



WEEKLY

Week 1 – 5th September

newsletter

Welcome back!

Welcome back! It has been truly wonderful to see the children return to school this week, full of energy and excitement for the year ahead. The classrooms and playgrounds are once again alive with curiosity, laughter, and a love of learning.

Our staff have been delighted to welcome the children back, and it's clear that they are eager to settle into routines, embrace new challenges, and continue their learning journeys. We look forward to working in close partnership with you to ensure every child has a happy, successful, and fulfilling year.

Thank you, as always, for your support. Together, we can make this term a positive and memorable one for all.

With warm regards,

Amy Hughes (Headteacher)

New Vision and Values

We are really delighted to share with you our new school vision and values, created after consulting with children, families, staff and governors. Together, we have shaped a vision that reflects who we are as a community and what we aspire to achieve for every child.

*At Bitterne Manor Primary School, our family nurtures potential by building **Brave hearts**, **Motivated minds**, **Proud voices** and **Supportive connections**, turning curiosity into lifelong discovery.*

These values will guide our teaching, learning and relationships every day



Introducing...

A huge welcome to our talented new team members – Jess Williams, teacher in Swifts, Ellie Smith, teacher in Kingfishers, and Natalia Kasperek, teaching assistant in Kingfishers! They are already proving to be wonderfully child-centred, bringing great energy, care, and creativity to our school community.



Safeguarding Team

Our safeguarding team—Miss Hughes, Mrs Abbott and Mrs Southwick—are always here to help, so please come and see us if you need any support.





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Uniform Reminders

We kindly remind all parents that children are expected to wear the correct school uniform each day. Wearing our uniform helps build a sense of pride, unity, and belonging in our school community. Children need a white top, grey/black trousers and a green jumper/cardigan.



PE Days

Mondays – Kestrels
Tuesday – Kingfishers
Wednesday - Jays / Robins
Thursdays – Owls / Swifts
Fridays - Skylarks



Daily Routine

We are excited to introduce a new daily routine designed to give children a calm and purposeful start to the day, and making it easier for parents to join us for Golden Book celebrations. Lessons will then run as usual, and each day will finish with story time at 3:00pm, providing a relaxed and enjoyable end to learning. We believe these changes will make the school day even more positive and rewarding for everyone.

8:30 Soft start and registers
8:45-8:55 Assembly
9:00 Lesson 1
10:00 Lesson 2
10:45 Playtime
11:00 Lesson 3
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Lesson 4
2:00 Lesson 5
3:00 Story Time

Wraparound Care

Our wraparound care started this week. Premier Education are running this from 7:30am to 8:30am and from 3:20pm to 6:00pm. Please go to their website for more information <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/22376/?location=so18&distance=1.7&distance=1.7>



Upcoming Dates

- 3rd September – INSET Day
- **4th September – First day of term for children.** Kingfishers Group A am / Group B pm
- 5th September - Kingfishers Group B am / Group A pm
- 8th September – Kingfishers Group A Day
- 8th September – 3:30 Meet the Year 6 Teacher
- 9th September – Kingfishers Group B Day
- 9th September – 3:30 Meet the Year 4 Teacher
- 10th September – All Kingfishers start
- 10th September – 3:30 Meet the Year 5 Teacher
- 15th September – 3:30 Meet the Year 3 Teacher
- 16th September – 3:30 Meet the Year 2 Teacher
- 17th September – 3:30 Meet the Year 1 Teacher
- 8th October – Book Fair
- 20th October – Year 6 to Osmington Bay
- **25th October – Half Term**

