

Good afternoon and welcome to our latest parent bulletin. It has been a varied week full of learning and extra curricular activities topped off with some warm sun!

## Summer Fayre - Save the date, 30th June 2023 6pm - 8pm.

The PTFA and Emmanuel Middle School will be holding their first Summer Fair for quite a while and it would be lovely to see you all there. There will be many old favourites including a BBQ, refreshments, tombolas and our class lead stalls as well as many new exciting activities. All we need now is the sunny weather! Hope to see you there

## Year 5 Art

Year 5 have been looking at Portraits and Colour Theory. Producing some stunning graphic transfer portraits using Complementary Colour pallets. As always, weekly photos are put on the school's Art Instagram account across the 4 year groups.



## Y6 activities week

After the intensity of SATs tests last week our Year 6 children have thoroughly enjoyed their activities this week. Pupils enjoyed activities at Ninja Warrior, Go Ape, Dorset Adventure Park finishing with activities and a BBQ in school yesterday. This week was enjoyed and richly deserved by the year group who have worked so hard and performed so well in the statutory tests. The staff enjoyed sharing these experiences with their tutor groups too!





## Water bottles

With warmer weather finally here, it is even more important that all pupils have a water bottle in school. Our school office have had a large number of visits from pupils this week requesting a plastic cup due to not having a bottle - this is both an inefficient use of time and environmentally unfriendly - thank you for your support with this.

## Cricket at FMS

On Thursday afternoon, our mixed year group soft ball cricket team travelled to Ferndown Middle School to play a friendly match - it was great to finally have the return of inter-school cricket. EMS batted first and due to some excellent bowling ended up about 20 short of a 'par' total. However a fantastically energetic performance in the field which included diving catches and direct hit run outs left them with a chance to snatch victory at the end. Sadly, the boys narrowly lost but really enjoyed the game and are even more ready for the next one.



## Dorset County Cup Final

Baden Powell 3 Emmanuel 2

The County Cup final, played at the County Ground Hamworthy, hosted two great footballing school teams last Friday afternoon. Baden Powell had been comfortably beating their opponents in the earlier rounds of the cup, which started in September and had navigated their quarter and semi-final matches without much trouble. Emmanuel, had been involved in a closer and tighter semi-final and were ready to take their opportunity in the final.

Emmanuel did just that, in taking the lead midway through the first half with a 'top bins' screamer from our wing wizard Hennessy S. Unfortunately, just minutes later Baden Powell equalised and then took the lead after a bazar deflection. It would have been easy for the team to have let their heads drop, but they seemed to do the complete opposite and pressed Baden Powell even quicker and increased their relentless tracking and running off the ball, until the cracks started to appear in the Baden Powell defence. It was a long shot from Freddie C that bounced and was tapped in by Harvey E that lead to celebrations from the players on the pitch and the supporters in the stands. 2-2 at half time and the EMS team certainly jogged in looking the more buoyant. The second half was frenetic and both teams had chances. The eventual winner from Baden Powell came down to another top corner finish, this time from a free kick and unfortunately time ran out for EMS to find another goal.

The boys' performance was absolutely second to none, and they took a very strong side all the way with their effort, work rate and counter attacking football. They all came off the pitch knowing that they had given every ounce and all the squad contributed in the final. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the parents for their support, Mr Osborne for his work with the players and Verwood Town FC for sponsoring the school with their new kit.

Mr Brennan



All that is left is to wish you a great weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday.

Mr Rob Christopher and Mr Alister Barker