



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 01 26/09/2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter of this academic year. The school year has started well and I'm very pleased with how the children (and staff) have settled into their new classes. Silver Birch (SRP Hub with Dorset Council) is up and running very well to support a therapeutic approach and we have a new sensory room too. We are proud of our inclusive culture here at Sandford St Martin's.

Our new Saplings have been a delightful addition to our school and we love seeing them out and about looking for the bear who plays the piano! They have made a tremendous start with us.

We have already been able to offer all of Year 4 and Year 5 an overnight residential at Land and Wave, Swanage (last week) – not even quite 2 full weeks into the term! A great time was had by all, including beach activities and fun games. My huge thanks to the staff team who supported the children very well, including the unexpected 'night shift'!

Our school catering company (Educatering) has also been a big hit and the ingredients/recipes/meals are going well. We will be taking more feedback from children and parents as the term goes on – adjusting menus around likes, preferences and 'populars'! Please do support us by ordering a hot meal for Thursday 2nd October, as all our meals funding is based on uptake of hot meals on that day.

Many Thanks and best wishes.

Mr Paul Beveridge
Headteacher

Attendance

Whole School

94.1 %

Top 3 Classes

Ash 98.1%

Maple 97.9%

Beech 97.4%

Friday 19th September 2025 – Thursday 25th September 2025

EDUCATERING PRESENTS

CENSUS DAY

BRUNCH

**SAUSAGE, BACON, HASH
BROWN AND BEANS**

MARGHERITA PIZZA

WITH WEDGES AND SWEETCORN

**CHOCOLATE
BROWNIE**

 **Educatering**
The School Food Revolution

THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER

Please be aware that the school lunch menu is slightly altering on Thursday 2nd October for School Census Day.

If your child would either like a meal which you have not yet ordered or if you would like to make any alterations to your order already placed for this day, please let the office know before the afternoon of Monday 29th Sept. This is a meal worth ordering and uptake affects our whole school funding for the year!



If your child has signed up for a club(s) please be advised that
Lunchtime and Afterschool Clubs started this week

Monday 22nd September 25

You will have been notified via Class Dojo if your child
DID NOT GET A PLACE in a club

**We do still have spaces on some of our clubs, if your child is
interested please come and collect a Clubs form
from the school office.**

**AJM Sports, Dodgeball & Champions External Afterschool clubs
have already started.**

Should you wish to sign up to one of these external clubs you will need to
contact them direct.

SAPLINGS NEWS



Last week we had a very special visitor in class!
The bear from our story, The Bear and the Piano, turned up in
Saplings with his piano!

We had lots of fun with bear crafts, a bear tea party and we
even made our very own bear band! 🐻 🎹

Y4 & Y5 BIG CAMP OUT



Special thanks to the children for making everyone's hard work worthwhile, to all the adults who helped with making phone calls, packing bags, taking photos and filling in forms and especially to the amazing staff team who made this all possible.

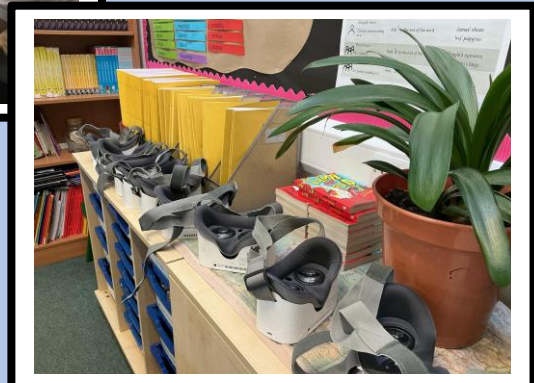
We really are so very lucky to have such a dedicated bunch.

We all had such a wonderful time.

Y3,Y4,Y5 VR SPARKS WORKSHOP

On Monday 22 September, pupils in Years 3, 4 and 5 took part in an exciting Spark VR workshop day. Using class sets of virtual-reality headsets, children were transported to immersive locations that brought our curriculum to life—think close-up encounters with landscapes, artefacts and environments that we could never visit in person!

Across the sessions, pupils practised careful observation, asked high-quality questions, and gathered vivid details to use back in class. Teachers noticed fantastic vocabulary and curiosity as children made links to recent learning and explained what they were seeing.



SANDFORD SPORTS KIT REMINDER



Please could we ask you to return any
Sandford Sports kit
you may still have at home from any of our sports events.

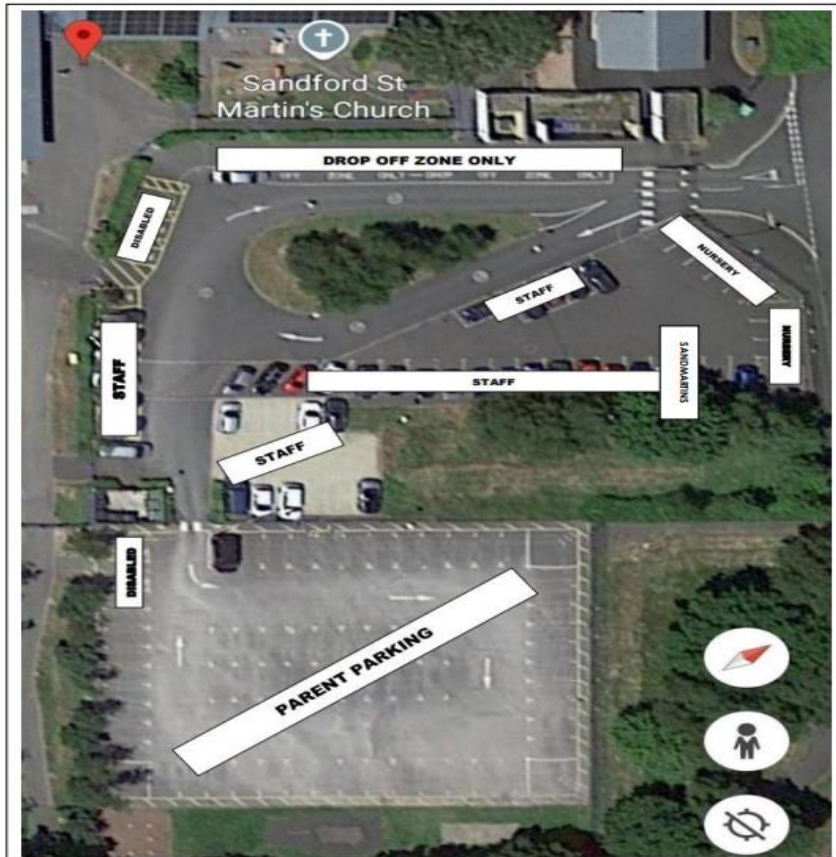
Thankyou

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.



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 **DROP 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.

NEW MENUS



There are lots of lovely new food options available for the children from our new catering company Edcatering.

Please take some time to have a look through our Menus.

If you would like to order a hot lunch for your child please log on to your Wisepay account.

HOT LUNCH ORDERING DEADLINE IS NOW MIDNIGHT ON A MONDAY FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK

If you have having problems logging in please contact the school office where we can try and help.

AUTUMN MENU

WEEK ONE

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

MAIN ONE

Pepperoni Pizza with Potato Balls and Fresh Chopped Salad

Chicken Fajita with Potato Wedges and Peas

Roast Devon Gammon with Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Fine Green Beans

Devon Beef Chilli with White and Wholegrain Rice and Coleslaw

Breaded Fish Cake with Chips and Baked Beans

MAIN TWO

Vegetable Lasagne with Homemade Tomato and Herb Focaccia and Fresh Chopped Salad

Macaroni Cheese with Peas

Vegetarian Toad in the Hole with Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Fine Green Beans

Cheesy Potato Pinwheel with Potato Wedges and Coleslaw

Cheese and Bean Pasty, Chips and Baked Beans

JACKET POTATO

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DAILY PASTA

Pasta with Tomato and Vegetable Sauce

Pasta with Pesto

Pasta with Tomato and Vegetable Sauce

Pasta with Cheese Sauce

Pasta with Tomato and Vegetable Sauce

DESSERT

Apple Cake

Fruit Jelly

Raspberry Ripple Shortbread

Melon and Orange Wedges

Strawberry Mousse

We are pleased to offer a variety of allergen free options on our food menu. Although all food is prepared in a kitchen that handles most allergens and therefore we cannot guarantee that cross contamination will never occur, we do take every possible precaution to prevent this from happening.



AUTUMN MENU

WEEK TWO

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

MAIN ONE

Devon Beef Burrito with Homemade Tomato and Herb Focaccia and Salad Sticks

Pork Sausage with Mash and Peas

Roast Turkey with Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage

Brunch: Devon Sausage and Bacon, Hash Brown Bites and Baked Beans

Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers with Chips and Peas

MAIN TWO

Margherita Pizza with Salad Sticks

Broccoli and Cauliflower Bake with Mash and Peas

Yorkshire Pudding Cottage Pie with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage

Vegetarian Brunch: Quorn Sausage, Hash Brown Bites, Baked Beans and Fresh Tomato

Bean and Mozzarella Quetadilla with Chips and Peas

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Pasta with Cheese Sauce

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DESSERT

Lemon Drizzle Cake

Pear Cake

Orange Cookie

Chocolate Muffin

Mousse with Fresh Banana Pieces

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WEEK THREE

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

MAIN ONE

Pork Burger and Ketchup with Sweetcorn and Fresh Chopped Salad

Chicken and Vegetable Casserole with Roasted New Potatoes and Peas

Devon Roast Pork with Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Fine Green Beans

Chicken Tikka Masala with White and Wholegrain Rice and Indian Salad

Breaded Fish with Chips and Beans

MAIN TWO

Vegetable Chow Mein with Sweetcorn and Fresh Chopped Salad

Margherita Pizza with Salad Sticks and Peas

Vegetarian Sausage Toad in the Hole with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Fine Green Beans

Tomato and Mozzarella Pasta with Garlic Focaccia and Indian Salad

Five Bean Enchilada with Chips and Beans

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Pasta with Cheese Sauce

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DESSERT

Chocolate Shortbread

Raspberry Muffin

Strawberry Jelly and fruit

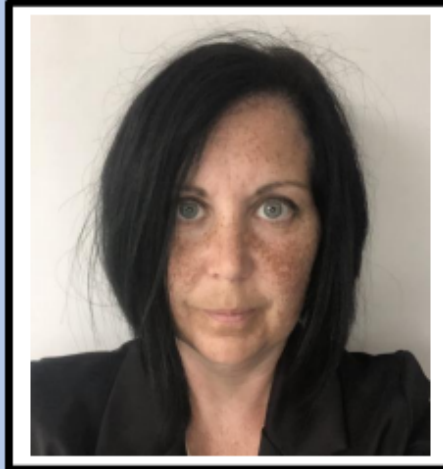
iced Bun

Mousse and Mandarins

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MEET THE GOVERNORS



Name: Donna Eite

Main career/background: Veterinary nurse but now a Housekeeper for holiday cottages and mum to 5 children.

Why are you/what made you apply to be a governor at Sandford St. Martin's? (include hopes and aspirations for the school):

I became a governor after talking with a fellow governor about the roles involved. I've been on other committees many years ago for a nursery in Winfrith so when we moved and my children started to attend Sandford St Martin I was very keen to find out more about the school and help them grow with pride.

Having 3 of my 5 children attend Sandford helped me see that becoming part of the governing board allowed me to give back the wonderful work the school have done for our family, showing support for the school and finding out how things work has helped me.

We are so very lucky to have a fantastic school and it's an honour to be able to offer support/advise and guidance in anyway I can.

What are your interests/hobbies/sports/favourite ice cream/chocolate bar?

I'm a busy mum not only to 5 children but also to a cockapoo named Chester who's 8, we love exploring new walks and areas together. I'm also a leader for our local scout group which is also a voluntary group and this allows me to work with some of the children that also attend the school.

I love spending time with my family and friends exploring new places and love to travel.

My favourite ice has to be Hagen das strawberries and cream. 😊

Do you need to apply for your child's new school place?

Is your child due to leave their current school in July 2026 and transfer to the next school in September 2026?



Secondary applications - Closing date 31 October 2025

- Primary - Secondary School
- Middle - Upper School

Primary applications - Closing date 15 January 2026

- Starting School
- Infant - Junior School
- First - Middle School

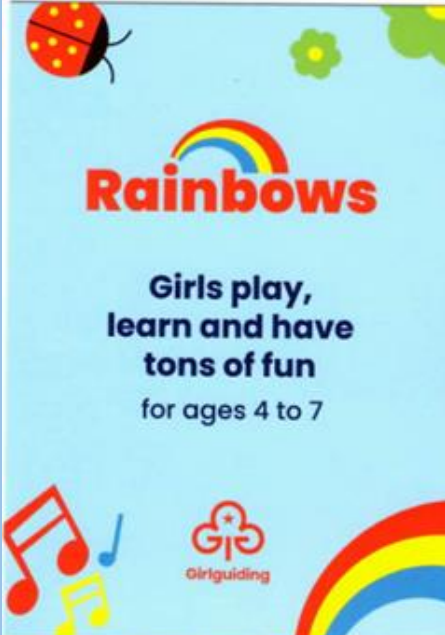


Dorset residents apply online at:
dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/apply-school-place
or call 01305 221060




Scan here






Rainbows

Girls play,
learn and have
tons of fun
for ages 4 to 7



**'Because of Rainbows
she's more confident,
speaks about her
feelings and can
express herself clearly'**
Rainbow parent



At Rainbows, we welcome all girls to play, learn and have fun in a creative, safe space. She'll choose her way through our programme of activities for all abilities.

From getting creative with crafts, learning through games and stories, exploring indoors and out, even going on her first sleepover! It's a wonderful world of adventure, week after week, just for her.

To find out more search Rainbows at girlguiding.org.uk

Registered charity number: 306016



**An invite for girls in Saplings and Year 1
to join the 1st Wareham Rainbows Group
Please get in touch if you would
like to join.**

PTA NEWS



GET INVOLVED

JOIN THE PTA

If you are interested in joining our School's PTA or helping in anyway please send Mel Bolt an email

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

SAFETY

Please can we ask that when dropping & collecting your child at school that they stay close with you at all times. We have been a few incidents where children have been hurt by other pupils or been injured on the play equipment. Please remember that children should not be on the play equipment before or after school.

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 Monday 6th October 25 is midnight on Monday 29th September 25.

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 FEE**" school.

Our Safeguarding Team



Designated
Safeguarding Lead
Mrs. Pampin



Deputy
Safeguarding Lead
Mr. Sampson



Deputy
Safeguarding Lead
Mr. Beveridge

Dates for your Diary/Calendar

Mon 29th Sept
Tue 30th Sept
Wed 1st Oct
Thu 2nd Oct
Fri 3rd Oct

HOT LUNCH ORDERING DEADLINE FOR W/C Monday 6th October

Mon 6th Oct
Tue 7th Oct
Wed 8th Oct
Thu 9th Oct
Fri 10th Oct

HOT LUNCH ORDERING DEADLINE FOR W/C Monday 13th October

Mon 13th Oct
Tue 14th Oct
Wed 15th Oct
Thu 16th Oct
Fri 17th Oct

HOT LUNCH ORDERING DEADLINE FOR W/C Monday 20th October
School Photos Individual & Siblings

Mon 20th Oct
Tue 21st Oct
Wed 22nd Oct
Thu 23rd Oct

Y6 OAK CLASS Nothe Fort Trip
Flu Immunisations
Y6 PINE CLASS Nothe Fort Trip

INSET DAY Friday 24th October School Closed

HALF TERM Monday 27th - Friday 31st October 25

FIRST DAY BACK Monday 3rd November 25

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

Friday 12th Sept
Friday 19th Sept
Friday 26th Sept
Friday 3rd Oct
Friday 10th Oct
Friday 17th Oct
Friday 24th Oct

Sandford St Martin's
Church & School

Email: fny.sandford@gmail.com



WHAT'S GOING ON



Artz+ Sportz+

Holiday programme for children aged
5-17 years who require additional support

October 2025 Half Term Fun



Enjoy swim and sensory
sessions, forest school fun,
drumming, crafts and spooky
season stories - plus LaserTag
for TEENZ - this October!



Photo credit: Jayne Jackson

Details of all our latest holiday activities on:
dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/sport-leisure/artz-sportz

Sign up to our mailing list:
leisure@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk

or follow us on [facebook](#)





4 weekly sessions from Friday 19th Sept
10-11am

A FREE, fun, hands-on course to help you to introduce solid foods to your baby



For babies 6 months old, ready to start weaning
Build your confidence
Reduces anxiety about feeding and cooking
Play with and explore new foods in a safe environment

@ Wareham Family Hub

Book via the Family hub.



SEED2PLATE
WAREHAM



A gardening & wellbeing project for young people aged 16-19 (19-24 if SEN or suffer with poor mental health)

The project will cover the following:

- how to plant, grow, care for and harvest fresh fruit and vegetables
- how to eat healthier
- using nature for positive mental health
- teamwork, confidence building and communication
- engaging with the community
- embedded volunteering and employment based skills



Where: Northmoor Allotments, off Northmoor Way, BH20 4EU

When: starting Thursday 9th October

Time: first session 10am-12.30pm

second session: 1.00pm-3.30pm

pop in at either session, or stay all day!

For more info:

email: lydia.harvey@dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk

tel: 01305 216411

mob: 07421 994591



Wareham SEN SUPPORT Group

Face to face support group for families with children who have neurodiverse needs – diagnosed or undiagnosed
In partnership with – NHS Public Health Nurse, DPCC and Dorset Council

What's on?

- Mon 29th Sept – Parent Support Group 11.30am-1pm
- Wed 29th Oct – SEN Sensory Stay n' Play – 10.30am-12.30pm (children aged 1-8yrs)
- Fri 7th Nov – Parent Support Group 11.30am-1pm
- Fri 5th Dec – Parent Support Group 11.30am-1pm
- Mon 22nd Dec – SEN Sensory Stay n' Play 10.30am-12.30pm (children aged 1-8yrs)

Parent Support Group – no need to book – FREE!

SEN Sensory Play sessions – FREE! siblings welcome! Please book by calling 01929 552 934 or emailing office@pycf.org.uk

where?



Wareham Family Hub PYCF (behind Purbeck School)
Worgret Road, Wareham, BH20 4PH



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

Thursdays 10.00am – 11.30am

No booking required just drop in.



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



WE'RE BACK FOR OUR 55TH SEASON OF MAKING MUSIC IN WESSEX!!



YOUTH MUSIC WESSEX - WHERE MUSICAL JOURNEYS BEGIN...

Orchestras, wind bands and ensembles, kindergarten, training, classes, lessons, mentoring, concerts, tours and more...

Beginners - Intermediates - Advanced

Brass for Newbies Taster Session
In association with the Robbie Bowering Brass Class at YMWes.
9am - 10.30am
18s and under: free

YMWES 2025-26

SEASON LAUNCH

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH

GAINSFORD THEATRE BUILDING, LYTCHETT MINSTER SCHOOL, POST GREEN ROAD, LYTCHETT MINSTER, POOLE. BH16 6JD



Beginners and Beyond Taster Recorder Session

From the tiny Soprano to the big big Bass, there's a whole family of recorders just waiting for you to discover at YMWes. Learn from the beginning or continue progression following school classes.

9am - 10.30am
18s and under - free

The Grand Wessex Open Orchestra Event

Orchestral taster session for all generations and playing levels. Dust off those instruments and come and join the symphony! Everyone welcome.

10.00am - 12.00pm
18s and under - free. Participating adults: £10

Youth Music Wessex CIC - where musical adventures begin
For further information on Youth Music Wessex activities please visit www.youthmusicwessex.org

Company no. 13626829 Registered: England & Wales
Address: Lytchett Minster School, Post Green Road, Lytchett Minster, Poole, Dorset. BH16 6JD Email: info@youthmusicwessex.org



KARATE SESSIONS



MONDAY Carey Hall, Wareham BH20 4BG

WEDNESDAY Edith Lyle Hall Poole BH15 1JF

THURSDAY Bournemouth School for Girls BH8 9UJ

SATURDAY Twin Sails School Poole BH15 4AX

FROM 4 YEARS
All abilities welcome



VICKY SHUREY 3RD DAN 07809 636845

Part of ISMAA: www.ismaakarate.co.uk



FRIDAY FOOTBALL CLUB



- Skills & Ball Techniques
 - Fun Games & Matches
- £54 for 12 Weeks Coaching

DOWNLOAD THE CHAMPION APP TO BOOK



FIRST SESSION

Friday 12th September 2025
3:15pm - 4:15pm

LAST SESSION

Friday 12th December 2025
3:15pm - 4:15pm

SANDFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Football Afterschool Club - Term Time - Every Friday
All bookings via the Champion Player Pathway App
Shin pads / Football Boots / Drink Required

PAYMENT BY BANK TRANSFER
PLEASE USE PLAYERS FULL NAME AS A REFERENCE
Account Name: Champion
Account Number: 82191154

For more information please contact us -
Tel: 07834 465566 info@championfootball.club

AJ M Sports Coaching

OCTOBER FOOTBALL CAMPS

Lots of football fun with tournaments, skill competitions and lots of prizes to be won
Camps are for 6-14 year olds and run by fully qualified coaches
Please bring packed lunch, appropriate clothing (Astros) and plenty to drink



WHERE: PURBECK SPORTS CENTRE

Tuesday 28th October

Thursday 30th October

DROP OFF AT 9AM
FINISHES AT 3PM

£25

To book on please call/text 07875108666

Don't forget to like our Facebook page for the latest information

Sandford Coffee Club

Keysworth Dr, Sandford,
Wareham BH20 7BD



A welcoming and friendly environment for adults to enjoy a stress free coffee whilst the kids play and make new friends



Open to all, every Wednesday 9am-12



You're Invited!

Stuck on what to feed the kids?

Want to save money?



Book onto **THE WELCOME TABLE!**

6.00pm THURSDAYS FROM 25TH September 2025

Enjoy a delicious 2-course meal, meet people and relax without worrying about the cost.

(No charge, pay what you can.)

Whether you come alone, bring your kids, or meet friends,

you're always welcome at the table.

At: Not Just Sundaes, South St Wareham, BH20 4LU

Booking Essential

Scan QR code to book

Find us on Facebook:

The Welcome Table at Not Just Sundaes

or phone 07921 648148



Wetside Activities

Intensive Swimming Lessons

Monday 27th - Thursday 30th October

9:00-9:30 - Early Steps 1

£25.80

Suitable for ages 3yrs +



Private Swimming Lessons

Monday 27th - Thursday 30th October

9:30-10:00 & 10:00-10:30

£20 for 1 person per session

£22 for 2 people per session

Suitable for ages 3yrs +



Dryside Activities

Junior Functional Training

Monday 27th & Thursday 30th October

16:30-17:15

£5.25

Suitable for ages 12-15 yrs



Football Fun Day

Tuesday 28th & Thursday 30th October

9:00-15:00 or 10:00-15:00

£25

Suitable for ages 6-14 yrs

Book directly with Aaron - 07875 108666



Tennis

Wednesday 29th October

14:00-17:00

£17.50

Suitable for ages 4-14yrs

Book directly with Neil Darragh ndarraghtennis@gmail.com



Spooktastic Dancetastic

Thursday 30th October

15:00-17:00

£15

Suitable for ages 5 yrs +

A fun filled dance session jam packed with choreographed dance moves and games with a spooky twist! Halloween costumes are welcomed but not essential.



Dryside Activities

Bouncy Castle Fun

Wednesday 29th October

9:30-10:30am - 3-7 years

10:45-11:45am - 8-12 years

£5 per person



Nerf Gun Fun

Thursday 30th October

11:15-12:15

£8.35

Suitable for ages 7-12yrs



Laser Tag

Thursday 30th October

10:00-11:00

£8.35

Suitable for ages 7-12yrs



Archery

Saturday 25th October

10:30-12:00

£14.55

Suitable for ages 8yrs+ including adults



Coach Tarbs



Tuesday 28th October

9:00-15:00

£30

(£25 for siblings or repeat booking)

6-13yrs

Book directly with Will coachtarbs@gmail.com