



## **KEY DATES**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

Last Day of Term

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> May-Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May**

Half Term

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Jun**

INSET Day

**Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun**

First Day Back

**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun**

Peer Pod

**Thu 4<sup>th</sup> Jun**

Pop Up Book Fayre

**Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Jun**

Introduction of Open Classes

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Jun**

Peer Pod

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Jun**

Peer Pod

Class photos / Y6 Leavers

Photos

PTA Father's Day Sale

**Thu 18<sup>th</sup> Jun**

PTA Father's Day Sale

**Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Jun**

Peer Pod

**Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Celebrating 150 Years of  
Education in Sandford

**Sat 4<sup>th</sup> July**

Summer Fayre

**Wed 8<sup>th</sup> July**

Sports Day

**Sun 19<sup>th</sup> July**

Wareham Carnival

For our School Diary please follow  
the link below:

[Sandford St Martin's Primary  
School - School Diary](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe how quickly this half term has passed at Sandford St Martin's and how much we have all achieved together. From introducing the Daily Dance to Year 3 swimming lessons, from Saplings 'People who help us' day to Forest School sessions and from the PTA Fun session to the brilliant Reading Challenge! So much lovely learning has taken place and I wanted to thank the whole school community for making me feel so welcome!

It just leaves me to wish you all a wonderful half term in what promises to be a glorious week and **we look forward to seeing you all back at school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** as Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June in an INSET day for staff.

### **Introduction of FACE workshops**

As part of our mental health pathway and parental support, we are introducing Family Advice FACE workshops. FACE offers parents practical advice, information and support, across a wide range of topics, including supporting neuro-diverse children, understanding emotions and managing behaviour.

Go to [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk) or [click here](#)

We have written to families today with a unique code for Sandford St Martin's so that families can access FREE workshops on a range of topics and concerns that you may have as parents.

### **A HUGE Thankyou to our Wonderful PTA and Staff**

Yesterday, the sun shone and we had a fantastic fun session on the field with lots of children who enjoyed snacks and ice lollies to keep them cool. They played a range of games including giant sized chess and danced in bubbles! A huge thank you to our fantastic PTA who create these wonderful experiences and memories for our children. Thanks also to the staff who gave their time to attend and have fun in the sun!

I know that the PTA are always on the lookout for new members so please do get in touch with us if you would be able to support in any way.

Best Wishes  
Emma Roberts  
Headteacher



The children have been busy creating and making art work to be displayed at the

Purbeck Arts Week Festival.

If your child's artwork has been selected to be displayed, you will have received a letter informing you.

We are all incredibly impressed with the high level of art work and creative flair shown.

The exhibit will be displayed at

### **Rollington Barn**

from  
Saturday 23rd May  
to  
Sunday 7th June

Everyone is welcome to come down between these dates

**Purbeck Art Weeks Festival**  
23 May - 7 June

Wareham B3351 Studland/Ferry  
A351 CORFE A351 SWANAGE  
ROLLINGTON

Rollington Farm, Studland Road,  
Corfe Castle BH20 5JG

Flags and signs on the main road indicating the farm drive.

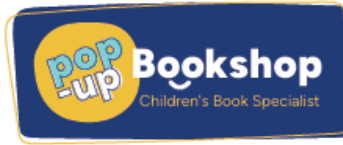
Ample parking on the drive leading to the barn.

Unisex/disabled toilets on site.

Directions:  
From Corfe Castle take the B3351 to Studland: first farm on right.  
From the ferry: through Studland, follow signs to Corfe Castle: 4 miles on left.

T: 07570 805603

Parking at Rollington is limited, so please car-share where possible



Dear Parent / Guardian,

We are very excited to be welcoming Pop-Up Bookshop to **Sandford St Martin's Primary School** to host an **after-school book fair**. Families have the chance to shop for books and **contribute to school book fundraising** - visit the Pop-Up Bookshop book fair straight after school to browse and buy from a wide selection of fiction, non-fiction, and activity books:

**Thursday 4th June**

**3.15pm - 4pm**

**Main Hall**

**Cash, Card & Contactless payments**

**National Book Tokens accepted**

**Reading Rewards vouchers accepted**

This book fair will provide an opportunity for families to **redeem prize discount vouchers** from our recent participation in the **10,000 Hours Of Fun Reading** challenge. **Reading Rewards vouchers** will also be accepted.



Pop-Up Bookshop is a local, independent, mobile bookshop. Choose from over **6,500** children's books on the Pop-Up Bookshop website - plus receive **free** home delivery to any BH postcode! **£1 is donated** to school for every book you buy at their **book fairs**, or **online** 365 days of the year! Contact Vanessa directly at the details below with any special book requests or for recommendations.

**Thank you for supporting school book fundraising!**

[www.popupbookshop.co.uk](http://www.popupbookshop.co.uk)



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# READ to the BEAT

## Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The Summer Reading Challenge, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a FREE, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme, **Read to the Beat**, and is powered by Universal Music Group UK. The Challenge will celebrate the joy of music and the power it has to move, inspire, and connect us – all through the magic of reading. The Challenge is being brought to life with illustrations by award-winning author and illustrator, Harry Woodgate.

### Why join?

- It's FREE! Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a lifelong love of reading
- Boosts confidence, creativity, and imagination
- Earn rewards, certificates, and prizes
- Fun for the whole family. Visit your local library together
- 95% of children said they read more after joining!
- Children choose their own books to read, collect rewards over the summer and receive a certificate or medal when they complete the challenge.



Visit your local library or go online at  
**[summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)**  
to get started from 4 July 2026.

**Help your child start their reading adventure today!**



# May 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**

Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Recordings available for 48 hours

School Anxiety	4 May 10am
Understanding Anger	4 May 7pm
Facing Defiance	5 May 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	5 May 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	11 May 10am
Anxiety Explained	11 May 7pm
Introduction to OCD	12 May 10am
What is ACT?	12 May 7pm
Decreasing Depression	18 May 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	18 May 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	19 May 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	19 May 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	25 May 10am
Improving Family Communication	25 May 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	26 May 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	26 May 7pm
<b>FREE Getting a Good Nights Sleep</b>	<b>28 May 7-8pm</b>

Further details on how to book have been sent out to parents via Wisepay

# SPORTS NEWS

This week children took part in a **Tennis Taster session**, with professional tennis coach, Neil Darragh from Dorset Tennis Academy, which is based at Purbeck Sports Centre in Wareham. To follow this up, he would like to invite them to a Starter course at Purbeck Sports Centre, where they would receive 7 or 8 fun packed lessons for just £42 or £48. You would also have the opportunity of buying your child a racket and ball set for just £4.99

## DORSET TENNIS ACADEMY



*In partnership with:-*



**Manager/Head Coach:**

Neil Darragh

Tel: 07788-973259

Email: [ndarraghtennis@gmail.com](mailto:ndarraghtennis@gmail.com)

Web: <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy>

Summer Term 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**SPECIAL OFFER FOR YOUR CHILD TO LEARN TO PLAY TENNIS – 7 OR 8 FUN COACHING SESSIONS FOR JUST £42 OR £48 AND A RACKET AND BALL SET FOR ONLY £4.99 FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE NEW TO TENNIS!**

Today at school, your child took part in a **Tennis Taster session**, where they had a go at one of Britain's most popular sports. To follow this up, I would like to offer them the opportunity of coming to a Starter course at Purbeck Sports Centre, where they would receive 7 or 8 fun packed lessons for the subsidised price of just £42 or £48. You will also have the opportunity of buying them a racket and ball set for just £4.99. Here are the details of the courses:-

Course	Day/Time	Age	Web link to book
LTA Youth Blue	Thursday 4.45-5.40pm	4-6	<a href="https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/90460f70-b7ed-42cc-8ab1-2b3c8ddc3274">https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/90460f70-b7ed-42cc-8ab1-2b3c8ddc3274</a>
LTA Youth Blue	Saturday 12.00-12.55pm	4-6	<a href="https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/1534ad4a-e96e-4600-94f2-3f2406b73475">https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/1534ad4a-e96e-4600-94f2-3f2406b73475</a>
LTA Youth Red	Thursday 4.45-5.40pm	6-7	<a href="https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/8e018dae-e6d5-4ffc-8d74-07c4f5d69d86">https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/8e018dae-e6d5-4ffc-8d74-07c4f5d69d86</a>
LTA Youth Red	Thursday 3.45-4.40pm	8-9	<a href="https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/c3ca2b0d-088b-4e62-b5dd-e5e9fd97e99a">https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/c3ca2b0d-088b-4e62-b5dd-e5e9fd97e99a</a>
LTA Youth Red	Saturday 12.00-12.55pm	6-8	<a href="https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/5a35006a-b734-4cf8-94d3-5946c9a8f1f9">https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/5a35006a-b734-4cf8-94d3-5946c9a8f1f9</a>
LTA Youth Orange	Thursday 3.45-4.40pm	9-11	<a href="https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/f83a5260-26a5-4845-9fb3-da26f6da156c">https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/f83a5260-26a5-4845-9fb3-da26f6da156c</a>
LTA Youth Orange	Saturday 12.00-12.55pm	9-11	<a href="https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/a4ae0e91-3dd5-4839-96ac-0dbf3692340b">https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/DorsetTennisAcademy/Coaching/Book/a4ae0e91-3dd5-4839-96ac-0dbf3692340b</a>

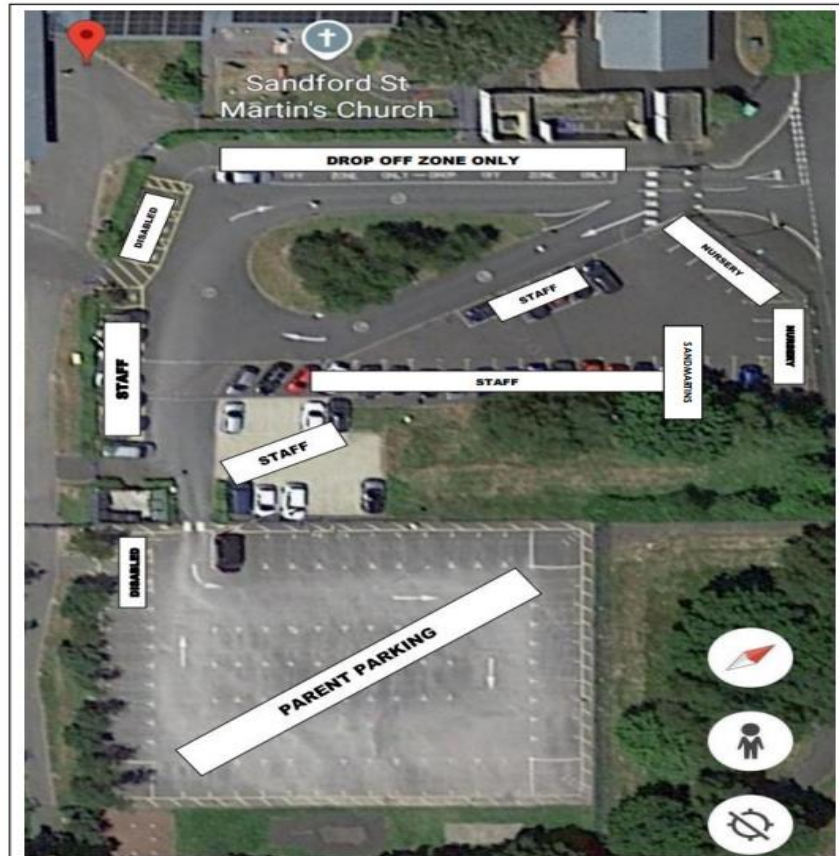


# CAR PARK

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.



## **Job Opportunity**

We are looking for a reliable, enthusiastic person to join our small team at Sandford Nursery, due to increasing numbers of children.

This role is part time, between the hours of 8.45-2.45pm and term time only so would fit around school hours.

You must love the outdoors, in all weathers!

A level 2 or above in childcare is desirable but a willingness to undertake a qualification will be considered.

Any questions, please ask.

For an application form please email [clairem.aitken@googlemail.com](mailto:clairem.aitken@googlemail.com)

Please click on the link below for more information:

<https://findajob.dwp.gov.uk/details/18226845?v=C6709A16597D92CE89CFA5F49E3A225039AEEF62>

# PTA NEWS

**WE NEED YOU!**

Parents • Carers • Grandparents

**JOIN OUR PTA EVENTS TEAM!**

**SCHOOL DISCO** ✓

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE** ✓ ✓

**SUMMER FAYRE** ✓

Could you spare just **15 minutes?**

Or more if you can!

**15 MINS!** **HELP OUT!** ✓

**SET UP & TIDY UP!** ✓

**EVERY LITTLE HELPS!** ✓

**INTERESTED? LET US KNOW!**

Leave your name at the school office or speak to an active PTA member

**OUR EVENTS CAN'T RUN WITHOUT YOU!**

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## SANDFORD ST MARTIN'S BIG SCHOOL CAMPOUT

### Hello Parents!

Fancy getting involved to help make this happen?



#### HOW YOU CAN HELP...

-  BBQ & Campfire
-  Organising games: football, rounders & big field games
-  Crafts or face painting
-  Bushcraft or camp craft activities
-  Leading a mini nature adventure
-  ....or maybe something I haven't thought of yet....?
-  General planning help always welcome too!

#### CAN YOU LEND ANY CAMPING KIT?

-  TENTS
-  SLEEPING BAGS
-  BBQS OR FIRE PITS
-  GAMES

★ ⇒ CALL/MESSAGE ROB FOR A QUICK CHAT ⇒ ★

⇒ FREE EVENT ⇒

 ON WHATSAPP: 07920 408836       EMAIL: robwplanetpurbeck@gmail.com

FRI 3<sup>RD</sup> 3:30PM - SUN 5<sup>TH</sup> 11AM JULY

# SANDFORD ST MARTIN'S BIG SCHOOL CAMPOUT

★ FREE EVENT ★

BRING YOUR OWN FOOD

★ DAY TICKETS AVAILABLE ★



## ON YOUR SCHOOL FIELD!



Campfire & 'Cooking Together' BIG BBQ!



School Fair!



Fancy dress outdoor disco



Stargazing



Camp games and mini nature adventures



## ➤ BEST OF ALL... ➤

Giving families time to slow down, relax and hang out together.

CAMPING KIT AVAILABLE TO BORROW!

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW

using eventbrite link below!



Sandford St. Martin's



PLANET PURBECK



<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1989015329393?aff=oddtcreator>



SANDFORD ST. MARTINS  
PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

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SUMMER

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150

YEARS

OF  
EDUCATION

IN SANDFORD

→ 1876 - 2026 ←

SATURDAY 4TH JULY  
12-3PM

DRESS UP!  
We'd love it if you'd like to dress up as our theme celebrating 150 years of education in Sandford - anything from any decade of the last 150 years!



STALLS



LIVE MUSIC AND DJ



BBQ



COLD FOOD, SNACKS, DRINKS



BAR



RAFFLE

AND MUCH MORE!



WE'D LOVE IT IF YOU'D LIKE TO DRESS UP AS OUR THEME OF CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF EDUCATION IN SANDFORD, SO ANYTHING FROM ANY DECADE OF THE LAST 150 YEARS!



SANDFORD ST. MARTINS PRIMARY SCHOOL

# WAREHAM CARNIVAL

FLOAT, COME JOIN IN

SUNDAY **19TH** JULY

BRING YOUR CUDDLY  
DINOSAURS, DRESS LIKE A DINO  
OR EXPLORER, TOY DINOS,  
WHATEVER YOU WANT, THAT  
GOES WITH THE THEME

We'd love for you to join us and take part,  
all welcome. More details to follow



# 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 &4 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 a 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](mailto:office@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk)

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

## ATTENDANCE

Whole School **94.1%**

Top 3 Classes **Beech 95.8%** **Acorns 95.7%** **Ash 95.2%**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026



## Our Safeguarding Team



Designated Safeguarding Lead  
Mrs Pampin



Deputy Safeguarding Lead  
Mr Sampson



Deputy Safeguarding Lead  
Mrs Roberts

## ELSA REMINDER

Please could we ask if you have borrowed any resources from ELSA / Mrs Lee that you kindly return them to the school office.  
Any books will have Mrs Lee's name inside them.  
We are also missing a Worry Monster.

## 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

All hot lunches will need to be booked by  
**MIDNIGHT** on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June  
for the week commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

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



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

This means no Nutella or any  
products containing nuts.

# 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<sup>th</sup> June  
12<sup>th</sup> June  
19<sup>th</sup> June  
26<sup>th</sup> June  
3<sup>th</sup> July  
10<sup>th</sup> July  
17<sup>th</sup> July

Sandford St Martin's  
Church & School

Email: [fny.sandford@gmail.com](mailto:fny.sandford@gmail.com)



WHAT'S  
GOING ON

## Year 5 Taster Sessions

The FNY Team are pleased to welcome Sandford St Martins Year 5s along to FNY in **June and July 2026**.

Please note that:

- FNY is a **'mobile phone free zone'**. Children can bring their phones, but they will be locked away for safekeeping during the session
- Children are expected to **respect the volunteers, each other and the equipment**
- Children should **bring emergency contact details** on the first visit and complete a registration form if they would like to come again

Sandford St Martin's  
Church & School  
Email: [fny.sandford@gmail.com](mailto:fny.sandford@gmail.com)



# Free community session: 'An Introduction to Autism'



## What is the session about?

The session was co-developed with parents of autistic children, a SENCo, Dorset Parent Carer Council and Specialist Teachers and Educational Psychologists from Dorset Council.

It will help you to:

- Understand what autism is and how it may impact young people and families
- Learn some practical strategies to support an autistic child/young person

Please note, this is a general information session, so we won't be able to discuss individual children or schools.

The session will be delivered by either an Educational Psychologist or a Specialist Teacher from Dorset Council

## Who can attend?

Anyone from the community, this could include people:

- with an autistic child
- with a child undergoing an assessment for autism
- who are interested in learning more about autism

## Where and when?

Purbeck Youth and Community Centre (PYCF) Wareham Family hub, Worget Road, BH20 4PH (behind The Purbeck School)

Tuesday 9th June 2026 at 10-11.30am

To Book a place, please click on this [Link](#) or scan the QR code below:

Purbeck - An Introduction to Autism - Community Training Session - Summer Term



***Please see flyer above about an autism information session for parents and carers being offered by Dorset Council. This is being offered free of charge to all parents/carers, not only those who have an autistic child.***

***If you would like to attend, please scan the QR code above to book your space.***

# May Half Term 2026



## Arts and sports events for Dorset children aged 5-17 who need additional support



### Forest Fun • Hairy Cow Cuddles & Craft Sensory Sessions • Hands-on History



View full programme or email [leisure@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:leisure@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk)  
[dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/sport-leisure/artz-sportz](http://dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/sport-leisure/artz-sportz)



# May Half Term Programme

MONDAY 25TH MAY - SUNDAY 31ST MAY 2026



## Wetside Activities

**Intensive Swimming Lessons**  
 Tuesday 26th May - Friday 29th May  
 8:45-9:15 - Early Steps 1  
 9:15-9:45 - Early Steps 1  
 £28.80  
 Suitable for ages 3yrs +

**Pool Inflatable Swim Sessions**  
 Tuesday 26th May - 13:30-14:30  
 Thursday 28th May - 13:30-14:30  
 Saturday 30th May - 14:45-15:45

**Fun and Floats**  
 Monday 25th May - 13:30-14:30  
 Wednesday 27th May - 13:30-14:30  
 Friday 29th May - 13:30-14:30

Normal pool admission fees apply

**Parent and Baby Swim & Splash**  
 Friday 29th May - 10:00-10:45

A fun and friendly session designed especially for little ones under 5. No booking required, normal pool admission fees apply. Under 3's swim free.



## Dryside Activities

### Dodgeball

Tuesday 26th May  
 10:30-11:30am  
 7-12 years  
 £8.80 per person **NEW!**

### Tennis

Tuesday 26th May  
 Wednesday 27th May  
 14:00-17:00 - 4-14yrs  
 £17.50  
 Book directly with Neil Darragh [ndarraghtennis@gmail.com](mailto:ndarraghtennis@gmail.com)

### Bouncy Castle Fun

Thursday 28th May  
 9:30-10:30am - 3-7 years  
 10:45-11:45am - 8-12 years  
 £5.25 per person

### Football Fun Day

Tuesday 26th May  
 Thursday 28th May  
 9:00-15:00 - 6-16 years  
 £25  
 Book directly with Aaron - 07875 108666

### Coach Tarbs

Wednesday 27th May  
 Friday 29th May  
 9:00-15:00 - 6-13 yrs  
 £30  
 Book directly with Will - [coachtarbs@gmail.com](mailto:coachtarbs@gmail.com)

### Laser Tag

Thursday 28th May  
 12:30-13:30  
 £8.80  
 Suitable for ages 7-12yrs

### Nerf Gun Fun

Thursday 28th May  
 13:45-14:45  
 £8.80  
 Suitable for ages 7-12yrs

### Junior Functional Training

Thursday 28th May  
 16:30-17:15  
 £5.60  
 Suitable for ages 12-15 yrs

### Archery

Saturday 30th May  
 10:30-12:00  
 £14.55  
 Suitable for ages 8yrs+ including adults

### Stay and Play Gymnastics

Wednesday 27th May  
 9:30-10:30  
 £7  
 Suitable for Confident walkers to 4yrs (pre-school children)



### Terms and Conditions

- Payment must be made at the time of booking.
- Sessions are subject to cancellation if minimum numbers are not met.
- Instructors subject to change based on availability.



Contact reception on 01929 500000

[sports.centre@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:sports.centre@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk)

### TICKETS



23 May - 7 June



## ADVENTURES WITH FLYING BEASTIES

CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP (AGED 4-8YRS) WITH NICK JUBBER

Wednesday 27 May | 10.30-11.30am | Wareham Family Hub

Tickets: £5 per child (aged 4-8 years), parents welcome to sit in

Calling all children who've ever dreamed of flying through the sky - on the back of a dragon, or a giant bird called a roc (which is so big, it's said it can carry an elephant in its talons), or the most beautiful bird in all fairy tales - the legendary firebird. In this interactive event, author Nicholas Jubber will guide the children through tales of flying beasts - and together we'll create our own new ones. After last year's successful 'Make Your Own Monster' workshop we're delighted that local writer Nicholas Jubber is back again with more monsters and magic!



For more detailed information on all our Events [www.purbeckartweeksfestival.co.uk](http://www.purbeckartweeksfestival.co.uk)



## DORSET TENNIS ACADEMY



### MAY HALF-TERM HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMPS



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

WEDNESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
 THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY

2 - 5pm

At Purbeck Sports Centre, Worgret Road, Wareham, BH20 4PH

#### What's on offer

- Great coaching from an LTA qualified and accredited instructor
- Fun games, competitions and prizes
- Rackets provided if you don't have one

#### What to wear/bring

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



SESSION(S)	PRICE
Single day	£17.50
Both days	£34.00

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](mailto:ndarraghtennis@gmail.com)

UK ACADEMIES  
OF GYMNASTICS

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for life



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you register your interest



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10am – 2pm

Only £25 per day

Pizza for Lunch (included in the price)

Medals for Everyone

Prizes for the Tournament

Winners

LYTCHETT MATRAVERS PRIMARY

Boys and Girls aged 4.5 – 9 years old

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Improve your Football Skills, Technique  
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## MAY 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 26<sup>th</sup> MAY

THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MAY

£25



STARTS AT 9AM  
FINISHES AT 3PM



To book on please call/text [07875108666](tel:07875108666)



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

# Spring & Summer Nature Calendar

Purbeck Goes Wild is for families living & working in the Purbeck area

FREE Events!



Event	Date	Time	Location	Info
Secrets of our Saxon Walls	Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> April	10am - 11:30am	St Martin's Church, Wareham	Join Heather for a history-soaked Wareham Walls wander while spotting wildlife along the way...
Pond Dipping Detectives	Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	10am - 12pm	Leeson House, Langton Matravers	Join Ella to discover the secret life of ponds & see what's lurking beneath the surface!
Pond Dipping Detectives	Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> April	10am - 12pm	Leeson House, Langton Matravers	Join Ella to discover the secret life of ponds & see what's lurking beneath the surface!
Foraging Treasure Hunt!	Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> April	10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm	Wilkswood Farm, Swanage	Join Jack, 'Purbeck's social media foraging sensation' for a tongue-tingling wild food treasure hunt!
Roar & Explore on the Jurassic Coast	Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> April	10am - 12pm	Knoll Beach, Studland	Join Jamie for a roarsome Dinosaur discovery, as we celebrate World Heritage Day. Dino fancy dress please!
Bats in Corfe Castle!	Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> April	7:30pm - 9:30pm	National Trust - Castle View, Welcome Centre	Join Tom for an dusk adventure - finding bats & creatures of the night around the castle!
Secret Woods & Dam Building	Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	2pm - 5pm	Wilkswood Farm, Swanage	Join Rob for bluebells, wildlife, secret streams, big trees, dam building, picnic & fun woodland games!
Farm Tour & Community Veg Patch Launch	Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> May	10am - 2pm	Salt Pig @ Putlake Langton Matravers	Join James & Becky for a behind the scenes farm tour & BBQ PLUS... get involved in your NEW Community Veg Patch!
Marshmallows, Campfire & Wildlife	Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> May	2pm - 5pm	Area F, Station Rd, Sandford BH16 6HY	Join Joel & Rob for marshmallows, campfire skills, wildlife spotting & fun games!

Epic Wildlife Safari & Picnic	Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> May	10am - 1pm	Wild Woodbury, Bere Regis	Join Ranger Daisy & Rob for a memorable safari at one of Dorset's biggest wildlife success stories. Come see what all the Fuss is about!
Purbeck's Flying Penguins	Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> May	10am - 12pm	Durleston Country Park, Swanage	Join Ranger Ross & discover 'Flying Penguins' PLUS... spot baby Guillemots on the clifftops
Blooming Brilliant Meadows & Games	Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> May	2pm - 5pm	Durleston Country Park, Swanage	Join Rob & Dave for wildflower meadows, butterflies, picnic, games & stunning coastal views!
Blooming Brilliant Meadows & Games	Thur 4 <sup>th</sup> June	4:30pm - 7pm	Durleston Country Park, Swanage	Join Rob & Owen for wildflower meadows, spotting wildlife at dusk, picnic, games & stunning coastal views!
Clifftop Puffin Peeking	Thur 18 <sup>th</sup> June	6pm - 8pm & 7pm - 9pm	Spyway car park, Langton Matravers	Join Tom & Alex to find our resident pairs of Purbeck puffins! (Book early - this had the biggest waiting list in 2025!)
Let's go Donkers for Beavers	Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> June	6:30pm - 9pm	Studland (exact location tbc)	Join eager beavers Gen & Rob at dusk for an special mission to seek out Purbeck's fascinating beavers
Picnic in the Castle	Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm - 8pm	The Square, Corfe Castle	Back by popular demand...! Bring your picnic dinner for an iconic evening in the castle

Ready to book?

Scan here!

Click HERE

Jump on our Eventbrite



Calendar brought to you by Planet Purbeck, on of behalf the Purbeck Nature Network

# Let's go wild



For 3-11  
9+ olds!

## In this edition

Purbeck Goes Wild events!

Spring nature to spot

FREE nature challenges for you & your family

Chapman's Pool ... A grand day out

Cabinet of curiosities in Purbeck

Planet Purbeck have been busy working with local organisations to bring together our **BIGGEST EVER** series of **FREE Purbeck Goes Wild** events for you and your family.

How can you stay up to date with all the latest info?

Join our **WhatsApp group**  
Message Rob to join: 07920 408836

Look out for **Newsletter** (termly)  
**Hand delivered at your school gates**

Follow **Planet Purbeck** on **FB & Eventbrite**

## NEW events: Beavers, Flying Penguins, Foraging

### Bats & a Farm Tour!



## Nature to notice this spring

### see me in April

Photo: Becky Eddy

**Wild garlic**  
Edible wild garlic has a very strong aroma and carpets the floor with their white flowers - find them at woodlands around Old Harry Rocks & Kingston

### Gorse

Tune your eyes into the yellow & your noses into the smell of coconut in the sunshine. Quietly watch these prickly shrubs - they are a hive of activity for birds - shelter, nests & food

### Hares

Photo: Mike Wetherham

Watch the annual display of boxing hares each spring during mating season. Look out for them in fields across Worth Matravers - early mornings or at dusk on clear days are best

### Caterpillars!

Photo: Andy Probert/BSBY

These strange cobwebs are actually bundles of caterpillars. But look from a distance - their hairs can cause our skin irritation. Try spotting them around headlands between St Aldhelm's Head & Winspit

### see me in April-May

Photo: Ben Cooke

Explore woodlands around Durlston, Corte Common (pictured above), Langton Matravers, Kingston & Wareham for blankets of bluebells

Spotted anything interesting on your adventures? Share with us at [purbeck@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:purbeck@nationaltrust.org.uk)

## Get ready for a real adventure on your doorstep...

Photos: Alex Brocklesby

### Chapman's Pool

Chapman's Pool - One of those magical places that makes you feel like you've stepped into a storybook. A day filled with surprises! Sweeping coastal views from the cliff top, clambering down a rope to reach the hidden cove (there is an alternative path avoiding the rope), fossil hunting on the beach and even a driftwood swing perfect for a family photo. When the spring sunshine arrives and the ground finally starts to dry, it's the ideal time to visit. Start your journey from Worth Matravers car park then head over fields from Weston.

A few things to keep in mind:  
This is a proper outdoorsy adventure - no toilets, no café, no bins, and likely very little phone signal. Pack snacks, bring water, and leave nothing but footprints behind.

## Cabinets of curiosities

Come & explore for FREE!

### Fossil Museum

@ The Square & Compass pub

Kimmeridge's Fine Family Foundation Wild Seas Centre - open everyday 10-4pm until October

### Langton Matraver's Museum

Open April - Sept  
Tues - Sat. 10am-12pm & 2pm-4pm  
Telling the story of Purbeck's stone and geological history

### Swanage's The Ocean Studio.

Daisy Mays shopping arcade,  
Kings Road East  
Open Saturdays 12-3

## Download the Wylder App for the spring & summer challenges

### Purbeck Goes Wild Challenges

Are you looking for new ways to explore Purbeck with your family?

Take on the Purbeck Goes Wild challenges with Wylder, the app which turns tech into a tool to decrease screen-time and increase nature connection!

Choose Your Challenge!

Scan the QR codes to learn more and start your challenge.

## News corner

This newsletter has been printed thanks to the support of players of the People Postcode Lottery

It's official - **Purbeck Goes Wild is award winning!** Land & Wave won one of the six Outdoor Recreation Network Awards in 2025.

The **Big Purbeck Campout** being the winner of 'maximising impact with limited resources'

A piece of hull from the 400 year old **Fame from Hoorn** ship, shipwrecked in Studland Bay back in 1631 was recently exposed by winter storms! Here are members of the Landscape Leaders youth group helping to excavate it!

View from West Hill over the castle & common

Pug hotels made at the Fab youth volunteering group

Moooove out the way, near West Hill

Lambs near Chapman's Pool

Studland woods Old Harry Rocks

Photo corner...

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## MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS



HELD AT:

### LYTCHETT MINSTER SPORTS CENTRE

#### FOOTBALL CAMP

HELD AT:

Lytchett Minster Sports Centre  
Post Green Road  
Lytchett Minster  
Poole  
BH16 6JD

DATES:

Tuesday 26th May  
Wednesday 27th May  
Thursday 28th May

TIMES:

08:00-12:00 / 13:00-17:00 / 09:00-15:00  
Early drop off (AM) and Late pick up (PM) available

COST:

£24 per child  
1 x Sibling 25% off

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Tue BASKETBALL | DODGEBALL

Wed CRICKET | TENNIS

Thu BADMINTON | FOOTBALL

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**STARS**  
HOLIDAY CLUB



## SUMMER SPECTACULAR

THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY - FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

\*LIMITED FREE HAF SPACES AVAILABLE\*

A multi-activity holiday club for children aged 4-13 with activities such as: Football, Dance, Gymnastics, Inflatable Fun, Dodgeball, Arts & Crafts, Nerf Wars, Tennis, Cricket and many more!

PAID SPACES  
JUST £20  
PER DAY

08:00 - 16:00 DAILY

#### 4 CONVENIENT VENUES



Kingsleigh Primary School  
BH10 5HT



Bayside Academy  
BH16 5AH



Lytchett Matravers Primary School  
BH16 6DY



Swanage Primary School  
BH19 2EY

#### DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

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- ★ 25% Lytchett Pupil Discount
- ★ 25% Swanage Primary Discount
- ★ 25% Bayside Pupil Discount



Book via Class Manager  
or contact:

[kirsty@starscorporateltd.co.uk](mailto:kirsty@starscorporateltd.co.uk)



**STARS**  
HOLIDAY CLUB

## MAY HALF TERM ACTIVITY TIMETABLE



### WEEK 1

Summer Kick Off

- Football
- Just Dance
- Inflatable Fun
- Arts n' Crafts
- Playground Games
- Team Challenges



### WEEK 2

Sports Mania

- Dodgeball
- Basketball
- Relay Fun
- Tennis
- Music & Dance Games
- Sports Based Games



### WEEK 3

Action & Adventure

- Gymnastics
- Football Matches
- Inflatable Fun
- Team Challenges
- Talent Show Activities
- Arts n' Crafts



### WEEK 4

Fun & Fitness Week

- Just Dance
- Relay Races
- Dodgeball
- Tennis
- Basketball
- Obstacle Challenges



### WEEK 5

Ultimate Sports Week

- Football Tournament
- Rounders
- Team Games
- Inflatable Fun
- Sports Challenges
- Playground Fun



### WEEK 6

Summer Celebration Week

- Just Dance Party
- Gymnastics
- Relay Fun
- Arts n' Crafts
- Team Challenges
- End of Summer Fun & Games



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SATURDAY 8 JUNE 2026 • 11AM-4PM

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ACTIVITIES FOR ALL THE FAMILY  
CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT  
BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS  
LIVE MUSIC - BBQ - BAR



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