BPSP WEEKLY REMINDER

Monday 9 November 2026

GENERAL REMINDERS: WHOLE SCHOOL / MUSIC / CLUBS / FRIENDS

New menu (Autumn/Winter 2026) for after Half Term is available to view on our website.

Deadline for ordering Hot School Meals - (from Chartwells via *Dorset Meal Selector | Home*)

for w/c Monday 23 November 2026 is **Midnight on Sunday 8 November 2026.**

Please note Chartwells will not take late orders via email/phone after the deadline. Menus and allergens are available via school website: https://www.bpspjunior.co.uk/hot-school-meals-provided-by-chartwells

School Parent/Carer Travel Survey 2026 - BPSP is developing a School Travel Plan, a practical strategy to understand how pupils, parents, and staff travel to and from school. The goal is to make these journeys safer, healthier, and more sustainable. By encouraging walking, cycling, scooting, using public transport, car sharing or mobility aids, we aim to reduce traffic congestion and cut carbon emissions. This plan will help improve road safety for everyone, especially pedestrian's, cyclists, and scooter users, and support more active, environmentally friendly travel choices.



Only 5 parents have completed the survey so far! Please spare a couple of minutes to have your say at https://haveyoursay.bcpcouncil.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/baden-powell-travel-survey-parent (the survey will be live until 13 November 2026, 2359hrs). Thank you.

Mon	**9**	• **Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal:** Our Student Council will be selling poppies at playtime and lunchtime this week until Remembrance Day on Wednesday (or until supplies run out). They will be in the playground or cage, depending on their year group. **NB: we will not be able to give any change** so please bring in a sensible donation. There will be a limited supply of additional items – please see poster below. • **Music for Youth Proms (at Royal Albert Hall) 7.45am-Tues 1.00am** - participating Yr 5/6 Musicians aware. • **No lunchtime String Ensemble today.**
Tue	**10**	•
Wed	**11**	• **Open Evening for prospective parents & their Yr 3 Sept 2027 Intake children - 5.00-6.30pm.** No need to book – just turn up. • **Afternoon Kids' Haven session CANCELLED today due to Open Evening. We will cancel anyone booked into this session and refund the money to your Arbor Account.** • **Teacher-led clubs (Yr 3/4 Choir, Choir for Boys and Yrs 5 & 6 Netball) CANCELLED today due to Open Evening.** • **All other clubs running as normal.** • **Children helping at Open Evening to arrive at 4.45pm and head to their activity. Collection at 6.30pm from their Year Group/classroom.**
Thu	**12**	•
Fri	**13**	• **Children in Need 'Mad Hair / Fancy Hat' Day –** children welcome to wear non-uniform today for a donation via Arbor (in 'School Shop'). In addition, they can wear their favourite hat or, if they are feeling particularly adventurous, they can style and accessorise their hair in a creative way.

YEAR 3

Mon	9	•
Tues	10	•
Wed	11	• **Yr 3/4 Choir CANCELLED today due to Open Evening.**
Thurs	12	•
Fri	13	•

YEAR 4

Mon	9	•
Tues	10	• **Swimming lessons continue for 4DP and 4KL** - please refer to letter sent last term for full details.
Wed	11	• **Yr 3/4 Choir CANCELLED today due to Open Evening.**
Thurs	12	•
Fri	13	•

YEAR 5

Mon	9	•
Tues	10	•
Wed	11	• **Choir for Boys and Yrs 5 & 6 Netball clubs CANCELLED today due to Open Evening.**
Thurs	12	•
Fri	13	•

YEAR 6

Mon	9	• **6GJ Visit to Nothe Fort (9.00am-3.15pm)** – see letter for full details. • **6GM WWII Interactive Zoom session.**
Tues	10	• **6JM WWII Interactive Zoom session.**

Wed	11	• **6JB Visit to Nothe Fort (9.00am-3.15pm)** – see letter for full details. • **Sports Leaders assisting with Yr 1 Multiskills Festival (at Courthill) 12.30-3.00pm** - participating children aware. Unfortunately, parents cannot attend. Packed lunch is required. • **Choir for Boys and Yrs 5 & 6 Netball clubs CANCELLED today due to Open Evening.**
Thurs	12	• **Yr 6 Multiskills Festival Transition to Poole High (at Poole High) 8.45am-1.30pm** - participating children aware. Unfortunately, parents cannot attend. Packed lunch is required. • **Yr 5/6 Girls Football Poole Qualifying Tournament (at St Aldhelms) 12.30-4.15pm** - participating children aware. Unfortunately, parents cannot attend. Packed lunch is required.
Fri	13	• **6MA Visit to Nothe Fort (9.00am-3.15pm)** – see letter for full details.

FRIENDS OF BPSP NEWS

Christmas cards

If your child completed a card template, an order card with details of how to place orders has been sent home in their school bag. Please note the shop closes on Sunday 15th November.

UA Ukrainian pen pals

We're inviting children in Year 4 and above to express interest in a pen pal at a partner school in Kyiv. Children would exchange letters in English about once a month, starting with a Christmas card. Parents review letters before they're sent, and children don't share personal contact details. All project costs are covered by the coordinator.
Sign up here: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/TEPuW5Kes1

Winter Raffle

We're collecting prizes for our Jingle Bell Jackpot! Could your business donate a product, voucher, service or experience? It's a great way to introduce your business to BPSP parents. Email bpspfundraising@outlook.com. Thank you!

Charlotte, Lilly, Lesley, Petra, Nicola & Lois
Friends of BPSP Committee



Sandbanks Community Group

Playpark Consultation

We need your help!

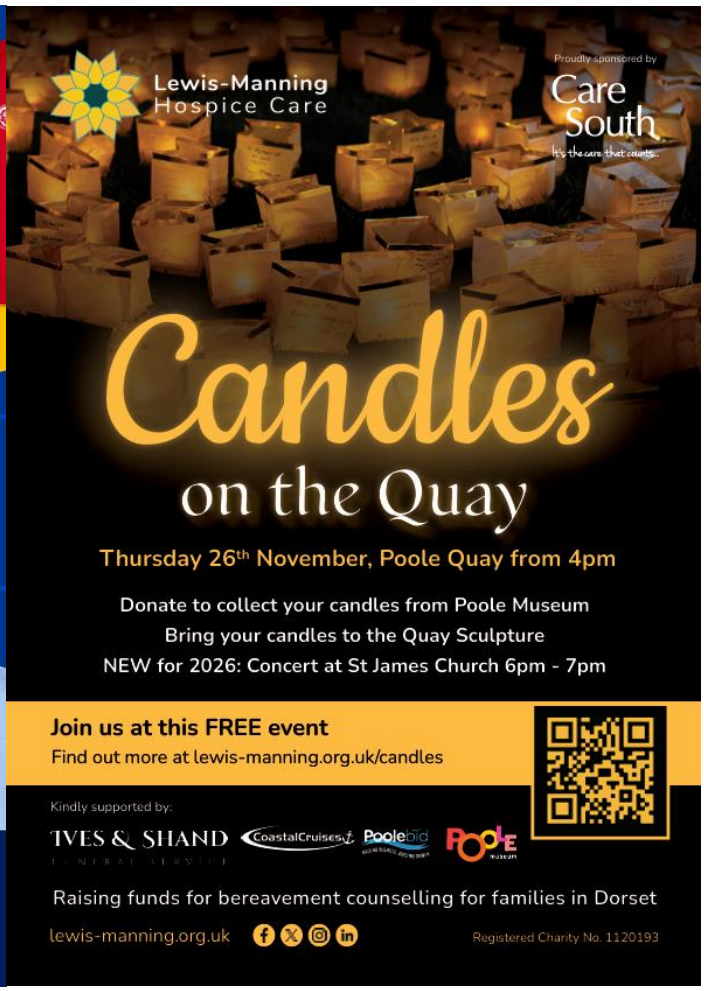
We are planning a significant upgrade to the children's play area at Sandbanks.

To ensure it reflects the needs of our community, provides accessible play for all abilities, and sits respectfully within our unique coastal environment, please share your thoughts by completing the survey below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1iUWnq71syEk3ilIAy0sa4-8odSak8XFUbeGPkAchyhE/edit







National Autistic Society | EarlyBird Plus Licensed

To find out more visit: www.autism.org.uk/earlybird

Has your child received an autism diagnosis?

Join the National Autistic Society's EarlyBird Plus programme to understand more about autism and how you can support your child.

EarlyBird Plus programme

Meet other parents and share experiences on our ten-week programme. Designed for parents of children aged from four to nine, we can help you understand autism and support your child, including:

- **supporting interaction**
- **understanding sensory differences**
- **developing play**
- **interpreting behaviour.**

"EarlyBird Plus is an absolute must to help you begin to learn and understand how your child's mind works."
Parent

We encourage you to attend the sessions with a professional, such as a teaching assistant, who is working regularly with your child.

This is your local licensed EarlyBird Plus group leader, trained by the National Autistic Society.

Contact them for more information:

Name: Connie Buckle

Contact: LTSA@linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk

Information and support

Get free resources and expert advice on a wide range of issues affecting autistic people and their families.

Visit: www.autism.org.uk

The National Autistic Society is a charity registered in England and Wales (269425) and in Scotland (SC039427)

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What does autism look like in teenagers?

Join the National Autistic Society's Teen Life programme for parents and carers of young autistic people aged ten to 16.

Teen Life programme

Get together with other parents to share advice and experiences. The six-session programme covers:

- **understanding autism in teenagers**
- **women and girls**
- **self-esteem**
- **stress and anxiety**
- **puberty**
- **planning for the future.**

"What a course! I would strongly recommend any parent with a teenage child on the autism spectrum attend this programme."
Parent

This is your local licensed Teen Life group leader, trained by the National Autistic Society.

Contact them for more information:

Name: Connie Buckle

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PAPAYA

THE TECH Talk

with Dr Helen Thomas.

LOCATION:

Baden Powell and St Peter's school

DATE AND TIME:

Tuesday 17th November, doors open 6pm

Helping Families Make Better Choices.

This empowering talk provides the information, inspiration and practical tools needed to help your family develop a healthy balance with technology.

Led by experts and grounded in the latest research, this evidence-based session explores the reasons behind the social media ban, offers strategies for delaying a child's first smartphone, and provides practical guidance for families already navigating smart devices and social media.

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PAPAYA

Helping families to thrive in a digital age

Hard hitting but non-judgemental, Helen unpacks the complex issues surrounding addictive technology and helps you find solutions that work for your family.

"The talk is so relevant, full of insight and eye-opening. You will walk away inspired to connect, reflect, and find out more. I highly recommend it."

— Claire Curtis, parent and SFC volunteer.



Dr. Helen Thomas

Dr Helen Thomas is a GP in Hampshire, a member of Health Professionals for Safer Screens as well as a parent member of Smartphone Free Childhood.

Dr Thomas has delivered health harms talks in schools and healthcare professional training across Hampshire. She has authored a professional education module including a screening tool for identifying children at risk and, together with Health Professionals for Safer Screens, a resource package for professionals in healthcare and education to signpost families to.

As a digital wellbeing expert, Dr Thomas provides training to clinicians and safeguarding teams as well as parents through Papaya.