

Dorchester Primary School



Ethos and Values

At Dorchester Primary School we believe that the high quality teaching, alongside the nurturing and pastoral care of children, is fundamental to them achieving excellence. We want our children to be happy and to know that they are appreciated and valued. Our ethos is underpinned by a set of values: Responsibility, Empathy, Self-Belief, Perseverance, Enquiry, Creativity and Togetherness.

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Behaviour

- Here at Dorchester Primary school, we believe in restorative conversations which allow children to reflect on their decisions and behaviour choices

Typical Day

- Children arrive at school from 8:30am and should be in their classrooms ready to start learning by 8:45am.
- Break time for KS1 and KS2 is at 10:45am-11:05am.
- Lunch time for KS1 is 12pm-1pm and is at 12:15pm -1:10pm for KS2.
- KS1 has an afternoon break time at 2pm.
- School finishes at 3:15pm.

Forest school

- Every Year group has a forest school session once a week.

P.E

- Children have P.E 2-3 times a week and are required to come into school on those days in their P.E kits.

Playtime and lunchtime

- KS1 and KS2 morning break time is at 10:45-11:05
- We have a playpod shed with different scrap materials to play with.
- Every child is entitled to free school meals. Children tell their class teacher in the morning if they are having a school meal or a packed lunch.

Uniform

- <https://www.schoolwearinc.co.uk/school/dorchester-primary/>

Home Learning

- Home learning is sent out by Friday each week in the Peak of the week - found on the school newsletter. .
- The Bronze, Silver and Gold tasks are optional, however the expectation is that children practise spellings, times tables and reading every week at home.
- All children will receive a Reading Record book to record their reading each day.

Willow Club

- Before school and after school child care. Please contact the office regarding booking and payment if you would like your child to attend.

For more details, refer to our school prospectus:

<https://www.dorchesterprimary.com/attachments/download.asp?file=335&type=pdf>