

Dear Parents/Carers,

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's parent bulletin.

## Summer Fair - Friday 12th July

Next Friday sees our annual Summer Fair. This is a fantastic event where all the tutor groups run an activity - it involves the whole school community and raises essential funds for the school. Children taking part by running a stall will be required to have parental permission slips returned so please look out for these. We hope to see you next week - fingers crossed the sun returns!

A ParentMail was sent this morning with important information about the Fair from the PTFA.

## Attendance

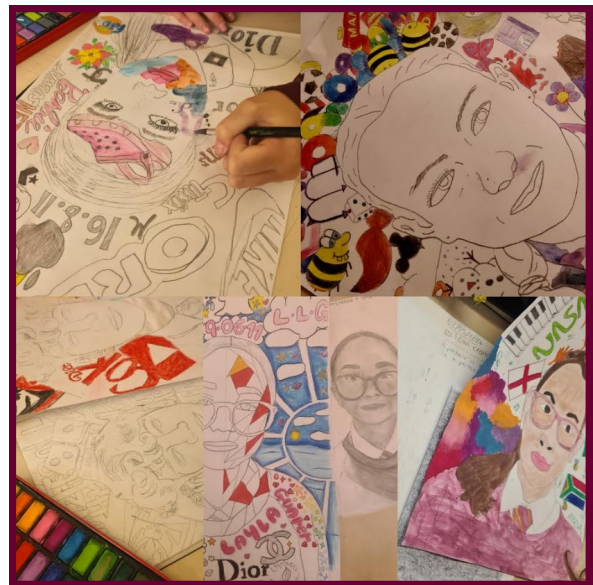
If you are struggling with getting your child into school in the mornings and you don't already receive support from us please do get in touch as there are ways that we can help. In the first instance please email our pastoral team and someone will be back in touch with practical advice and support.

## SIPCO

Mrs Robertson was delighted to be interviewed and filmed this week for an information film by Dorset County Council. The theme was the success of the SIPCO project - supporting parents and children during parental conflict. If you would like to find out more about the project please contact Mrs Robertson through the school office or if you would like to speak to one of the SIPCO team click [here](#) for more information.

## KS3 Art

Year 8 Art IDENTITY portrait pieces are coming along with only 2 more art lessons until the end of term. Pupils will take these pieces with their sketchbooks up to their chosen setting in September 2024. Year 7 pupils are off to FUS Art department next week to see the Ferndown Upper School GCSE Art, textiles and photography exhibition.



## Epraise Reward Sessions



## **Beach Trip**

12 of our pupils got to visit Sandbanks Beach on Wednesday this week. The weather wasn't brilliant, but warm enough for them to have a paddle, dig holes and eat ice cream! Everyone enjoyed themselves and some children said they would save up and buy this reward again next year!

## Bournemouth Aviation Museum Reward Visit

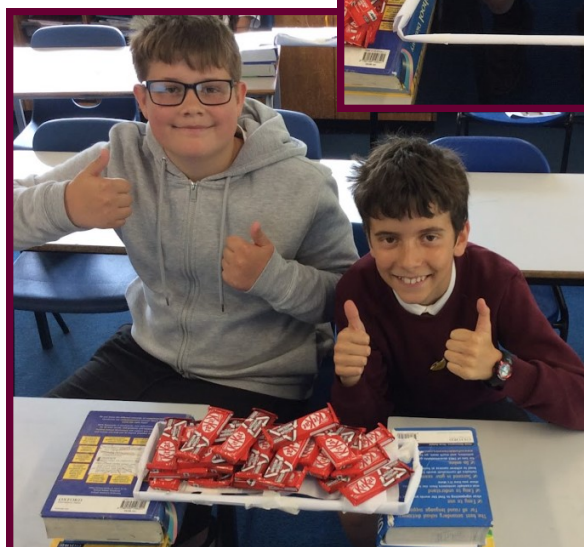


On Tuesday 12 pupils visited the Bournemouth Aviation Museum for their chosen Epraise reward. They had lots of fun climbing in and out of cockpits and pretending to be pilots as well as cabin crew! Highlight of the day was children on the viewing platforms watching some of the real planes taking off and landing at the airport - shout out to some of our amazing pupils who knew exactly what type the planes were and where they were going!



## Maths and Engineering (STEM) Bridge Building Reward

Children from years 5-8 experimented with designing and constructing a beam bridge. Initially the children were given 30 minutes to come up with a design, using just 6 pieces of paper, a meter of masking tape and just their own ideas to cover a 40cm gap. As they placed the loads (KitKats) onto their bridges, they quickly observed the weak points of their bridges. Fueled by a glass of squash and several biscuits, the children were given some much clearer guidance on the use of triangles in a structure and ways in which they could make their paper stronger, either by folding or making circular tubes. The designs and constructions were significantly improved as were the increased number of KitKats that the bridges could hold. It was a great way to spend a



## **Capture the Flag Reward**

On Monday afternoon, 30 pupils across all year groups used their well earned candle credits to play capture the flag and manhunt for their rewards afternoon. All pupils thoroughly enjoyed it. Well done to all of them!

There are quite a few rewards scheduled for the next couple of weeks, so please look out for info via ParentMail if permissions are required.

More rewards will also soon be offered in the Epraise shop for pupils to purchase this term but will take place when they come back in September - by doing this we hope to ensure that points earned are all used up before they get reset for the next academic year.

Thank you so much to our PTFA for funding lots of our rewards.

## Congratulations!

A huge well done to Alyssa Harley with her Basketball club. She plays for Paranaz basketball team and has been playing for 3 years. She recently had trials for the under 12 team and came in the top 12 out of over 100 other competitors. A great achievement!

## Manor Road School Crossing

We have been informed that due to illness there may not be a manned school crossing patrol at Manor Road next week.

All that is left is to wish everyone a great weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday.

Mr Rob Christopher and Mr Alister Barker