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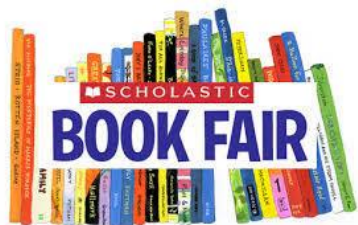
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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for the 'Bag to School' donations. We managed to collect 376kg which gave us £75.20 for the school.



The children really enjoyed the school disco yesterday so a big thank you to the adults and staff who gave their time to supervise. Next week we have a parents and friends meeting and I know the committee would be delighted to have offers of help for upcoming events. If you would like to help in any way, please let us know.



We have booked a scholastic fair for 18<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> June. There will be a wide selection of books available at competitive prices. Purchases allow the school to earn free books for our classrooms. Please see flyer attached to this newsletter.



**Year 3 and Year 4** are invited to participate in an Athletics Festival at St Michaels' Middle School on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June**. Parents need to register their own child and bring them as an individual to the event. Whoever brings the child is expected to stay on the school site and be on hand if needed. This was a very successful event last year for our children and no experience is necessary.

**Internet safety**

We have been asked to share a public awareness information sheet by the Dorset Safeguarding Team. It has been attached and contains information about an emerging online threat. It is important to note that the online platforms being targeted include Minecraft and Roblox. The flyer includes upsetting yet important information for parents with the important message being 'to foster the open dialogue with your children around online gaming'.

### A snapshot of learning for this week:

**In Explorers** we have focussed on looking after ourselves including road safety, self-care and daily routines.



**In Adventurers** we have been exploring the weather, we have enjoyed looking at weather forecasts and how accurate they are. We have also become weather reporters, recording what the weather has been like each day to then create and telling our own forecasts using a map of the United Kingdom. In maths this week we have been learning about 3D shapes and their properties and have been printing with them to explore the shapes of the faces. We have also explored the different 3D shapes in our classroom, we found lots in our junk modelling area and used them to make some super creations!



**In Voyagers** we have been looking at Samuel Pepys and the important role he played in the Great Fire of London. Not only that he was the link between King Charles II and the Lord Mayor of London, but that he documented the whole event in detail so that 359 years later we know the ins and outs of the Great fire and can learn from it.

**In Navigators** we have begun reading our next Favourite 5 text 'The boy who swam with piranhas' identifying paragraphs and exploring alliteration. We have also written some beautifully presented writing showcasing our understanding of paragraphs. We have been using magnets to test whether different materials are magnetic and found that some metals are magnetic, whilst others are non-magnetic.

### A snapshot of learning for next week:

**In Explorers** we will be looking at how we grow and change and what gives us our identity.

**In Adventurers** we will be investigating, do we ever run out of rain? We will be exploring parts of the world that experience lots and little rain and thinking about what happens when there is no rain.

**In Voyagers** we will be identifying and testing different everyday materials to find out why we choose them for different jobs. We will be explaining their properties in order to justify why they are used to make certain objects.

**In Navigators** we have a very busy week next week with two school trips! On Tuesday we will be visiting the Larmer Tree gardens to explore them through art, dance and drama, and on Wednesday we are visiting the Lighthouse theatre to watch and perform alongside the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra. We will also continue with our science learning about magnets and will begin to think of ideas for our 'Entrepreneur project' after half term.

### Upcoming Dates (new dates added)

[Please note that dates for the year ahead are on the school website including Christmas performance/ sports day and the calendar will be updated regularly as new activities/events become available to us]

Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3 and Y4 event at the Larmer Tree
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	BSO trip - Years 3 and 4
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	HALF TERM
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 Striking and Fielding event with HAT schools New parent meeting
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Transfer Day
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Larmer Tree Project (visiting musicians)
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	HAT music experience for KS2 (visiting musicians from Royal College of Music) hosted at Sixpenny
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Y4 swimming gala (8 chn Y3/4)
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fete
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Y3 and Y4 Larmer Tree Festival
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Explorers Leavers' Party (3:30pm - 4:30pm)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Forest Adventures on the Rushmore Estate (Reception to Year 4)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Leavers' Assembly 9:15am Leavers' party 3pm -5:30pm

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July      Final day of school. School finishes at 1:45pm. Year 4 will exit last at the end of the day onto the playground so we can applaud them as they leave us for the next stage of their learning.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ra Musselwhite', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mrs Rachael Musselwhite (Headteacher)