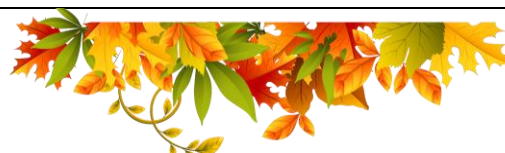




Corfe Welcome Letter September 2025



Dear Parents & Carers,

Hello, welcome back to Castle Primary School, and to Corfe Class. We hope you and your children all had a wonderful, restful summer and that you are all ready for the year ahead. This year, Mrs Downes will teach the class on a Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Seaby will be teaching the class on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We are also very fortunate to be having Miss Gurney join us as a student teacher for this academic year. Mrs Hole is our classroom teaching assistant. We are very much looking forward to working together to ensure this is a happy and enjoyable year for your child.

A Day in Corfe Class

A typical day in Corfe Class will look like this:

8.45 – 9.00	9.00 – 10.30	10.30 – 10.45	10.45 – 11.00	11.00 – 11.50
Start of the day activity and registration	Phonics English	Break time	Assembly	Maths

11.50 – 12.50	12.50 – 13.00	13.00 – 15.15	15.15
Lunch time	Register	Foundation subjects: Computing, Discovery (Geography, History, Science, RE), Creativity (Art, Design, Music), PE, PSHE	Home

Forest School

This will take place during the afternoon on the following dates: Thursday 11th September 2025.
Future Forest School will be published on dates for your diary.

This is a great opportunity for the children to learn outside the classroom. Please remember, Forest School takes place in all weathers, so please send your children in with warm clothes and wet weather gear ready for the Autumn weather. **Children can come into school dressed in their Forest School clothes on Forest School days but please send welly boots in a separate named bag.**

PE

PE days will be alternated between Tuesday and Thursday. During PE we will be doing a combination of indoor PE in the hall and outdoor PE when the weather is good.

Tuesday 9th September

Thursday 18th September

Tuesday 23rd September

Thursday 2nd October

Tuesday 7th October

Thursday 16th October

Tuesday 21st October

On the above PE days, we would like the children to come to school in their PE kit. We would recommend daps without laces rather than trainers. Please see the school uniform policy for PE kit expectations.

Please send your child in with a **water bottle every day**. We encourage the children to drink plenty of water throughout the day as brains that are hydrated concentrate and learn better! It would be helpful, due to the small space of our cloakroom, for the children to join the line carrying (in their hands), their water bottle and lunchbox if they have one. This will help with their independence when storing their items in the classroom.

Learning at home

Home learning activities are given to support and extend the children's understanding, and to encourage the children to involve their families in their learning experiences. Try to find a time when your child is not too tired or rushed and if possible, a quiet area to work in. As a brief run-down, **each week** your child will be expected to work on the following:

Task	Details	Due
Reading	At least four times per week. Please record each read in reading record books.	Reading records checked every Friday. Dragon point awarded.
Spelling	Yr 1 and 2 CEW	Regular checks

Reading is obviously a fundamental skill, and as such we will be rewarding children for the hard work they put into it. They will receive a Dragon Point per read (but they must have done the minimum of 4 reads). As well as your child's reading book, which is matched to their most recent phonic assessment, they will also bring home a library book for you to share. They are not expected to be able to read this book independently.

Personal possessions – we ask that all personal possessions are left at home to avoid anything special getting lost or broken.

And finally...

If you have any general problems or queries, then please do not hesitate to contact us. Seesaw messages are the best form of contact. You can catch us before and after school for a quick chat, or you can of course arrange an appointment if a longer discussion is required.

We are looking forward to an exciting year of learning ahead.

Best wishes

Mrs Downes and Mrs Seaby