



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 06 17/12/2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I have been delighted and have felt 'treated' by all the festive happenings these past couple of weeks. I hope you have been able to enjoy at least one of our many Christmas events that the PTA, governors, staff and children have worked so hard on.

I must repeat my well done and thank yous to all the children from Saplings right through to Year 6 for their excellent singing and reading in the various shows/services. They really have brought the magic and tradition of Christmas to life in our hearts.

School starts back on Tuesday 6th January – *and with the new year will come a refreshed focus on uniform (inc nails and hair) and attendance as we seek to prepare children for their next stage of education. Watch this space for more.*

I wish you a happy and healthy break, a very merry Christmas and an extremely Happy New Year. Sending blessings of the season and best wishes to you all.

Many Thanks
Mr Beveridge

Attendance

Whole School

94.8%

Top 3 Classes

100% Hazel

98.7% Lilac

98.5% Beech

Thursday 11th December 25 – Wednesday 17th December 2025

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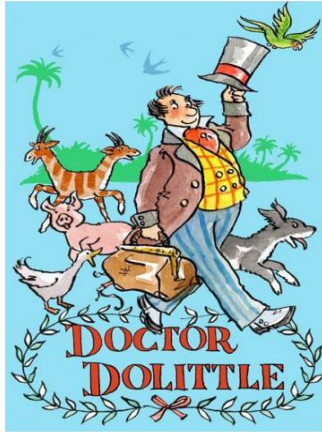
MUSICAL THEATRE

A Participation Musical for all the

This wonderful production is one of a series of a series of participation musicals created by Image Musical Theatre for children in primary schools.

The show itself is preceded by a rehearsal workshop for the whole audience in which some children are chosen to take part in the show while the rest are rehearsed into four chorus songs.

We have an excellent reputation for producing theatre that is stimulating and entertain-



On Tuesday 2nd December the children were invited to watch a performance of Dr Dolittle performed by the Image Musical Theatre paid for by the PTA.

“A BIG THANKYOU to our PTA”



Sandford St Martin's is proud to work in partnership with
Popupbookshop.net <https://popupbookshop.net/>



Every book you buy from Pop-Up Bookshop, £1 is donated to our school!

Check out our school page on their website and find:

- Information on our reading rewards scheme
- Links to purchase books
- Year group reading lists
- Book suggestions for reading across the curriculum
- Updates from our reading ambassadors
- News about upcoming book events at Sandford St Martin's

READING REWARDS!
SANDFORD ST MARTIN'S

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM
15% Off Voucher for Pop-Up Bookshop + exclusive Super Reader Sticker!	25% Off Voucher for Pop-Up Bookshop + exclusive Super Reader Sticker & Bookmark!	50% Off Voucher for Pop-Up Bookshop exclusive Super Reader Sticker & Medal!	£5 Book Voucher to spend at Pop-Up Bookshop!
Read: 50 times at home.	Read: 100 times at home.	Read: 150 times at home.	Read: 200 times at home.

IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS AROUND SCHOOL



Christmas Fayre





Christmas Lunch Fun



Christmas Cake Competition

A Massive thankyou to all of you that enteterd we had some amazing cakes & bakes.



**RUNNER UP
Adult Entry
Mrs Keen**



**WINNER
Adult Entry
Mrs Norton**



**WINNER
Children's entry
Willow**



**RUNNER UP
Children's
entry
Arabella**



SAPLINGS NEWS

“A Bundle of Joy”



**What a wonderful performance by our
stunning Saplings**

Y1 & Y2 NEWS

“A Christmas Cracker”



**What a Cracking performance
from Year 1 & Year 2**

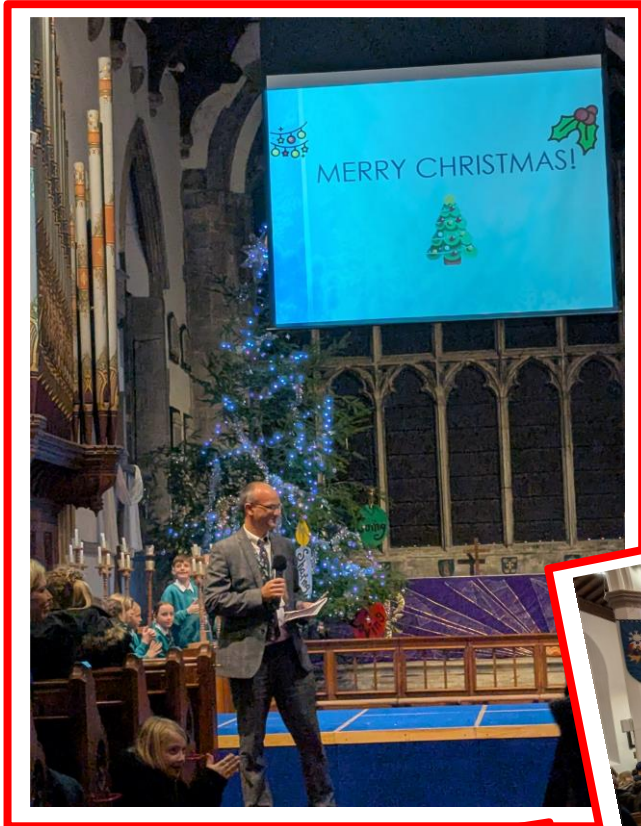
Y3 & Y4 NEWS

“Crafternoon & Carols”



Y5 & Y6 NEWS

***“Christmas Carol Service
at Lady St Mary’s Church Wareham”***



SPORTS NEWS

Year 6 played their first football match of the season at home against Stoborough. The score was 5-2 to Stoborough. Well done to everyone you all worked so hard



Football Development Festival

Some Y6 pupils attended a football festival at the Purbeck School last week.

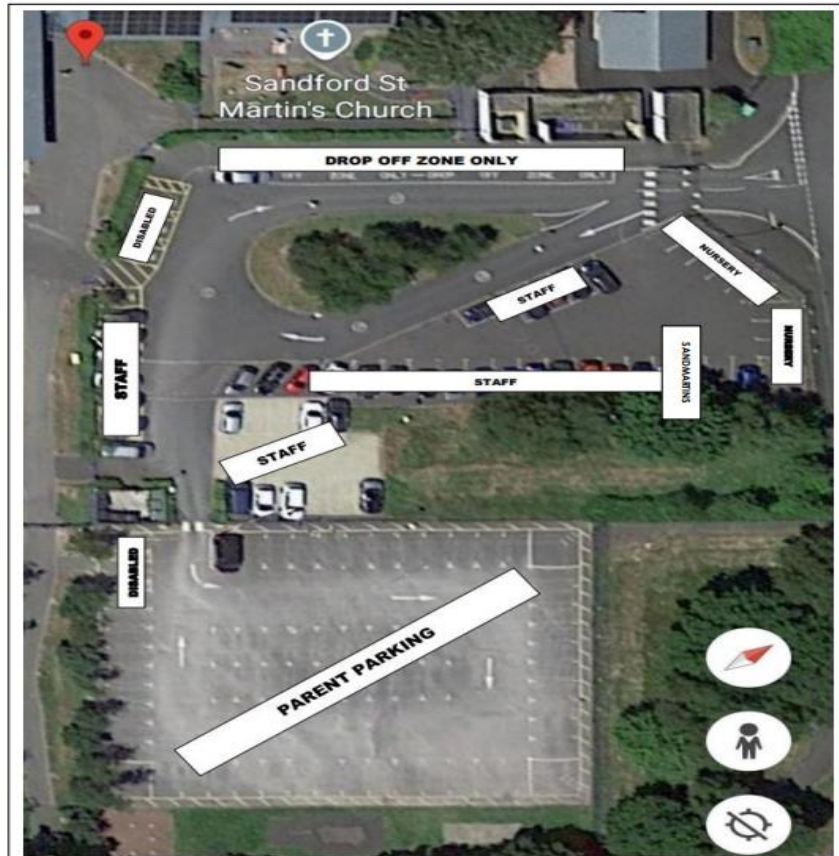


CAR PARK

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.



Dear Parents / Carers,

Our Stock Take is upon us again, which will involve a temporary 8-day closure of our warehouse. This process is not only a legal requirement but, by maintaining accurate stock figures, it also ensures we can provide accurate information to both schools and parents/carers.

Stock Take will take place from Thursday 4th to Friday 12th December 25.

During this period, we will continue to accept orders, but they will not be processed or dispatched until after the stock take is complete. If you'd like to place any orders in advance, feel free to do so and we will do our very best to dispatch them before the closure.

We will also be sending a notification to those parents and carers that use our online service.

Thank you for your support and understanding and if you have any queries please don't hesitate to get in touch."

Kind regards
Debbie

Debbie Daykin
Account Manager

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F: 0115 964 0769

www.price-buckland.co.uk



Good afternoon,

We are delighted to share that **Smile Dental Care in Swanage** is currently **welcoming new NHS child patients under 12.**


We understand that finding an NHS dentist for children can sometimes be a real challenge, and we're very pleased to be able to help make access to dental care a little easier for families in our community. This opportunity is being extended especially to families with children attending schools in Swanage and the surrounding areas.

At Smile Dental Care, our friendly and experienced dental team is passionate about helping children build positive experiences at the dentist. We believe that good oral health habits start early, and we aim to make every visit as comfortable, educational, and enjoyable as possible. From routine check-ups to preventive care and advice on brushing and diet, we're here to support children on their journey to a healthy smile.

Why register your child with an NHS dentist?

- Regular dental visits help spot and prevent tooth decay early.
- NHS dental care for children is **free of charge.**
- Provide tailored advice to help children develop lifelong healthy habits.
- Early registration ensures your child has access to ongoing care when needed.

If your child is not currently registered with a dentist, we encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

 **For further information or to register**, please contact the practice directly on **01929 427356**. Our team will be happy to answer any questions and help guide you through the simple registration process.

Kind Regards

*Practice Manager
Smile Dental Care Swanage*

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Cakey Friday

This year 2025/2026

Dates for your diary



Year 4 - Friday 9th January

Year 5 - Friday 6th February

Year 6 - Friday 6th March

Saplings - Friday 17th April

Please note, dates may change last minute at teachers discretion. If this happens, we will communicate the date change.

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.

**Hot lunches for the new Spring Term are now live!!
The deadline has now passed for the first week back but you are able to book for the 2nd week, the deadline for this is Monday 5th January.**

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

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL "Thursday 18th December"
SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30PM

INSET DAY - Friday 19th December School Closed

Christmas Holidays Monday 22nd December 25 - Friday 2nd January 26

INSET DAY - Monday 5th January 26 School Closed

FIRST DAY BACK Tuesday 6th January 26



Merry Christmas



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

7th November

14th November

21st November

28th November

5th December

12th December

No FNY on 19th December - Inset Day

Sandford St Martin's
Church & School



Email: fny.sandford@gmail.com

WHAT'S GOING ON

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.



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



Wareham Family Hub

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Thursday 18th December 2025

Sandmartins will be opening earlier on Thursday 18th December as Sandford St Martins Primary is closing at 1.30pm for the start of the Christmas Holidays

Afternoon Session

1.30pm to 6.00pm

£15.00

Tree & Table Decorations

Followed by

Hot Chocolate & nibbles

To book a place please email

val@vbowbanks.plus.com



Monday 5th January 2026

Sandmartins will be open from

7.30am to 5.30pm

Cost Full Day session £30.00

Half Day session £21.00

Button Bead



&

Feathers Day



To book a place please email

val@vbowbanks.plus.com



A J M
Sports Coaching

DECEMBER FOOTBALL CAMPS

Lots of football fun with tournaments, skill competitions and lots of prizes to be won

Camps are for 6-16 year olds and run by fully qualified coaches

Please bring packed lunch, appropriate clothing (Astros) and plenty to drink



WHERE: THE SWANAGE SCHOOL

Dates:

Monday 22nd December

Friday 2nd January

Monday 5th January

£15 if you book before Tuesday 9th December. Booking after that date will be £25

**DROP OFF AT 9AM
PICK UP AT 3PM**

To book on please call/text 07875108666

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

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Lots of football fun with tournaments, skill competitions and lots of prizes to be won

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WHERE: PURBECK SPORTS CENTRE

X-MAS FOOTBALL CAMP:

Tuesday 23rd December

£25

Christmas jumper (optinal) PRIZE for the best x-mas jumper

**DROP OFF AT 9AM
PICK UP AT 3PM**

To book on please call/text 07875108666

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We are delighted to invite you to a
**CHRISTMAS
 CAROL
 CELEBRATION**

Saturday, December 20th
 4pm
 Sandford St Martins Church
 Sandford Primary School



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

**Winter
 in Dorset**
FAMILY FUN CHRISTMAS PARTY
 22ND DECEMBER 2PM-6PM
 AT PYCF - WAREHAM FAMILY HUB
 WORGRET ROAD, WAREHAM BH20 4PH
 FREE FOR FAMILIES WITH A HAF CODE
 FEE PAYING - ADULTS FREE, UNDER 3 FREE, 3YEARS AND UP £5

2PM-3.30PM CHRISTMAS CRAFTS AND FACEPAINTING
 3.30PM-4.30PM TIME TO EAT PLUS A VISIT FROM FATHER
 CHRISTMAS
 4.30PM-6PM - FAMILY XMAS DISCO WITH GAMES
 CHRISTMAS DRESS OPTIONAL

BOOK VIA EMAIL: OFFICE@PYCF.ORG.UK OR CALL
 01929 552 934.

Registered charity: No 1168537 #HAF2025

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**SEN
 Play** **SENSORY
 Session!**

Monday 22nd December 10am-11.30am

Led by Play Therapist Lisa

For families with children of 1-8 years old with Special
 Educational Needs (diagnosed or undiagnosed)



- Sand trays
- Slime making
- Movement Games
- Marshmallow Building
- Stories
- Painting

£3 per family. Includes a snack
 Older siblings welcome



Find out more:
dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/winter-in-dorset

**Winter
 in Dorset**

Get ready for...
 Festive sessions and events such as sports, arts and crafts, cooking, live shows and much more.

Lots of exciting experiences to enjoy with friends and family.

'Tis the season for fun, food and festivities!
 With high quality, accessible and affordable holiday activities for children in Dorset

Tasty meals at activities and tips for how you can eat well from home.

All Winter in Dorset activities are free for children who are eligible for benefit based free school meals. Register for your Winter in Dorset passcode by visiting: dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/winter-in-dorset
 Contact us 01305 221157 or winterindorset@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk