



St Osmund's Middle School

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Summer Term Dates

Tues 19th June
Yr 6 Sailing day

Wed 20th June
Yr 8 Retreat day

Fri 22nd June
Sports Day

Tues 26th June
Dedication of the new building

Mon 2nd July
Yr 8 Retreat day

Tues 3rd July
Internet Safety day

Thurs 5th July
Transfer Day

Mon 23rd July
Yr 8 Leavers' service

Tues 24th July
Last day of term



Dear Parents and Carers,

The half-term break has been and gone amidst glorious weather. I hope that you find the following updates useful.

Year 6

Many congratulations to all Year 6 pupils. They have, without doubt, given of their best, not just during the recent KS2 SATs testing but throughout the school year. All of the children will have made progress in their learning across all subjects and can be proud of their excellent attitudes to their studies. Well done!

Activity Week

During the week before the half-term break, all of the students participated within activity week. Groups of children visited Scotland, France, Bude and Poole. The benefits of a residential trip are immeasurable and I am sure that the children will remember their time away from home for a very long time.

The pupils who were not taking part in a residential trip all enjoyed a wide and varied programme of activities in both school and our beautiful local surrounding area. The schedules were all designed to provide children with a range of memorable experiences.

I am extremely grateful for the significant time and effort invested by the entire staff team in ensuring that the children are able to enjoy the significant social, cultural, physical and emotional benefits of activity week.

Staffing update

I am pleased to report that Mrs Jo Haysom has joined our teaching team for the Summer Term. Mrs Haysom is a skilled and experienced practitioner who is teaching Mrs Dooley's Yr.6 Maths group and a Yr.5 Maths group to provide Mr Absolom with time to fulfil his role as SENDCo.

We have also welcomed back Mrs Dashwood (Learning Mentor) from her maternity leave.

I hope that the sun continues to shine!

Mr. J.J. Williams
(Headteacher)

P.T.O

DASP Music Lessons

The deadline for applications for students to start music lessons in September with DASP Music is **Friday 29th June**. Applications received after this date may need to wait until October half term for lessons to start. Lessons are available on all instruments/voices for as little as £4 per lesson for a group of 4. More information and an online application form can be found at www.daspmusic.co.uk.

If your child currently has lessons, lessons will automatically continue in September (even if you are moving school), unless you tell DASP Music otherwise.

Dedication of the new building

On Tuesday 26th June, the Right Reverend Karen Gorham, Bishop of Sherborne will formally dedicate the new school building. If you would like to join us on this special occasion please present yourself to the School office at 9.15.

Sports Day

Friday 22nd June will be our sports day. There will be activities taking place on the field and in the sports hall. If you are able to join us for all or part of the day, we look forward to seeing you. We urge the children to bring in water bottles and to have sun protection cream applied before the beginning of the event.

These are the approximate timings: **a.m.** 9:15 to 12:05

p.m. 13:00 to 15:00

Year 5 and 6

Track events and turning boards

Field events and Tug of War

Years 7 and 8

Field events and Tug of War

Track events and turning boards

Term Dates 2018-2019

Autumn Term

Wednesday 5th September—Friday 21st December

Half Term Holiday: Monday 22nd—Monday 29th October Inclusive

Staff Training days: Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th September and Monday 29th October

Spring Term

Monday 7th January—Friday 5th April

Half Term Holiday: Friday 15th—Friday 22nd February

Staff Training day: Friday 15th February

Summer Term

Tuesday 23rd April—Friday 19th July

Half Term Holiday: Monday 27th May—Friday 31st May

Staff Training day: Monday 22nd July