



Headteacher:
Mr Wheeler

"Shine like stars in the sky as you hold on to the word of life"
(Philippians 2:15)

Friday 7th July
2023



Good afternoon all,

We've had another awesome few weeks packed with achievements and progress. It has been such a positive year in terms of progress which have been highlighted by the recent assessments. This week I have also had the pleasure of reading and adding to all of the pupils' end of year reports which I hope you find informative. Reading them has made me feel so much pride in both the children and the staff who have worked so incredibly hard to make the children's educational experiences so positive. On **Thursday 13th July** we will be hosting an **open evening 3:30-5pm** so that you can come in for an informal chat with teachers to discuss your child(ren)'s year and the content of those reports if you have any queries.

I've got to talk to you about the Strawberry Fair though! What a wonderful afternoon full of smiles and, reasonably well controlled, madness. Despite the weather being less than ideal, it was a roaring success that put smiles on faces and plenty of treats into the stomachs of all who attended. The atmosphere out there was just perfect and we have reflected as a staff this week on just how lucky to be at the heart of our community. There are so many people to thank for their contributions: whether they volunteered their time, produce or prizes we are enormously grateful. I must also of course thank all of those who attended to make the event so fun and put their money into the pot for a great cause. We are so lucky to have such a wonderful school community!!!

Chief among the team of organisers was Kaite Daly - who did an utterly magnificent job of bringing everyone together and providing the necessary vision, organisation and structure. I know that she shares my gratitude to the rest of the core team too, so public thank yous also to: the Grants, Stewarts, Bensons, Braggs, Clair Humphrey, Bella Cruikshank, Sarah Knowler, Tori Coles, Stacey Clements, Caroline Lennon and Sam Ballington. The team on the day was even wider - it takes a big team to make things like this happen and I am so grateful to everyone who helped whether it was in the organisation, preparations on the day, during the event or in the clear up afterwards. Big thank yous also go to all the staff who joined in and helped keep everyone safe on that awesome bouncy assault course, among other things. I will try to post more photos on Dojo shortly.

The sum of all this good will, kindness and generosity is that the fair raised an incredible...

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in profit that will go directly towards enhancing the opportunities afford to our pupils next year.

Below is a list of further thank yous to local businesses who donated equipment or prizes to make the event so much fun for everyone

Please also look out below for further important information relating to school meals from next year.

Have a wonderful weekend!

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Organisation / Donor	Contribution	Organisation / Donor	Contribution
Costa Coffee in Wimborne	Costa Coffee Voucher	Co-op	Strawberries & cream
King's Head, Wimborne	King's Head Voucher	Sam Webb	Haribo sweets
Kate Brokenshire	Big bag of various goodies	Get Up and Bounce	Subsidised bouncy castle
Hub Interiors	huge bottle of Waitrose prosecco	Brothers Farm	Plants
Gulliver's Bookshop	Gulliver's Bookshop voucher	Wimborne Community Garden	Plants
Cess	Hamper	Howarth Construction	Loan of fencing
Green Man Pub	Green Man voucher	Merley First School	Loan of gazebos & PA system
BH Live	BH Live voucher	Pip Chissell – local farmer/landowner	Straw bales
Snowtrax	Snowtrax voucher	Amy Chalk & family	Mowing grass
Tesco Fleetsbridge	Raffle prize	Martyn Underhill	Water containers
Pamphill Parlour	Cream Tea Voucher	Longsword group	Longsword dancing teaching
Mirror Mirror, Pamphill	£20 off voucher	Wimborne Fire Brigade	Bringing the fire engine to the fair
Minster Greens - greengrocers, Wimborne	Strawberries		

School Catering Information



You will hopefully have picked up on the upcoming changes through recent communications. We have held off on sharing further detail until now to save confusion while you will still have been ordering meals with our current supplier. As those orders are now closed, I want to alert you to some very important information that will come to you in the early part of next week. Our suppliers are changing from Chartwells to Forerunner, and while we are excited about the change that brings lots of positives for the children, there is an administrative need initially for the school to get you set up and running for September.

Next week you will receive the details required to log into the new ordering system, view menus and place orders for the Autumn Term. **I ask that you try to get set up as soon as possible so that we can assist in ironing out any difficulties before the end of term.**

Staffing Announcements

I am delighted to be able to confirm that **Debbie Gould** and **Sam Webb** will be joining the Owls Class team from September. Mrs Gould will lead the class one afternoon a week while Miss Webb will be extending her role within the school: working part time Teaching Assistant as well as her Lunchtime Supervisor role.

Debbie Gould is a very experienced early years practitioner who runs the outstanding Pamphill Pre-school, and we are both delighted to have this opportunity to bring the school and preschool closer together. Of course she knows most of the class really well too! The preschool will also be joining Owls class at forest school on Wednesday so the children will see Debbie then as well. Sam Webb, as many of you will know, is very passionate about supporting the children at school and we look forward to continuing that journey in September.



Mrs Woolnough and Mr Farnfield will continue to be the Foxes Team, while Mrs Pinto and Mrs Hurley lead Stags.

Upcoming School /PTFA Events

Monday 10th July: Transfer Day (including Y4s to new schools)

Tuesday 11th July: Sports Day (pm)

Thursday 13th July; 3:30-5pm: Open evening to discuss reports and progress with teachers.

Thursday 20th July: Leavers' Service 6-8pm

Friday 21st July: Last day of the year inc. church service at St. Stephen's in the morning and our End of Year Party 1-3pm

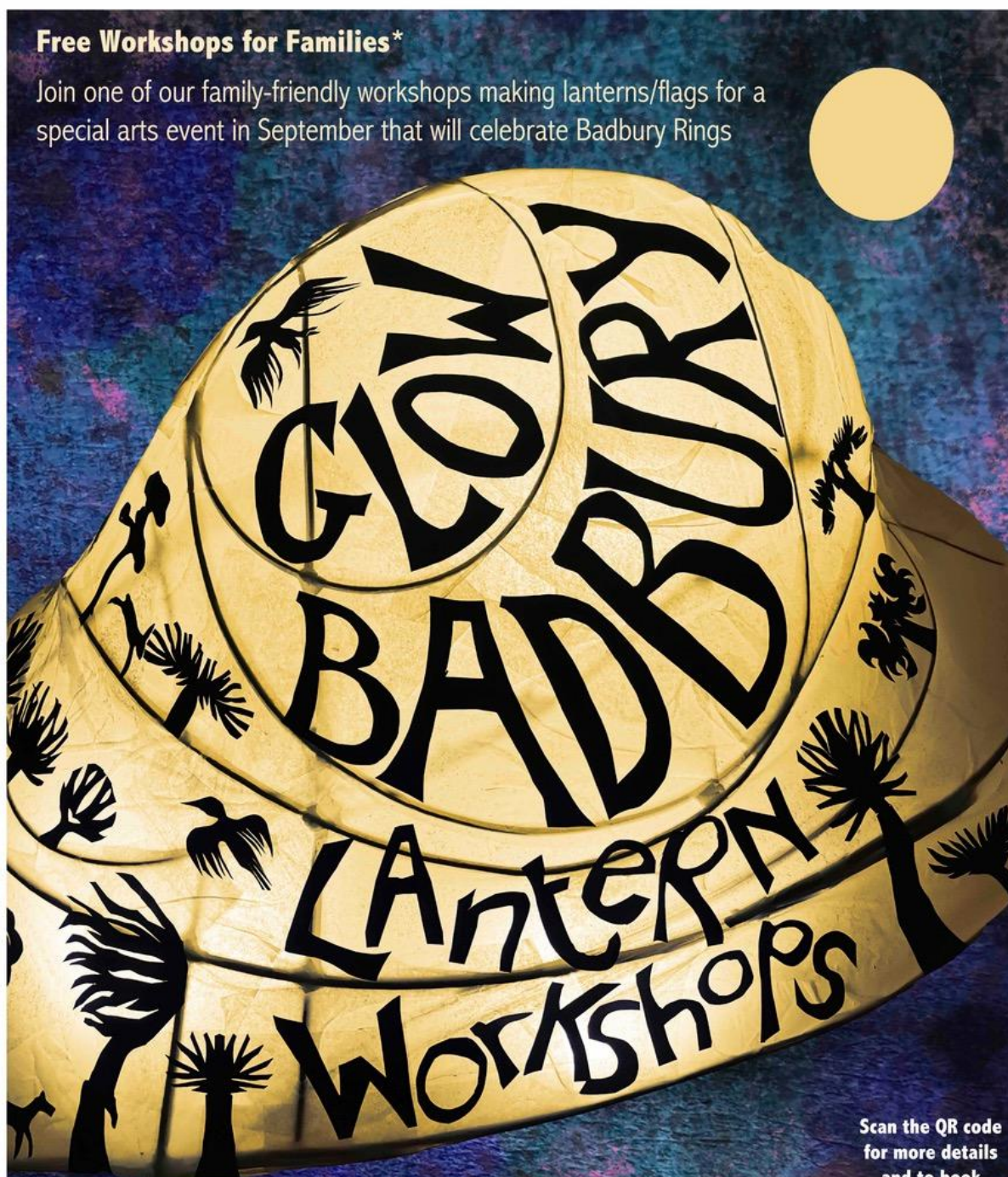
Some parents have also kindly offered to continue to do a little bit of fundraising by selling **ice lollies after school on Wednesdays** in good weather. Thank you to them!

Glow Badbury Event

I am sure you will have heard all about the children's recent art/DT workshops. They have been making pieces to contribute towards the following event in September. Please check out the poster below for information about how they can continue to be involved in making pieces over the summer.

Free Workshops for Families*

Join one of our family-friendly workshops making lanterns/flags for a special arts event in September that will celebrate Badbury Rings



Scan the QR code
for more details
and to book



July 15th, 10am-12noon: Kingston Lacy (outdoors) - usual entry fees apply

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August 8th, 10am-3pm: Sturminster Marshall Memorial Hall

August 25th, 10am-3pm: Tarrant Keyneston Village Hall

August 26th, 10am-3pm: Museum of East Dorset

August 27th, 10am-3pm: Reef, Colehill, Wimborne

August 29th, 10am-3pm: Pamphill Village Hall

*Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times



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