

# Governor Update

As we approach the end of another difficult and strange school year on behalf of the Governing Body I would like to thank everyone involved in the school in any way. For parents and the children for having to adjust to school routines and interaction with others (one way systems, staggered starts and wearing of masks) and all staying so positive and cooperative throughout. Also to all the teachers, TAs and support staff for working so hard despite constraints, changes to working conditions and lots of the usual activities not able to happen, but still maintaining a proactive curriculum and good standard of teaching and learning. **Thank you to every one of you!!!!** Who knows what September will hold, although the Government is opening things up, it seems we will be continuing to live



with COVID19 albeit trying to manage things differently. I also wanted to share with you some good news that the federation has invested in two Automatic External Defibrillator (AEDs), one for each site to improve the response to Adults and Children in the event of a sudden cardiac arrest on site. The AEDs we have purchased are suitable for both children and adults and used in conjunction with Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) gives those in cardiac arrest the best chance of survival if deployed within a minute or so and used until the ambulance arrives. We will be providing training for all adults who work in the school so that they can confidently deploy and use the AEDS at a moments notice at any time that the school is in use. We also hope to be offering sessions for parents who wish to learn about CPR & AEDs early in the new school year. Finally we wish to say a sad goodbye to those in year 6 and wish them and their parents well for the future. Mr Gary Hepburn, Chair of Governing Body. Email: [ghepburn@wykeregisdorset.sch.uk](mailto:ghepburn@wykeregisdorset.sch.uk)

## Summer Reading

Dorset Library Service have launched their summer reading challenge, contact your local library to sign up—happy reading!

## Nursery

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## FFA Update

Thank you to everyone for their support this year. If anyone is interested in joining us in the new academic year we would love to hear from you - information about us can be found on the FFA Facebook page or we would love to hear from you via email [friendsofwykeregis@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofwykeregis@gmail.com) Have a lovely summer.

## Meal Ordering

We look forward to the return of our hot meal service in the Autumn Term. Please remember to ensure that before you order your child's meals on the WEYCO site for the Autumn Term, that you make sure that you have updated your child's class and they are registered at the correct school. Thank you

## Free School Meals

There are two types of Free School Meals available in school and it is very unfortunate that they both have similar sounding names: Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) are available for all children from R—Yr 2 if you order them. However, you can also apply for Free School Meals (FSM), which is means tested and entitles you to financial support eg: for uniform and residential discounts and your child does not have to have a lunch if you don't want to order one. For more details and to apply in strict confidence you can click on [www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)



# WYKE REGIS PRIMARY FEDERATION

2021—Summer Term



## Diary Dates

6th Sept	Autumn Term Commences
15th Oct	Individual Pupil Photos Infant & Junior Schools
20th Oct	Flu Vaccinations—Junior School
22nd Oct	Flu Vaccinations—Infant School
22nd Oct	Half Term Ends / Back 1st Nov
1st Nov	Autumn Term 2 Commences

## Term Dates

	<b>Wyke Regis Primary Federation Term Dates</b>  <b>September 2021 to July 2022</b>  <b>Autumn Term</b>  Training Day: Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021 Training Day: Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2021 Autumn Term commences: Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 Half Term Holiday: Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2021 Autumn Term ends: Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 2pm / 2.05pm	
	<b>Spring Term</b>  Bank Holiday: Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2022 Spring Term commences: Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 Training Day: Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 Half Term Holiday: Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 Spring Term ends: Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 2pm / 2.05pm	
	<b>Summer Term</b>  Summer Term commences: Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 Bank Holiday: Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022 Half Term Holiday: Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022 Summer Term ends: Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 2pm / 2.05pm Training Day: Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022 Training Day: Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022  <i>"Inspiring Hearts and Minds"</i>	

## Attendance

**National Expectation - 96%**

**Infants Site— 95.1%\* Junior Site— 95.2%\***  
\*7/9/20—15/7/21

We appreciate the support of the majority of families with our on-going drive to improve attendance and especially in these challenging times—it's a team effort! If you have any concerns about attendance then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the year draws to a close, it is hard to believe another school year has passed by. What a challenge it has been for all of us in the school and the community. We thank all of you for your support in adhering to the systems that had to be put in place and for your patience.

We look forward to the new school year with the hope that a bit of normality will return to school life. The school has been eerily quiet at times, that's for sure. We are extremely proud of all the children who have shown much resilience and kept us all going with their positive energy. The staff have worked really hard to keep them motivated, engaged and making progress in their learning journeys.

We bid a fond farewell to Mrs Sonner who retires this week; and wish her many years of happiness and term time holidays!

Have a lovely summer with your children and families. Stay safe and enjoy some well earned sunshine.

Mrs Roberts



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## Nursery

In Nursery, we're loving our 'Let's grow' topic. The highlight has been hatching chicks but we've also had a visit from FM's African land snails, which were amazing. We've been watching our caterpillars grow and prepare to turn into chrysalises, so the final excitement is yet to come when they emerge! Our vegetables are thriving too and we can't wait to cook with them...what a busy term.



## Reception

What an exciting term we've had in FS2. We've explored our lovely grounds for mini beasts, built them hotels (luckily bugs could still go on holiday!) We've now moved under the sea, checking out what lives beneath the ocean, watching out for snapping sharks and a cuddly octopus! As well as all this we've also been thinking lots about the big move to year 1. Asking our new teachers questions and thinking about all the lovely opportunities we are going to have next year. But let's not forget what an awesome time we've had this year, learning and having so much fun every single day.



## Year 1



It has been a very exciting half term in Year One. We found some dragon's eggs on the playground! We then learnt how to write instructions so we could look after them properly. We were so good at this that we went on to write lots of different instructions for different things. We have just completed our own instruction manual and we really are experts now! The children have also enjoyed using the new outdoor equipment that we have received. A special thank you to Mr Newman of Newman Maintenance for all the logs he provided us with. Mrs Roberts also allowed us to buy some fantastic teepees and writing dens. It has been a great end to another tricky year. We are so proud of our Year One children and their resilience.

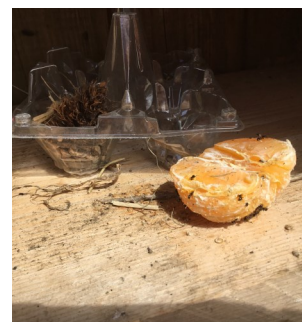
## Year 2



Wyke's latest AirB'n'B residences have just gone on the market. They offer spacious seaside accommodation for many, for FREE! However, there's one small caveat: you do need to be bug sized to make the most of this incredible offer. As a part of our Amazing Animals topic the Year 2 children have been exploring minibeasts and micro habitats. Over several weeks of designing, digging, researching and thinking we came up with our ultimate design. The aim is to attract as many different bugs as possible. Each habitat zone suits a different type of creature. The dark suite has been created to attract sleeping moths, resting in safety during the daytime. The damp wood suite is for everyone's favourite, chiggywigs (woodlouse). We have yet to decide who should occupy the penthouse suites but this prime real estate offers incredible views



across the bay towards Portland. Our resident seagull, Barry, has enjoyed watching the children develop the habitat suites over the past month. However, the children are now keen to build Barry a habitat suite so he's not jealous. The children of Year 2 are keen for next Year's Year 2 children to continue replenishing and developing the bug habitat hotels. They are all keen to see the effort and hard work they have put into this project help others learn and understand the world around them.



## Year 3

The children arrived at school to find the hut sealed off, with a lightning bolt and mysterious basket inside. We went out to investigate what it could be, but Mrs Banner was a bit nervous about entering in case it wasn't safe. However, as if by magic, Mr Kirwin appeared and risked his life to retrieve the basket for us by climbing over the back of the shelter. We found some incredible items inside, as well as a letter from the Father of all gods, Zeus! Mrs Rogers tried to pick up the enchanted hair clip, but the power was so strong that it sent an electric shock through her.



## Year 4



We have had an incredible 6 weeks of learning in Year 4, ending with our amazing Roman Day where the children created their own Roman shields, togas, brooches, feast menus and even marched in Roman Army formations around the school!

## Year 5



Year 5 have been learning about and discovering the great outdoors this term. We have studied world atlases, created route plans using OS maps, identified different climates and biomes, and taken part in two fantastic trips. When visiting WOEC we practised our sailing, like Michael in our literacy book Kensuke's Kingdom, clambered and scrambled during rock climbing, and scurried through tight squeezes and turns in tunnelling. Enjoying our local area further, we explored The Fleet and observed its landscape, biodiversity and history whilst also considering the impact of humans on the area.



## Year 6



Year 6 had a fabulous day at PGL Osmington this term. The children took part in activities including zipwire, archery, giant swing and orienteering. Throughout the day, they challenged and supported each other brilliantly, showing great compassion and teamwork. The weather was kind to us for the majority of the day and a great time was had by all.

