



# Three Legged Cross First and Nursery School

Also at: [www.3lxschool.com](http://www.3lxschool.com)

## Newsletter

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Number 8



### Dress for the weather!

Please be prepared for the changeable weather. Waterproof coats may still be required, so either keep an eye on the forecast or bring a thin foldable waterproof coat anyway. Always apply long lasting sunscreen if we are lucky enough to enjoy some sunny days, before the school day starts.

### **Final call! Behaviour support information for parents**

David Sharpe, our specialist teacher for behaviour, is leading a session for parents on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026 3-4pm** in our school hall. David will discuss typical behaviours children may display, the emotions behind them and techniques for supporting emotional development. He is fascinating to listen to and has many interesting stories and scenarios that are really thought-provoking. Please contact Susannah at the office to book a place. Please note this session is for adults only.

For forest learning, children will continue to wear wellingtons and long trousers and tops. As we are a rural school, we need to be tick aware. Find out more about tick safety here:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/694157/PHE\\_Tick\\_Awareness\\_Toolkit.PDF](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/694157/PHE_Tick_Awareness_Toolkit.PDF) or

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2014/03/24/tips-and-tricks-to-stay-safe-from-ticks/>

For our nursery learners, light coloured cotton long sleeved tops and looser trousers help keep the children cool.

Please remember closed toed shoes only are suitable for an active school day. We don't mind trainer style shoes, but please make sure they are totally black with no obvious logos.

Please tie long hair back at all times with plain black or school coloured hair bands, not large party bows.

For safety, sunglasses should not be used in school unless there is a medical reason. Please bring a named, peaked sun hat instead. School logo sun hats are available from the office for £4.

*Information about our uniform is available here:*

<https://3lxschool.com/our-uniform/>

**MAKE SURE ALL UNIFORM ITEMS ARE NAMED!** In the hot weather, the children are highly likely to remove their jumpers and if they are not named, it is impossible to return items to the correct owner, as we have in excess of one hundred school jumpers on the school site. If you use a pen to write the name in, even a permanent pen, please check that it is still clearly visible after washing.

Unfortunately, the school cannot accept responsibility for lost items.

**Does your child have a named PE and forest kit in school? Please make sure that these are in school every day.**

### **3LX Friends**

**Thank you for supporting our school events. Find out about fundraising activities at the end of the newsletter.**

### **Lunch time packed lunch drinks**

**If your child is having a packed lunch, please send a lunchtime drink into school as part of their packed lunch.**

### **Uniform orders for September**

Please order your uniform items early. Remember the school office will be closed during the summer break. Therefore, the last day for school based uniform orders is Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

You will then receive the ordered items by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July (the last day of term).

The school office is fully closed in the school holidays.

The new school year

Middle and first school place offer day was 16<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

You will have received notification directly from Dorset Council, our admissions authority.

If you have a place in our reception class in September 2026, we will write to you soon with information about starting school.

You will be invited to a welcome meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 5.00pm

At the meeting, we will give some information about the reception class and there will be an opportunity to look around the classroom and ask questions.

### Community information

Please see an information leaflet from Verwoodians on Waste included at the end of this newsletter.

### Dates for the diary

Please access the school website for up to date details of school term dates: <https://3lxschool.com/calendar/>.

Friends of 3LX information is posted on their Facebook page.

2026	
23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026	Year 1 HAT athletics festival
23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026	Child behaviour workshop for parents 3-4pm: Contact Susannah to book
24 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Scooters and Skateboards with Team Rubicon in school
27 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	'Bags to School' collection
21 <sup>st</sup> May 2026	Year R class assembly at 9am <b>*Please note change of date!</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	School closed for staff training
25 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	May HALF TERM 2026
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	KS2 swimming starts- repeats every Thursday
8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	School starters Reception 26 information evening 5pm
10 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Friends of 3LX summer disco
17 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Bikeability for KS2- bikes and helmets needed in school!
23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2026	Summer fayre 1:30pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2026	Sports day
6 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Open afternoon 3pm
17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Last day of term- school finishes at usual time. No after school club.
20 <sup>th</sup> July to 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2026	SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2026
1 <sup>st</sup> September 2026	School closed for staff training
2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2026	Autumn term begins for children
26 <sup>th</sup> October to 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2026	October HALF TERM 2026
21 <sup>st</sup> December to 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2027	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 2026
15 <sup>th</sup> February to 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2027	February HALF TERM 2027
30 <sup>th</sup> March to 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2027	EASTER HOLIDAY 2027
31 <sup>st</sup> May to 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2027	May HALF TERM 2027
22 <sup>nd</sup> July to September 2027	SUMMER HOLIDAY 2027 (may vary due to staff training dates tbc)

Paper copies of newsletters are available if requested via the office.



**The Heath Academy Trust** *inspire transform together*

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# APRIL 2026 NEWSLETTER



## Fundraising news

Spring is finally here and its a busy term of events.

The summer fayre is fast approaching, our second biggest event of the year. Any donations for the tombola or teddies are all welcome. If you would like to get involved please let us know, everyone is welcome.

We are also continuing with our work at the pond and in the raised beds around school. We will be creating bug hotels with the children and planting flowers to encourage wildlife.

## Upcoming events:



27/04 Bags2 School collection



01/05 Tuck Shop



04/05 Start of Penny Wars  
(info to come soon)



21/05 Tuck Shop



10/06 Disco



23/06 Summer Fayre

## Bags2School

Raising funds for Three Legged Cross First & Nursery School

**UNWANTED CLOTHING COLLECTION**

27<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Please drop off in bags at Three Legged Cross School gates between 8am - 8.45am

\*please do not leave bags outside before or after the times provided

Currently accepting:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts

**NOT ACCEPTED:-**

- Duvelts and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Bed Linen or towels
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material



## PTFA Meeting

We have our pre-fayre meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> of April, if you like to get involved please email us at [friendsof3lx@outlook.com](mailto:friendsof3lx@outlook.com). We would love to see you there.

Meeting Time

## Garden

Please email us at [friendsof3lx@outlook.com](mailto:friendsof3lx@outlook.com) if you can help



**DONATIONS FOR THE SCHOOL GARDEN**

**WE'RE PREPARING THE RAISED BEDS FOR SPRING PLANTING. EXTRA WILD FLOWERS OR COMPOST WOULD BE A HUGE HELP. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR GARDEN.**

## Stay in touch



Please make sure to join our facebook group, "Friends of Three Legged Cross First and Nursery"



Every class also has a whatsapp group, please email us at [friendsof3lx@outlook.com](mailto:friendsof3lx@outlook.com) with your name and phone number to be added

# VERWOODIANS ON WASTE

REDUCE | REUSE | INSPIRE

# THE BIG CLOTHES SWAP

1 pm - 2.30 pm 25th April 2026

St Michael's Parish Rooms, Manor Road,  
Verwood BH31 6DZ

Bring along your unwanted clothes 10-11.45am and earn points  
Return at 1pm to swap your points for a new wardrobe. All free  
No points? No problem! come at 2pm and take what is left.



For more eco-friendly tips, join  
**Verwoodians on Waste** Facebook Group  
or visit [www.vowverwood.com](http://www.vowverwood.com)

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