school... They role-played a heath fire trial in a gripping Arson Courtroom Drama highlighting the importance of conservation

Families Rewarded With Hot Choc for Taking Action!

On a glorious November weekend, kids of all ages (& their adults) came together to form an elite gorse clearing crew. Their hard work helps boost habitats & reduce fire risks

3hrs of cutting, dragging & burning left them with big smiles & a massive sense of accomplishment :)

National Trust Launches Educational Course

The new Environmental Leadership course for yr 12/13 students in Purbeck includes hands-on projects like tracking pigs & tree planting. Course lead Jill calls it "a fantastic first," as it earns the students UCAS points & develops skills for a career pathway into conservation

One recent session included an impressive 100 trees planted in 40mins with farmer Jake Hancock at Middlebere

Wild Wilkswood Big Day Out = A BIG SUCCESS

Thanks to funding from Dorset National Landscape's **Young Explorers project**, Purbeck Youth & Community Foundation CREATED & HOSTED an epic sustainable event to raise climate crisis awareness for other groups of young people from across Purbeck! Those that jumped at the chance included the Planet Purbeck Youth Group, The Swanage School, a Duke of Edinburgh team & the excitable U13s Swanage boys footy team! This eclectic bunch of 35 young people (aged 11-15) got stuck into a fun-filled day of **welly wanging, wildlife walks & creative crafts by the fire**

Shout-outs to all the young people who made it amazing & for the support from the Wareham Area Men's Shed, The Salt Pig, Rob Nolan Photography & of course **Farmer Paul** x

What next? Want more events like this? Got something else in mind? Do tell...



BIRDS FREE Young Birders Club

POOLE HARBOUR

BoPH have just launched this free club in January with the aim of helping young people (13-18) to engage with the epic birds & other wildlife that call Purbeck home...

We're talking about **eagles, ospreys & more** - not just pigeons & seagulls!

Signing up takes a few seconds on the Young Birders section of the BoPH website
birdsofpooleharbour.co.uk

We've featured our March event @ Wild Woodbury in this season's PGW calendar ^^

Camera Corner

Spotted anything interesting on your adventures? Share with us at planetpurbeck@gmail.com

Tag your pics to feature!

Love takings pics? Upload your faves & tag **#PurbeckGoesWild** to share with the community & your chance to feature here...

Stag @ Bramble Bush Bay
Lili, aged 8, St Mary's, Swanage

Wylder App Activities

Scan QR code to download Wylder

We've teamed up with Kate @ Wylder to add **10 NEW winter challenges** exclusively for Purbeck families

PLUS we've added more secret spots for you to explore

To get your PGW access click 'Explore' at the bottom & scroll to find the 'Purbeck Goes Wild' snowflake & enter the code **'1401'** = Challenge ON!

Look out for the Wylder logo on our calendar for linked events

Let's Go Wild

Now check out the PGW **calendar** of events @ planetpurbeck.org & get signed up

There's: Scrub bashing & tree planting
Bushcraft skills & family sea safety
PLUS newts & bugs, a Rewilding Safari & **MORE...**

Purbeck Goes Wild newsletter brought to you by Planet Purbeck & the National Trust on behalf of the Purbeck Nature Network (30 organisations)

Want to contribute to our next edition?
Email: planetpurbeck@gmail.com

Connecting Purbeck Kids with Purbeck Nature

Winter/Spring Nature Events

All FREE
or heavily discounted



Event	Date	Time	Location	Detail	How to book
 Rewilding Safari & Bird Ringing Demo	Sat 15th Mar	8- 11am	Wild Woodbury Bere Regis BH20 7LH	FREE - Expert-led tour of a local rewilding project PLUS a bird ringing demo	Birds of Poole Harbour Website Must sign up to Young Birders (FREE)
 It's a Bug's Life	Sat 15th Mar	10am - 11.30am	Discovery Centre Knoll Beach Studland	FREE - Build a bug base! Will yours be a Bug hole-tel, a Bee & Bee or what about a mini Buckingham Palace?!	Email Jill... Jill.Bailey@nationaltrust.org.uk
 Spyway Sea Saunter	Thur 3rd Apr	4 - 5pm	Spyway Carpark Langton Matravers BH19 3HG	FREE - Top tips on Map reading & navigation skills to encourage discovery & boost your confidence to 'Go Wild'	Just turn up No booking needed
 Sea Safe Skills	Mon 14th Apr	10am - 11.30am	North Beach Swanage	Live by the sea but rarely dip a toe? Build your sea confidence with this lifeguard-led interactive session £3pp for Purbeck residents (Non-res = £15pp)	Land & Wave website (Scroll down)

Full Spring calendar coming soon...

W = Event linked to a Wylder App challenge

Events brought to you by Planet Purbeck & Partners on behalf of the Purbeck Nature Network

Full day
£36.00

Half day
£18.50
or free HAF

Easter Holiday Club & HAF

Outdoor activities, fun, excitement & warm lunch

APRIL 9th - 11th
FROM 9.00 to 13.00

& 14th - 18th
FROM 9.00 to 13.00
OR
FROM 9.00 to 17.00

at Cumulus Outdoors

Activities include:

Tag archery, tunnelling, Easter egg hunt, bushcraft & shelter building, Mini Olympics, pond dipping, minibeasting and many crafty Easter activities



For more information visit our website:
www.cumulusoutdoors.com

cumulus
 CHALLENGE AND ACHIEVE

Adults free
 Children £10.00

EASTER ACTIVITY TRAIL

21st APRIL 2025

Pre-booked activity slots:
 9.30-11.00 AM
 11.00-12.30 AM

Cumulus Outdoors Residential Centre
 Cobblers Lane, Swanage BH19 3PX

Follow the trail and take part in our activities to collect sweet treats: tag archery, air rifles / Nerf guns, axes, high or low ropes, Aeroball, tunnelling and woodland egg hunt.

Refreshments available!

www.cumulusoutdoors.com



FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTH

Suggested donation
£1

Indoor games
Outdoor games
Snacks & drinks

For young people in school years 6, 7 and 8
Fridays 6.30pm - 8pm

5 sessions until Easter!

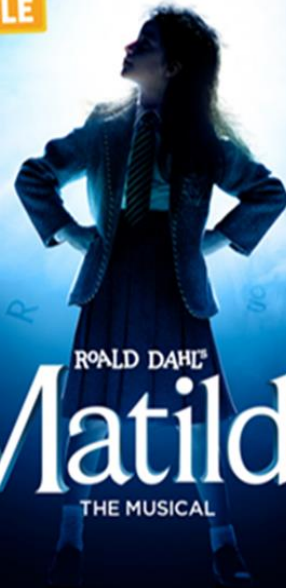
- 28th February
- 7th March
- 14th March
- 21st March
- 28th March

Sandford St Martin's Church & School

Email: fny.sandford@gmail.com



KidZ ASSEMBLE



ROALD DAHL'S Matilda THE MUSICAL

MUSICAL THEATRE CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-12

Weekly Classes Thursdays 4.30 - 5.30pm
St Peter's Church, Ashley Cross

Contact us to arrange a free trial at kidzassemble@outlook.com



JUNIOR BAKE OFF



JOIN THE CLASS OF 2025!

JUNIOR BAKE OFF

... IS LOOKING FOR BRILLIANT BAKERS, AGES 9-15 FOR THE NEXT NEW AND EXCITING SERIES!

APPLICATIONS CLOSE
SUNDAY 23RD MARCH

APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK



Interested bakers aged 9-15 years can apply online at www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk

Filming would take place from July 2025, but our applications close on **Sunday 23rd March 2025**