



Bikeability skills with Reception

Dear Parents and Carers



Welcome back to the Summer term we all hope that you had an enjoyable Easter break and children have used this week to adjust body clocks back to school mode!

It's going to be a really busy term coming up with so much going on - Year 6 sit their SATS towards the end of this term so they will be busy getting ready for the assessment week. Also, now begins the long countdown of their last ever Summer term at Wessex.

There really is nowhere else to start. After months of preparation and weeks of collecting and sorting resources, children began their OPAL journey yesterday. After another OPAL assembly yesterday morning led by Mrs Pope and Mrs Patrick, children knew exactly what the routine would be, where they could go, what they could do and how to play and interact happily and safely with the activities.

Come midday, children were bustling around the dressing up clothes, getting creative in the craft corner, chalking the playground and blackboards and reminiscing of years gone by on the KSI playground and playparks. Our children in Reception and KSI were able to explore wherever they wanted, which even included going on the trim trail! There were so many smiles and so much laughter as children used their imagination and interacted with peers from different year groups with staff enjoying supervising such happy children.

A huge public thank you should go to our Play Co-ordinator, Mrs Patrick, and our Curricular Lead, Mrs Pope, for the effort and organisation that has gone into getting OPAL off the ground. Thanks also to everyone who has donated items and continues to donate. There is so much more to come from OPAL and we all cannot wait for the next steps of our journey!

This week, Reception started an exciting adventure where they began bikeability lessons with MNR Coaching. During the summer term the children will learn to ride a balance bike or bicycle confidently, while developing basic road awareness. We look forward to reporting on their progress!

During the Easter holidays, Year 4 took part in a Times Table Rock Stars Battle - it was Larch Class against Lime Class. Many pupils took part, improving their fluency and accuracy with their times table knowledge. We are very proud to say that Larch Class were the overall winners and as such will have extra break time this week! Huge congratulations to Amelia for also being the MVP (Most Valuable Player), scoring the most points in the entire tournament. Certificates were presented to Amelia and other star performers in the battle in assembly this afternoon.

More Year 4 news - pupils enjoyed their first swimming lesson of the year on Tuesday. Behaviour of pupils was impeccable as they travelled to Braywick. For some pupils, it was the first time they have had any formal swimming coaching so well done to all!

Mr Beavan

Quotes of the week

"I loved the houses to play families in" Rose, Year 1

"The trim trail and everything was so good" Jude, Year 1

"I liked using the messy chalk" Sienna, Year 1

"Arts & crafts were my favourite" Lola, Year 1

"I liked playing with new people" Casper, Year 1

"The man in zone 4 teaching us PE was good" Alfie, Year 1

"I liked being able to play with my brother in upper school"
Bella, year 1

"People were really kind" Ellis, Year 1

Diary dates coming up



Monday 27th April
Y5 Wonder Dome Planetarium at Wessex

Monday 4th May
BANK HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL

Monday 11th May to Friday 15th May
Y6 SATs week

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd May
Walk to School Week

Friday 22nd May
Last Day of Term 5 - 3.20pm finish

Good News Certificates



FS2: Olivia and Imela

Year 1: Ella and Evie

Year 2: Isla and Hugo

Year 3: Leo and Dominic

Year 4: Amelia and Michael

Year 5: Maddison and Sebastian

Year 6: Emaan and Anah

Attendance

Lower School: Alder & Cherry joint winners with 100%

Upper School: Poplar winners with 98.9%

School attendance this week

95%



Last year average = 94.9%

Aiming for 97%

School Values



This week in assembly we explored the idea of being our own best friend. We spent time thinking about the importance of speaking kindly to ourselves. We talked about how the way we talk inside our heads matters just as much as how we speak to other people. The children reflected on how encouraging themselves, asking for help when they need it. This was a really good way to start our PSHE unit of Relationships this term.



Year 5 and Year 1 sharing

Last term, Year 5 created their own pop-up books based on a nursery rhyme of their choice. This week, they proudly took their finished creations to Year 1 to celebrate and share their learning.

The Year 5 children read their interactive nursery rhymes aloud and demonstrated the different mechanisms they had designed. Year 1 were captivated by the moving parts, bright illustrations, and imaginative ideas. It was a lovely moment of collaboration, confidence-building and creativity across the school

OPAL plea

Thank you to everyone who has donated so far. The wooden pallets will be transformed into wellie boot storage in the future! What a great way to repurpose rather than recycle. Please keep the resources coming in - we would love tools for digging in the sand, buckets & spades. Any adult clothing/ costumes/ fancy dress for dressing up.

Staffing update

Mrs Brown, one of our Teaching Assistants within Key Stage 1 is going to be leaving us at the end of next week. She has secured a job working for Achieving for Children as a Family Support Worker Assistant. We thank Mrs Brown for all the work she has done at the school including Breakfast Club for over ten years. We know many children and colleagues have very fond memories of Mrs Brown. She will be missed by us all and we wish her lots of luck in her new role.

Character Curriculum

Linked to our assembly value, children have been learning the importance of speaking kindly to themselves, noticing mistakes without being unkind, and offering themselves the same understanding they would show a friend. They have also been thinking about when to ask for help and how positive self-talk can make challenges feel more manageable.

How to be your own best friend



- Speaking kindly to yourself
- Not saying things like "I'm rubbish" - "can't"
- Not comparing yourself to others
- Noticing mistakes but being kind
- Asking for help
- Don't compare yourself
- Offer yourself the same help you would a friend
- Be positive to yourself



Positivity



Honesty



Respect



Pride

First day of OPAL



First day of OPAL



20th April - 6th July

STRETCH
YOUR IMAGINATION WITH
**ANIMATION
EXPRESSIONS**

FIRST COME
FIRST SERVE
BASIS.

TURN YOUR ARTWORK
INTO A MOVIE

Love watching animated movies?
Here's your opportunity to create your own!!

Using creative drawings, toys, lego, clayplay, you
can create animations that take ART and ICT
to infinity and beyond.



Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

After School Club
3.15pm-4.15pm
Every Monday



11 sessions • £93.50



Wessex Primary School



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Wessex Primary School

After school *Sewing Club*

(Open for yr.1 to yr.6)

Starting: Thursday 23rd April 2026

Let's have some sewing fun! I am very excited to announce the sewing club for the summer term. Children will be doing creative sewing using different techniques and various types of fabrics.

This term yr.1,2 & 3 will be making:

- Minion
- Handmade present for Father's Day
- Pencil case

Yr.4 & 5 will be making:

- Learn block printing and make a pouch
- Handmade present for Father's Day
- Pen holder bookmark

Yr 6 will be making

- Leaver's cushion
- Handmade present for Father's Day
- Pen holder bookmark

Duration: 12 weeks (Starting 23rd April to 16th July)

Time: 3:25 to 4:25pm.

Fee: £120 (All materials included) you can pay by following childcare vouchers

Edenred, Sodexo, Care 4, Fidelity, Computershare, RG, Enjoy Benefits

Places are limited will be allotted on a first come first serve basis. If your child would like to join, please text /WhatsApp me on 07782253565 to book the place.

Thank you.

Anita Kulkarni

Email: anita@dhagga-sewing.co.uk



Wessex Primary School

Building Confidence & Well
Being through Drama

Little Tanks drama club is enrichment for your child as it aims to develop children's confidence and well-being. Throughout the term the children will partake in games and activities that will be fun, exciting and engaging. We believe that by embedding your child's resilience it will give them a more positive approach to developing their strengths even further. Work on an end of term show to share with parents during the last session.

Summer Term 2026

21st of April – 7th of July*
(excluding half term – 26th of May)

Years: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

Day: Tuesday

Time: 3.25 - 4.25pm

Venue: UpperSchoolHall

Cost: £88.00

To avoid disappointment please complete your form and fee as soon as possible as there are only 20 spaces per course. We work on a first come first serve basis once the payment & online

form has been received

*Please note these dates are subject to change

Contact Us

Phone: 07977220965

E-mail: debi@littletanks.co.uk

Website: www.littletanks.co.uk

Please [click here](#) to complete the registration form online and make the payment to secure your child's space.

Spaces are only allocated on receipt of both the form and fee

Payment Details

Account Name: Little Tanks Ltd

Account Number: 99493876

Sort Code: 60-83-71

Cost: £88.00

Reference: WS + your child's name



iPro Football COACHING



BOYS' ONLY

Wednesday After School Football Club @ Wessex Primary School

iPro Football will be holding an After School Football Club at your school during the Summer Term.

Contact: Office 07908 172175 Email: office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk

Guided by our team of our fully qualified professional coaches, the course will work on developing players skills as well as having small sided matches, competitions and fun for all!

Day & Time	Wednesday – 3.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Course Duration (13 sessions)	Wednesday 22 nd April – Wednesday 15 th July 2026 (Exc Wednesday 27th May - Half Term) Double Session on 15 th July 3.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.
BACS Payment: Sort Code 09 01 29 Account Number 32421826 Account name: iPro Football Coaching Ltd Forms to be completed and emailed to office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk .	£104 – 13x Sessions NO forms or payment to be returned to the School Office
Age Groups	Open to boys in Years R - 6 Children will be grouped as follows: Group 1 – R & KS1 Group 2 – KS2 Minimum number 10 – Maximum 15 per group
Kit Required	Boots/Trainers/ Shinpads/Drink & Weather Appropriate clothing.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. To secure your place, please complete the attached form and email it to office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk. This course is non refundable however a credit note may be issued for use on a course at a later date. If you require any further information, please contact the iPro Football Coaching office using above details.

IPRO FRIDAY ADVANCED TRAINING CENTRE

Outfield Players & Specialist GK Section – Limited places

Development and Advanced sessions running weekly for talented grassroots club players in addition to all local club football.

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BIRTHDAY PARTIES!

Are you football mad?

Would you like to enjoy a football birthday party with your favourite iPro coach?

If so please contact Office Manager, Julie Adams, office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk

****Please Complete in Block Capitals****

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Child's Name _____ DOB _____ Year Group _____

Home Address _____ Postcode _____

Payment method (please tick) BACS []

Email address _____
(Please provide us with a clear email address so we can keep you up to date with everything iPro)

Emergency contact name _____ Mobile No. _____

Medical conditions _____
(Children attending who require Epi pens must have written letter of consent to allow our staff to administer treatment. In the unlikely event that your child should need first aid and /or be transferred to hospital, by signing this form you give permission for our staff to do so. You also confirm that all relevant medical conditions have been disclosed). I understand and accept that whilst reasonable care will be taken, neither 'iPro Football coaching', not any personnel authorised by it, not the school of facility at which the course is being held, will be held responsible for any loss or injury suffered by, or to the applicant, howsoever caused.

Signed _____ (Parent/Guardian) Date: _____

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WESSEX AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



Girls Football - Yrs R-6
Weds 15th April to Weds 8th July - 3.30-4.30pm

Dodgeball - Yrs R-6
Thurs 16th April to Thurs 9th July - 3.30-4.30pm

Note - Term dates only

Maidenhead United in the Community, the community arm of Maidenhead United Football Club, are running a weekly dodgeball session at Wessex. These sessions will run after school from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. The club will be focused on developing ability, confidence and skill level in a fun environment. The sessions are run by experienced FA qualified coaches.

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