

Activities Week 2026

MONDAY 20TH JULY

TUESDAY 21ST JULY

WEDNESDAY 22ND JULY

All applications must be received
by **Wednesday 7th January 2026**

**Once your chosen activity is
allocated it will NOT be possible
to swap**

The draw for places will take place on
Friday 9th January 2026

Students will be informed of the outcome by
Monday 19th January 2026



Welcome to our Activities Week Booklet 2026

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 as once the draw has taken place you will not be allowed to swap.
- Complete the Application Form on the back page
- Put your Application Form into the box in Reception by **Wednesday 7th January 2026**
- 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% to a maximum of £125. Instalments will be adjusted on ParentMail accordingly.

For any payment queries please contact our Finance Manager, Kellie Poole, as soon as possible via email: kpooles@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
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 of what the student wishes to do.

Notes

- The draw for places will take place by **Friday 9th January 2026**
- Students will be notified of the outcome of the draw by **Monday 19th January 2026**
- Deposits to be paid by **1st February 2026**
- If a student's first and/or second choice is full they will be put on their next choice of activity

HOW and WHEN TO PAY

All payments must be made via ParentMail.

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

OR

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

1st February 2026

1st March 2026

1st April 2026

1st May 2026

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



An Alliterative Adventure

Activity Leaders: Ms Rollick and the staff within the English department

Places Available: 45 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £22.50 by 1st February 2026
£22.50 by 1st March 2026
£22.50 by 1st April 2026
£22.50 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £90.00

Day Trips:

Monday: Monkeying Monday - A visit to Monkey World

Tuesday: Tram Tuesday - A day out on the Tram

Wednesday: Buffet Bristol - A visit to Za Za Bazaar



Animal Magic

Activity Leader: Mr Hyde

Places Available: 15 - Open to Years 7, 8 and 9

Instalments: £12.50 by 1st February 2026
£12.50 by 1st March 2026
£12.50 by 1st April 2026
£12.50 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £50.00

Day Trips:

Spend days travelling around Dorset.

The week will include:

- A visit to Monkey World
- A day at Exmoor Zoo
- A trip to The Donkey Sanctuary and a coastal visit to Beer



Around the World

Activity Leader: Ms Crabb

Places Available: 45 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £22.50 by 1st February 2026
£22.50 by 1st March 2026
£22.50 by 1st April 2026
£22.50 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £90.00

Day Trips:

Spend three days with us travelling around the world.

Spend a day celebrating World Food at Za Za Bazaar, Bristol with a visit to the SS Great Britain.

Join us on our Africa Day at Longleat.

All things USA - Ten pin bowling with lunch provided, followed by a movie.



Brushstrokes and Battlefields

Activity Leaders: Mr Vine and Mr Langford

Places Available: 48 - Open to All years

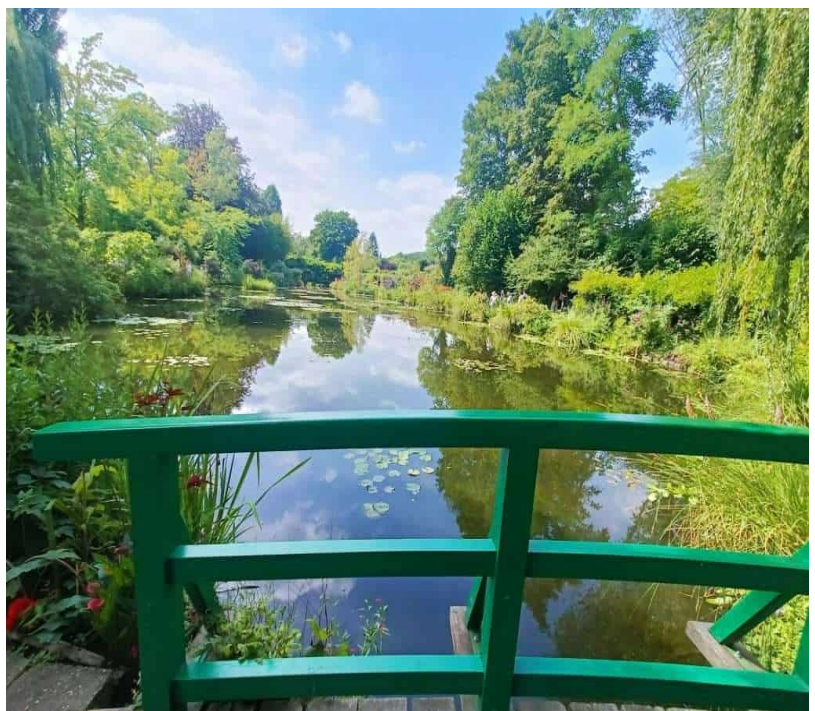
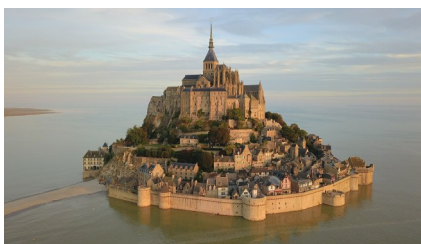
Instalments: **£137.50** by 1st February 2026
 £137.50 by 1st March 2026
 £137.50 by 1st April 2026
 £137.50 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: **£550.00**

Residential Trip:

Come and join us on a trip to Normandy.

- Four days, three nights—19th July to 22nd July.
- Portsmouth to Caen (coach from Beaminster)
- Mont St Michel, Pointe du Hoc, Monet's Gardens, Bayeaux Cathedral, Supermarket, Bayeaux Market, Mont St Michel Abbey



Dungeons and Dragons

Activity Leader: Dr. Edwards

Places Available: 20 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £12.00 by 1st February 2026
£12.00 by 1st March 2026
£12.00 by 1st April 2026
£12.00 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £48.00

School Based / Day Trips

Come and join in some dungeons and dragons fun.

Two days are school based and one day we will be heading off to the Ancient Technology Centre for some medieval fun: rope making, black smithing, fire-lighting. Dungeons and dragons in their longhouse.



Extreme Sports

Activity Leader: Mr Wagstaff

Places Available: 32 - Open to Year 10 only

Instalments: £40.00 by 1st February 2026
£40.00 by 1st March 2026
£40.00 by 1st April 2026
£40.00 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £160.00

Day Trips:

A variety of extreme sports. Activities may include:

- Mudtrail
- Paintballing
- Go-Karting
- 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 Hobby

Places Available: 32 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £20.00 by 1st February 2026
£20.00 by 1st March 2026
£20.00 by 1st April 2026
£20.00 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £80.00

School Based / Day Trips:

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, and participate in day tournaments.

Our away days will involve footgolf, Bridport Leisure Centre and a trip to Dorset Adventure Sports.

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

This activity is open to both girls and boys.



Fun with Food

Activity Leader: Mrs Gibbs

Places Available: 26 - Open to All Years

Instalments: **£26.25** by 1st February 2026
 £26.25 by 1st March 2026
 £26.25 by 1st April 2026
 £26.25 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: **£105.00**

School Based / Day Trips:

This trip is perfect if you enjoy cooking, eating and learning about food.

Activities will include:

- A DNA workshop at We the Curious in Bristol followed by a visit to Za Za Bazaar to eat foods from around the world.
- A chocolate themed school-based day making chocolate goodies to take home.
- A day at Longleat Safari Park including a diet and habitats workshop.



Games

Activity Leaders: To be confirmed

Places Available: 40 - Open to All Years



Total Cost:

School Based Activities:

Monday	Games
Tuesday	Army day - camouflage yourself, live in a field
Wednesday	Games

On Games days there will be a variety of activities for students to choose from. Morning and afternoon sessions will be run in a timetabled format where students can decide what they would like to do. The army day will be for everyone.

Activities may include:

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



Dodgeball Start of Game



PGL Adventure

Activity Leader: Ms Forster

Places Available: 20 - Open to All Years

Instalments: **£ 75.00** by 1st February 2026
 £ 75.00 by 1st March 2026
 £ 75.00 by 1st April 2026
 £ 75.00 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £300.00

Residential:

Three days and two nights at Osmington Bay (Monday to Wednesday).

Get involved in gigantic adventures on the Jurassic Coast.

Take part in water sports at the National Sailing Centre in Weymouth.



Pools, Parks and Picnics

Activity Leader: Mr Taylor

Places Available: 45 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £32.50 by 1st February 2026
£32.50 by 1st March 2026
£32.50 by 1st April 2026
£32.50 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £130.00

Day Trips:

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

The programme is likely to include:

Monday: Crealy Theme Park

Tuesday: Splashdown

Wednesday: Devon Activity Centre



Racketeers

Activity Leader: Mr Stevens

Places Available: 36 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £6.75 by 1st February 2026
£6.75 by 1st March 2026
£6.75 by 1st April 2026
£6.75 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £27.00

School Based:

This is a fun-filled three days 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 backhand shots as well as fun games and competitive play.

Tennis

During the three days 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.

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!!!

On the final day we have a big party with food and lots of trophies given out to competition winners.



Sailing

Activity Leader: Mrs Walton

Places Available: 24 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £41.25 by 1st February 2026
£41.25 by 1st March 2026
£41.25 by 1st April 2026
£41.25 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £165.00

Day Trips:

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

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 is provided.

No experience required.

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



SENsory Explorers

Activity Leaders: Mrs Wagstaff, Mr Clements

Places Available: 14 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £8.75 by 1st February 2026
£8.75 by 1st March 2026
£8.75 by 1st April 2026
£8.75 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £35.00

Day Trips:

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SEALIFE CENTRE

- Watch the seals being fed
- Touch a starfish

MAKE PIZZAS

DESIGN AND BUILD A ROCKET

ROCKET LAUNCHING CHALLENGE

BOWLING

GO TO THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, VISIT MCDONALD'S

This is an inclusive trip being run by our SEN specialists

Sewing Bee

Activity Leader: Mrs Da Costa

Places Available: 15 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £5.00 by 1st February 2026
£5.00 by 1st March 2026
£5.00 by 1st April 2026
£5.00 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £20.00

School Based:

Over the 3 days you will get to design and make a tie dye festival inspired T shirt, print your own fabric gifts, make a bag (not a tote!) - have a go at printing using the sun to make a phone/tablet holder' and if time allows make some cushions or even a skirt. If you have a different project in mind you would like to make, do come and speak to me.



Skater Week

Activity Leader: Ms Smith

Places Available: 12 - Open to All Years

Instalments: £25.00 by 1st February 2026
£25.00 by 1st March 2026
£25.00 by 1st April 2026
£25.00 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £100.00

Day Trips:

This week is not for the faint-hearted as there is lots of skating, this is a week for those of you ready to push yourself to the limits!

The fab days out planned are:

Monday

Project Climbing and Parkour in Poole

Tuesday

The Front Skate Park, Weymouth - supervised skating and scooting with a provider.

Wednesday

Prevail Skate Park, Poole - four hours of supervised skating and scooting with a provider.

Students will need to have their own scooter/skateboard, a helmet and knee/elbow pads.



Watersports Adventure

Activity Leader: Mr Crossland

Places Available: 31 - Open to Years 8, 9 and 10

Instalments: £40.00 by 1st February 2026
£40.00 by 1st March 2026
£40.00 by 1st April 2026
£40.00 by 1st May 2026

Total Cost: £160.00

Day Trips:

Includes:

Windsurfing
Paddleboarding
Sea Kayaking
Coasteering
Splashdown.



Three days of fabulous fun enjoying watersports around the coast of Dorset. Including a day with Adventure 4 All, Portland to do some coasteering and Sea kayaking. A day at Splashdown waterpark in Poole. A day at the Official Test Centre learning to windsurf at one of England's main Olympic windsurf training facilities.

Students opting for this activity must have a good level of fitness, plenty of stamina, and **must be able to swim 50m unaided.**





ACTIVITIES WEEK 2026 APPLICATION FORM



Please complete fully and return to Reception by
Wednesday 7th January 2026 at the latest

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
Please only choose activities that you wish to go on as you will not be able to swap this year.

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

Student Name: **Tutor Group:**

Activity	Cost	YOU <u>MUST</u> CHOOSE <u>THREE</u> ACTIVITIES Indicate preferred order 1 st , 2 nd 3 rd
An Alliterative Adventure	£90	
Animal Magic	£50	
Around the World	£90	
Brushstrokes and Battlefields	£550	
Dungeons and Dragons	£48	
Extreme Sports	160	
Football Academy	£80	
Fun with Food	£105	
Games	FREE	
PGL Adventure—Osmington Bay	£300	
Pools, Parks and Picnics	£130	
Racketeers	£27	
Sailing	£165	
SENSory Explorers	£35	
Sewing Bee	£20	
Skater Week	£100	
Watersports Adventure	£160	
Is there anything that we need to be made aware of to allow your child to take part in Activities Week?	YES / NO	COMMENT:
Parent/Carer Name:		
Signature:		Date: