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Head Teacher: Mrs Paula Fearn

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Dear Parents

I hope you all had a great Easter break, welcome back to the summer term of St Mary's.

We have had a good first week back at school and it has been lovely to have such warm and sunny weather.

### Pupil's Disco

We hope all the children enjoyed the Disco last night, we had a really good turn out and they all seemed to be having a great time. Thank you to the PTA for organising this event.

### Year 1 trip to Thorncombe Wood

Year 1 went on a trip to Thorncombe Wood today where they met forest rangers, went for a walk into the woodland and did various woodland craft activities. They were very lucky with the weather.

### Friday morning Coffee

A reminder about our parent's drop-in coffee mornings on Fridays, all are welcome to come along for a chat and a tea and coffee. It is held at drop-off time on Friday mornings in the Kidszone building.

### Year 3 trip to Nothe Fort

Our Year 3 have a trip to Nothe Fort on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May which they are really looking forward to as they are currently learning about WW2.

### Year 4 Residential trip

Our Year 4 pupils are getting excited about their Residential trip to Springhead 2<sup>nd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> May, please could any final payments be made to the school office.

### Farewell to Dippy

Please see overleaf information from the DASP music service which you may be interested in.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Paula Fearn  
Head Teacher

**Information below from DASP music:**

Children within the DASP schools are invited to take part in the exciting 'Farewell Celebration for Dippy the Dinosaur' on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May**.

As you know Dippy has been resident at the Dorset County Museum since February as part of the national Dippy on Tour project. He will be leaving Dorchester in early May to move on to his next stop on the tour, in Birmingham.

The Dorset County Museum would like to invite the children of Dorchester to join them in a 'Farewell Celebration for Dippy', which will be centred around the singing of the *Dippy the Dinosaur* song, written by DASP Music Coordinator, Hanna Trevorrow. Resources for the song can be found here: <http://www.daspmusic.co.uk/resources-for-classroom-teachers.html>

All children will need to be accompanied by an adult throughout the entire event (both at Brewery Square and at the museum). At Brewery Square, there is no limit to the numbers of audience that can watch the performance of the song. In the museum, due to space restrictions, each child will only be allowed to be accompanied by one adult.

The number of children who may take part is limited to 300 and is open to anyone in years 1-6. Places will be allocated on a **first come, first served basis and registration is required by this Monday coming**.

It is very important that all children who take part, know the song really well off-by-heart (there is likely to be close-up video footage). They will need to copy the actions on the Skylarks video which can be found on the song resource page.

At present, the details for the event are as follows, but please be warned that exact timings may change slightly:

Date: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May

4pm-4.30pm: Meet at the fountains in Brewery Square (collect and put on T-shirts)

4.30pm: Sing the Dippy song at Brewery Square

4.40pm: Walk in procession from Brewery Square to the Dorset County Museum via South Street

5.15pm: 'Dippy farewell celebration' at the museum including singing of the Dippy song, speeches and refreshments for children

Approx. 6pm: Event ends

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in this exciting and unique event in Dorchester, please sign them up using this online form by next Monday at the latest:

<https://goo.gl/forms/MU30zx7CPnfD6eQ53>