Activities Week 2022

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd July

All applications must be received
by Wednesday 2nd March 2022

The draw for places will take place by
Wednesday 9th March 2022

Students will be informed of the outcome by
Monday 14th March 2022

Welcome to our Activities Week Booklet 2022

On the following pages you will find details of all the activities that are on offer to students with our thanks to all the school staff who have worked very hard to make these activities possible.

Whilst every effort is taken to ensure that activities run as described, some changes may need to be made should circumstances alter, or if activities are under- or over-subscribed.

All activities are subject to a risk assessment and only reputable organisations are used which are suitably checked with qualified staff.

Why do we have Activities Week?

- It cultivates students' imagination and curiosity
- It fosters teamwork outside of usual peer groups
- It allows students to discover things for, and about themselves
- It promotes strategy and communication skills
- It enhances self-confidence and self-esteem
- It encourages organisational skills and trust in others
- It encourages self-awareness and social skills
- It helps self-discipline and motivation
- It advances responsibility and achievement
- It's fun!

What happens now?

- With your parents/carers, choose a first, second and third choice activity
- Make sure your parents/carers are happy with your choices, and with the cost!
- Complete the Application Form on the back page
- Put your Application Form into the box in Reception by **Wednesday 2nd March 2022**
- Places will be allocated on a first out of the 'hat' draw.

Worried about the cost?

Students eligible for Pupil Premium can claim a subsidy of up to 50% of the total cost. Instalments will be adjusted on ParentMail accordingly.

For any payment queries please contact our Finance Manager, Kellie Poole, as soon as possible via email: kpoole@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk or call on 01308 862633.

As always, any other concerns or queries should be raised with your son/daughter's Tutor in the first instance.

Important Information

Activities Week is part of the school year and so cannot be taken as holiday.

Students will be advised as soon as possible should a chosen activity be full and they will be placed on a waiting list for their next choice activity. This is why it is **essential** to make **three** selections in priority order.

HOW and WHEN TO PAY

Payment should be made by ParentMail +Pay on the dates indicated below

- You will receive an email through ParentMail with details of the cost and payment deadlines once places have been allocated
- You can pay by debit card or credit card
- You can pay in full

OR

- We offer payment by instalment - each instalment is 25% of the total cost due on

  18th March 2022
  18th April 2022
  18th May 2022
  10th June 2022

- You will receive a reminder via ParentMail each time a payment is due

A Capital Adventure

Activity Leader: **Mrs Rychnovsky**

Places Available: **15 - Open to Years 9 and 10**

Instalments:
£112.50 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£112.50 paid by 18th April 2022
£112.50 paid by 18th May 2022
£112.50 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£450**

Residential and School Based

We will set off by train to London on Monday to enjoy the delights of the example itinerary below. Overnight accommodation will be at a youth hostel in central London.

Mon: Travel by train to London
River Tour
Walk along South Bank

Tues: A tour of the Houses of Parliament
Walk around famous sites
Picnic in a London Park
Theatre Visit eg Wicked

Wed: Visit to an attraction eg Madame Tussauds
Visit to Trafalgar Square
Visit to Covent Garden and some shopping
Cinema visit

Thurs: London Eye or the Shard to see London's Skyline
Return to Dorset by train

Fri: A day to relax back in school, watch a film, play board games, a short local walk

Inclusive of three nights' accommodation, dinner, bed and breakfast, all attractions and theatre trip. Shopping trips will take place while walking between attractions.

The itinerary above is just an example of the activities we are likely to undertake and so may be subject to change.

Students will need to bring their own spending money for any ice creams, souvenirs etc.

NB: This enjoyable trip involves a considerable amount of walking between attractions.

Animal Magic

Activity Leader: **Mrs Fox**

Places Available: **15 - Open to Years 7 and 8**

Instalments:
£12.50 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£12.50 paid by 18th April 2022
£12.50 paid by 18th May 2022
£12.50 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£50**

School Based / Day Trips

Spend the week with Mrs Fox as we travel around Dorset

This week will include:

- A visit to Abbotsbury Swannery
- A day at the Donkey Sanctuary
- A seaside walk with Fish and Chips
- A walk around Beaminster with a picnic that you will prepare in school in the morning
- A visit to Vurlands Animal Farm

THE DONKEY SANCTUARY
WORKING WORLDWIDE

Around the World

Activity Leaders: **Mrs Walters and Miss Patten**

Places Available: **45 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£26.25 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£26.25 paid by 18th April 2022
£26.25 paid by 18th May 2022
£26.25 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£105**

School Based / Day Trips

Spend a week with us travelling around the world.

Come with us to Africa and experience all it has to offer with a safari trip to Longleat.

Travel the same roads as the Romans and see and experience the Roman Baths in Bath. You will also have time to shop like the Italians.

A picnic and show is the way to see Greece. A picnic lunch and then a matinee theatre performance of the UK and International tour of Mamma Mia in Bournemouth. Please note it will be a late return on this day.

Celebrate the USA with an American film and popcorn in school. There will also be an American challenge.

Help us mark the Queen's Jubilee with a day of all things British. Sipping teas (or lemonade), organise a street party on the field and enjoy some traditional English games. There may even be an ice cream in the afternoon to cool off.

Extreme Sports

Activity Leaders: **Mr Wagstaff and Mr Smith**

Places Available: **32 - Open to Year 10 only**

Instalments:
£58.75 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£58.75 paid by 18th April 2022
£58.75 paid by 18th May 2022
£58.75 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£235**

School Based / Day Trips

A variety of extreme sports. Activities may include:

- High and Low Ropes Course
- Paintballing
- Archery
- Go-karting
- Quad Biking
- Rib-riding
- Dorset Water Park

Final decisions about the activities will be taken following consultation with participants and consideration of costs.

Football Academy

Activity Leader: **Mr Donovan**

Places Available: **30 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£12.50 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£12.50 paid by 18th April 2022
£12.50 paid by 18th May 2022
£12.50 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£50**

School Based

This year the Football Academy will be concentrating solely on giving students a feeling of what it is like to be part of a major club on a permanent basis.

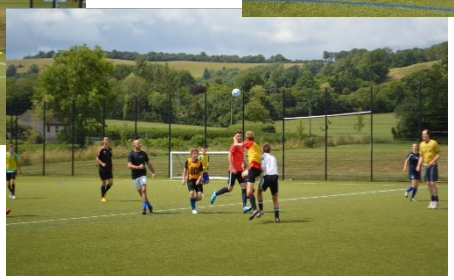
Students will take part in fitness sessions, work on their skills and techniques, play games to improve communication and teamwork.

A tournament will be run every afternoon, with the final day's session including a staff side.

If students do not like discipline, hard work and being part of a team then this will not be the activity for you so please do not apply.

Girls are equally as welcome as boys.

Footie4Dorset will be running the sessions and a female coach will be attending during the week.



Fun for Free

Activity Leaders: **A variety of leaders throughout the week!**

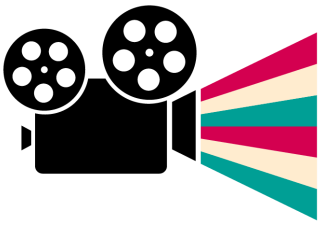
Places Available: **60 - Open to All Years**

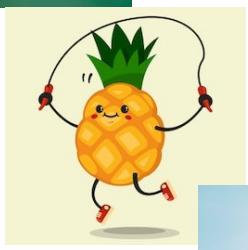
Total Cost:

School Based Activities

During the week there will be a variety of activities that students can choose from.

Morning and afternoon sessions will be run in a timetabled format where students can decide what they want to do. There will be a celebration at the end of the week so stay tuned!





Activities may include:

- Dodgeball
- Arts and Crafts
- Table Tennis
- Films
- Reading
- Board games
- Dance
- Music
- Lego building
- Fitness
- Baking
- Tennis
- Local walks

Fun with Food

Activity Leader: **Mrs Gibbs**

Places Available: **24 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£30 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£30 paid by 18th April 2022
£30 paid by 18th May 2022
£30 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£120**

School Based / Day Trips

If you are enthusiastic about food, adventurous with your cooking and enjoy variety then this will be the activity for you.

We hope to include:

- A visit to Longleat Safari Park to learn about predators and prey, and a visit to the house and park
- A 3D cake making challenge … ready, steady, bake!
- A chocolate workshop at Chococo, followed by a visit to Dorset water park
- Sweets and treats – a baking day at school
- Forest School – campfires, building dens, pizza, and toasted marshmallows!

Ghouls and Ghosts

Activity Leader: **Ms Jones**

Places Available: **45 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£26.25 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£26.25 paid by 18th April 2022
£26.25 paid by 18th May 2022
£26.25 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£105**

School Based / Day Trips

Spend the week seeking out the weird and wonderful. Travel through time with us as we venture into the unknown and learn about the history of some local areas.

The week will comprise of:

- A visit to Athelhampton House
- Shepton Mallet Prison and Escape rooms
- Nothe Fort to explore the historic corridors
- Spooky films in school

H2O Let's Go!

Activity Leader: **Mr Crossland**

Places Available: **30 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£58.75 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£58.75 paid by 18th April 2022
£58.75 paid by 18th May 2022
£58.75 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£235**

Day Trips / Residential

Try out:

- Coasteering
- Windsurfing / Stand Up Paddle Boarding
- Surfing
- Kayaking

This will be a combination of day trips to various centres, plus a residential trip to North Devon for two days of surfing and camping.

There will be expert tuition for all sporting activities.

The price includes all tuition, equipment and two nights' accommodation and food in Devon.

Students opting for this activity must have a good level of fitness, plenty of stamina, be prepared to camp and have a good swimming ability.

NB: Students must be able to swim 50m unaided!

Having a Blast

Activity Leaders: **Mrs Stone**

Places Available: **62 - Open to Years 7, 8 and 9**

Instalments:
£36.25 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£36.25 paid by 18th April 2022
£36.25 paid by 18th May 2022
£36.25 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£145**

Day Trips

Sign up for a week full of fun and adventure! Throughout the week you will: show off your sports skills, climb the day away, battle it out in a paintball arena and test out your bowling skills.

An idea of the program is:

Monday
Cinema Trip!

Tuesday
Go Ape at Moors Valley

Wednesday
Crealy Adventure Park

Thursday
Paintballing in Bere Regis

Friday
Having a blast at school

Let's Get Creative!

Activity Leaders: **Mrs Brent and Miss Hawkins**

Places Available: **22 - Open to Years 9 and 10**

Instalments:
£6.25 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£6.25 paid by 18th April 2022
£6.25 paid by 18th May 2022
£6.25 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£25**

Day Trips / School Based

We are offering a fun week of Art-related activities, exploring colours and textures in nature.

We will use materials in a range of exciting and challenging ways which will be of value to any current or future GCSE students, as well as anyone who enjoys art.

There will be opportunities to make art of different kinds, including making sculptural pieces.

We will have a day trip to an Art gallery to take part in a range of Art-based activities and exploring the surroundings.

We will also have a trip to the beach (weather permitting) to complete a series of sketches, paintings, making sculptures, and eating ice creams!

We will work outside - exploring, collecting and making sculptures - as well as a couple of workshop days based in the art rooms to create exciting mixed media pieces inspired by our trips and installation work.

In the past students choosing this activity have had a fun and productive week, improving their art skills and confidence, and creating some great art pieces in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

Multi-Activity Week

Activity Leader: **Ms Forster**

Places Available: **30 - Open to Year 7 and 8**

Instalments:
£107.50 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£107.50 paid by 18th April 2022
£107.50 paid by 18th May 2022
£107.50 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£430**

Residential

Spend a week at Beam House in Torrington, Devon with Ms Forster and the team from PGL experiencing a week of fun and challenging activities.

Departing on Monday and returning on Friday afternoon, the action packed week will include activities like:

- Abseiling
- Archery
- Challenge Course
- Climbing
- Problem solving
- Sensory trail
- Zipwire
- Giant swing
- Canoeing
- And much much more!

Price includes transport, accommodation, meals (except Monday where you will need to bring a packed lunch), all activities and evening entertainment.

Photography

Activity Leader: **Mr Haigh**

Places Available: **15 - Open to Years 9 and 10**

Instalments:
£16.25 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£16.25 paid by 18th April 2022
£16.25 paid by 18th May 2022
£16.25 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£65**

School Based / Day Trips

Welcome to a wonderful week of photographic fun.

We will begin with a brief introduction to making photographic images, with and without using cameras, Learn how to develop images in a traditional darkroom before embarking on some trips.

- Lacock Abbey, home of the English inventor of photography Fox Talbot
- Bristol, home of the Royal Photographic Society and one of the UK's premiere photographers, Magnum photographer Martin Parr where we may take part in a workshop about documentary photography and exhibition curating
- We will also head to the local Dorset wildlife site, Kingcombe, to try out some eco-friendly photography creating cyanotypes, anthrotypes and maybe even building a camera out of the local environment.

All photography materials, transport and entry fees are included in the cost for the week. Feel free to bring your own camera if you have one! We will have some at school for you to use if you don't have one.

Pools, Parks and Picnics

Activity Leader: **Mrs Van Niekerk**

Places Available: **62 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£28.75 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£28.75 paid by 18th April 2022
£28.75 paid by 18th May 2022
£28.75 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£115**

School Based / Day Trips

An activity for those who would like to experience a snapshot of five different adventures in five days.

The programme is likely to include:

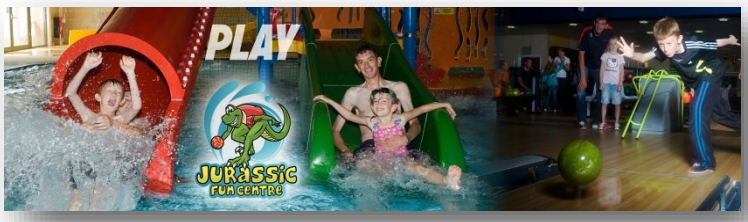
Monday
Freshwater Holiday Park—Swimming and Ten Pin Bowling

Tuesday
Brean Theme Park

Wednesday
Splashdown

Thursday
Longleat

Friday
The final day of the week!
We will be spending the day in school today and a surprise has been arranged for the day!



Racketeers

Activity Leader: **Mr Stevens**

Places Available: **36 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£5 Deposit paid by 18th March 2022
£5 paid by 18th April 2022
£5 paid by 18th May 2022
£5 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£20**

School Based

This is a fun filled week of activities involving Tennis, Badminton, Table Tennis and Movies. Equipment will be provided, though of course you can bring your own if you so wish.

Badminton You will be coached by a Badminton England UKCC Level 2 registered coach and learn how to do an overhead smash, high clear, and drop shots. You will learn how to develop strategies to win rallies. There will also be the opportunity to look at back hand shots as well as fun games and competitive play.

Tennis During the week you will focus on both forehand and backhand shots to include top spin and sliced returns. There will be coaching on service technique and the opportunity to play competitive matches.

Table Tennis Learn the art of spin!! During the week you will play competitive and fun games of doubles!!

All you need is a little hand eye coordination and fear not, even if you have never played before, guess what, there will be expert help and advice on hand!!

Movies During the afternoons we have some chilled time and watch a movie! Then we'll do some more racket sports!!!

At the end of the week we have a big party where we all bring in some food and give out the trophies for competition winners.

Rambling with the Randalls

Activity Leaders: **Mr and Mrs Randall**

Places Available: **14 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£5 Deposit paid by 18th March 2022
£5 paid by 18th April 2022
£5 paid by 18th May 2022
£5 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£20**

Day Trips

Come rambling with the Randalls as we explore the local footpaths.

Walking from school, we will take in the Dorset countryside on daily walks.

Ice creams by the seaside is also a must after a long walk (don't worry, we won't make you walk back to school as well!).

Student's will need to bring a packed lunch each day and have waterproofs and sturdy footwear.

A reasonable level on fitness is required.

Sailing

Activity Leader: **Mrs Walton**

Places Available: **15 - Open to All Years**

Instalments:
£46.25 **Deposit** paid by 18th March 2022
£46.25 paid by 18th April 2022
£46.25 paid by 18th May 2022
£46.25 paid by 10th June 2022

Total Cost: **£185**

This activity would normally cost £325 per person but funding has been secured through Andrew Simpson Sailing so the price is heavily reduced.

Day Trips

Royal Yachting Association Stage 1 and 2 Qualification

We will be travelling to Portland each day to Andrew Simpson Sailing at the Olympic Sailing Centre.

All equipment provided.

No experience required.

Weymouth and Portland's National Sailing Academy is one of the world's greatest sailing venues.

ACTIVITIES WEEK 2022
APPLICATION FORM

Please complete fully and return to Reception by
Wednesday 2nd March 2022

All students in Years 7-10 must complete an application form
Places on activities will be allocated by a random draw

All students must make 3 choices by putting 1st, 2nd, 3rd to indicate their preferred activity

Student Name: …… Tutor Group: …….

Activity	**Cost**	**YOU MUST CHOOSE THREE ACTIVITIES** Indicate preferred order 1-3
A Capital Adventure	£450	
Animal Magic	£50	
Around the World	£105	
Extreme Sports	£235	
Football Academy	£50	
Fun for Free	Free!	
Fun with Food	£120	
Ghouls and Ghosts	£105	
H20 Lets Go!	£235	
Having a Blast	£145	
Let's Get Creative!	£25	
Multi-Activity Week	£430	
Photography	£65	
Pools, Parks and Picnics	£115	
Racketeers	£20	
Rambling with the Randalls	£20	
Sailing	£185	

Parent/Carer Name:

Signature:	**Date:**

Notes

- The draw for places will take place by **Wednesday 9th March 2022**
- Students notified of the outcome of the draw by **Monday 14th March 2022**
- The deposit to be paid by **Friday 18th March 2022**
- If a student's first and/or second choice is full they will be put on their next choice of activity
- Students will be placed on a waiting list for their first choice activity