

# St Mary's CofE Primary School

"I can do all things"

Living Together, Learning Forever, Loving God's Creation

Friday 18th July 2025

**Newsletter 18** 

Our core Christian Values: Compassion, Koinonia (Community), Courage, Creativity, Service, Truthfulness

## **Message from Mrs Parsons and Mr Thomson**

As we reach the end of the academic year, we want to thank you for your continued support, encouragement, and partnership. St. Mary's is a community built on care, ambition, and shared purpose and it is this unity that helps our children thrive each day.

This has been a year of real pride and celebration. Our pupils have achieved so much through their learning, kindness, creativity, and the positive way they contribute to school life. They truly embody our vision, *"I can do all things,"* and we are incredibly proud of the individuals they are becoming.

We were thrilled to receive an Outstanding judgement in all areas in our Ofsted inspection earlier this year. Inspectors described St. Mary's as *"an exceptionally inclusive environment"* with an *"ambitious curriculum"*, where *"every adult wants the very best for every single pupil."* Just five years ago, we were rated Inadequate. This transformation is a testament to the dedication of our staff, governors, pupils, and families. It reflects the strength of our shared vision, high expectations, and the caring ethos at the heart of our school. We are proud of all that has been achieved and excited to continue building on this success.

Our academic outcomes reflect this journey. This year's results were once again well above national averages:

- EYFS: 86% achieved a 'Good Level of Development'
- Phonics: 89% pass rate
- Multiplication Check: Mean average score of 21 out of 25
- Year 6 SATs: 73% met Age Related Expectations in Reading, Writing and Maths combined

These outcomes are the result of high-quality teaching, an ambitious curriculum, and a strong culture of aspiration. Combined with our Ofsted judgement, they place us firmly among the top primary schools nationally, which is something we can all be proud of.

A special mention goes to our fantastic Year 6 pupils, who have been excellent role models. They have shown maturity, compassion, and positivity throughout their time here. As they move on to secondary school, we are confident they will continue to grow and make a difference. We send them off with our very best wishes and hope they will return to visit and remember St. Mary's with pride.

We would also like to thank everyone who supports our school behind the scenes: to our parent and community volunteers who help with reading, trips, and classroom activities; to our dedicated governing body; and to all our parents and carers. Your support plays a vital role in your children's success and in the life of our school.

Finally, our heartfelt thanks go to our exceptional staff team. Their dedication, energy, and belief in every child make St. Mary's the remarkable place it is. They go above and beyond every day, not only delivering excellent teaching but also nurturing pupils' confidence, wellbeing, and curiosity. We are incredibly proud of all they do.

Looking ahead, St. Mary's continues to go from strength to strength. We are excited to welcome more pupils in September and proud to see our school once again becoming the first choice for so many local families. Our vision remains ambitious and inclusive, and we look forward to building on this year's success.

We wish all our families a well-earned and restful summer break. We look forward to seeing many of you in September. To those moving on, thank you for being part of the St. Mary's community. You leave with our warmest wishes for the future.

## End of Year Message (part 2)

In addition to our outstanding Ofsted report and exceptional academic achievements, this academic year has been filled with lots of other memorable highlights that have enriched our school community. From inspiring events to unique learning opportunities, our pupils have continued to thrive and grow far beyond the classroom. One page could never do justice to all that we've accomplished together!

### Performances

Opportunities to perform, speak, and share learning have flourished this year. Highlights include:

- EYFS and KS1 Nativities magical productions full of charm and confidence
- Year 6 End-of-Year Performance an unforgettable display of talent and teamwork
- Foxes Harvest Service and Lions Easter Service moments of reflection and celebration
- Christingle Service an annual, festive favourite community event
- Class Assemblies regular opportunities for children to lead and share
- Participation in regional speaking competitions such as the Poetry Slam, Mid-Somerset Festival, and Speak Out Challenge, where our children shone as confident, articulate performers and speakers

### **Events and Special Days**

Throughout the year, a rich calendar of events has provided opportunities for learning, empathy, and creativity:

- Art Exhibition showcasing pupil creativity and expression
- Jeans for Genes, Show Racism the Red Card, Hello Yellow, and Anti-Bullying Day – supporting key national causes and encouraging empathy and awareness
- **The Nest Project** a great local charity that supports children under the age of 5 we collected a lot of toiletries! Thank you
- NSPCC Number Day and Move a Mile combining fun with fundraising
- Book Week celebrating our passion for reading
- Great Timsbury Bake-Off a fantastic community and culinary event
- Internet Safety Week and Children's Mental Health Week teaching vital life skills
- **PTA Christmas Fayre** and **Summer Fayre** strengthening community connections by fundraising for the school
- **Forest School Structure** thank you for the generous donation from the Fisher family and the PTA
- **Spring & Summer Outside Tidy** parents volunteers & year 6 have done a marvellous job, creating a mud kitchen in the forest school, prepared wood & kindling and had a general tidy up.
- **New Flower & Vegetable Beds** a community effort, with soil, wheel barrows, railway sleepers, plants and seeds all donated.



## End of Year Message (part 3)

### **Enriching Trips and Residentials**

This year has also been filled with memorable educational visits and residentials, including:

- **PGL Residential** and **Folly Farm Residential** life-long memories and opportunities to build independence and resilience
- Egg Theatre, Dance Umbrella, and KS2 Music Trip to Bath enriching our cultural curriculum
- Roman Baths Trip, Bath Abbey, and Downside Classics Day deepening historical and spiritual understanding
- **SS Great Britain** and the **Bristol Justice Trip** bringing history and citizenship to life
- Wells Cathedral and Longleat offering awe, wonder, and hands-on experiences
- Lifeskills Centre equipping children with knowledge for real-life situations

### Sporting Events

Sport and physical activity continue to be an important part of life at St. Mary's. This year, our children have taken part in a wide range of events:

- Boys' and Girls' Football Teams competing in local tournaments
- Netball including a run to the semi-final of the cup!
- Cricket at Downside School enjoying the surroundings and competing locally
- Quad Kids Athletics a competition for our strongest athletes
- Swimming Gala a chance for our best swimmers to compete
- Bikeability supporting road safety and cycling skills
- **Sports Day** a celebration of sport, teamwork, and community spirit.

### House Points Winners

Emerald were awarded the final term House Team winners! Well done Team **Emerald** 

### Attendance Winners

Well done to **Lions** who received the title of Attendance Champions last week, this week's Champions are **Rabbits** with 100% a perfect finish to the year!

WOW fantastic effort.

We celebrated all the children who have attended school every day this academic year & those whose attendance has improved

significantly. They were invited to join Mr Thomson for Hot Chocolate as a treat.

Willow M, Imogen H, Joe B, Arthur E, Maggie M, Willow V, Florence, Teddy, Dexter WG, Lowen, Spencer, Rosie & Bea!



### Summer Fayre - PTA

#### It was a hot one!

What an amazing turn out with lots of families staying to take part in the games, enjoy the food, beautiful face painting and lots more! As usual the Jolly Jars and Rainbow Raffle were a huge success - thank you so much for your support. **The PTA raised £853.87** that covered the cost of the Wonderdome for all the children to experience this week. The remainder will be spent enriching and enhancing

If you have any fundraising ideas, would like to meet other parents and get involved in the PTA, please get in touch with Stef Mills - Whether you can give an hour or a day .....new member's welcome!

the children's time at St Mary's.



### Headteacher's Award

Congratulations to all the children who received a Headteacher Award - keep up the great work!

Ducklings	Ruby C, Oscar & George		
Rabbits	Jacob, Harry		
Badgers	Amelie, Bea		
Foxes	Oscar, Flo, Robin & Dexter		
Lions	Casper, Pippi		
Eagles	Charlie, Edith		





### **Outside Achievements**



This newsletter we would like to celebrate the outside achievements of :

- Isabel for achieving a 5 m swim and Olivia for achieving a 10 m swim,
- Noah, Harrison, Ben & Spencer received a medals for competing in a Football tournament and Harrison also had a medal for his Dart skills
- Violet received a certificate for being Awesome and Tallulah for her Football Trophy

Well done to all of you!



Wow, we can not believe it is the end of term already but what a fantastic year we have had in Hedgehogs. We have managed to pack in lots of fun and special times these last two weeks. We have enjoyed trips to our woodland area, the big playground and the big field, making the most of the lovely weather we have had. We all enjoyed dressing up as colours from the Rainbow for **Rainbow Day** and we also spent time painting a big colourful rainbow which every child in Hedgehogs helped to make.

Last week's book focus was 'What the Ladybird Heard by the Seaside' Written by Julia Donaldson and Lydia Monks. This is a marvelous summer themed book which has also got us talking about the importance of friendships and sticking together to help each other out. Our 'Word of the Week' from our book was 'perhaps'.

We are so proud of our older Hedgehogs who have enjoyed settling in sessions in their new Reception classes, every one of them showing a positive attitude and thoroughly enjoying their visits. We all really enjoyed our leaver's party this week and it was nice to celebrate our wonderful Hedgehogs who will be leaving us, although a little emotional as we will miss them so much!

We want to thank you all for an amazing year and we hope you have a brilliant summer. The Hedgehogs going up to school we wish you the best of luck and we can not wait to hear all about it! Those of you staying with us, we can not wait to see you again in September.

Mrs Harrison & Miss James



# **Ducklings**



Thank you so much Ducklings for an amazing year. It has been so lovely to watch you grow and develop in confidence and I will miss you all so much.

We had a fun packed end of term and visited Longleat Safari Park last week. The children had time to explore and ask lots of questions. We attended an animal workshop and held a cockroach, a snake and guinea pigs. We took a boat trip around the lake and fed sea lions with some very stinky fish. The lorikeets loved the nectar we fed them and jumped up on to us. We cooled off on a very hot day by enjoying some time at the splash pad. I am so proud of the children for such good behaviour. Well done Ducklings.

We have been recapping and revising all of the exciting learning we have achieved in Reception. In Literacy we have read 'Dear Zoo' and written letters to request a new pet.This week we are writing about our favourite animal that we saw at Longleat. On Friday, the children enjoyed our **Rainbow Day** celebrations. We made colourful flags and joined the school for a Rainbow parade. It was lots of fun.

It was fantastic to see so many of you at the summer fair. Thank you for supporting all of our events this year.

I wish you all a wonderful summer holiday and Good Luck in Year One!

Mrs Gillard





# Rabbits



#### **Class News:**

What a fantastic year we have had in Rabbits! They have all been a pleasure to teach and have proved just how ready they are for Year Two through their growing independence and readiness to tackle more challenging learning.

The last couple of weeks have been filled with so many exciting events with our class favourite being our trip to **Longleat**. We had a fantastic time at Longleat and we had the opportunity to see lots of different animals. We all enjoyed cooling down on this hot day by playing in the splash pad! This week we have been writing our recounts all about our day at Longleat.

There have been so many wonderful events over the past two weeks. We really enjoyed the **Wonderdome** that was set up for us by the PTA. Rabbits were amazed and loved learning all about space! We also had a great time learning and joining in with the pride parade on **Rainbow Day**.

Finally, a massive thank you to all the parents for all of your support across the year. I hope you all have a wonderful summer break.

Good luck for Year Two, Rabbits!

Miss Tolfree

## Badgers Class News:



Thank you Badgers for such a super year! You have all worked so hard and made such good progress since September. You should all be very proud of yourselves.

We have had a brilliant final two weeks with so much fun and learning packed in. Badgers are excited to share all of the things they have enjoyed in the last two weeks. Albie has enjoyed doing guided reading as a class and answering questions on our book 'Oliver and the Seawigs'. Harrison has enjoyed RE and learning all about the naming ceremonies Humanists hold to celebrate their baby being born. Ben and Charlie have both enjoyed their times tables and moving up through the sheets. All of the Badgers class are sad to be leaving Year Two, but are very excited to be joining Foxes in September.

Following our trip to the **SS Great Britain**, Badgers have been working





on writing a detailed recount in chronological order. We had a great time planning and writing these as all the children loved looking through photos of the trip and reminiscing on their favourite activities from the day. I have really enjoyed reading all of these and seeing how far all of their writing has come.

Badgers have also loved their time in the **Wonderdome**, learning all about space. We have also had the fantastic opportunity to be geographers, going up onto the field to conduct some fieldwork, exploring the similarities and differences between the Australian landscape and the landscape in Timsbury.

Thank you for such a brilliant year, Badgers! And best of luck to all of you in Year Three!

Miss Heath



Foxes Class News:



Where has that year gone? These last two weeks of term have been full of fun and enjoyment. We had fun putting together and performing our class assembly and sharing our memories and learning from our trip to Folly Farm. We were very impressed by the number of children who felt confident enough to have a speaking part and share memories they had written themselves. We then had a parent workshop looking at our Science learning - thanks to all the family members who have come along to these this year, the children always loved having you in the classroom.

Continuing with the Folly Farm theme, in English, the Foxes have written fantastically persuasive leaflets to encourage others to go to Folly Farm. Using persuasive language and a whole range of the grammar features that we have learnt this year they have produced wonderful leaflets. In PE, we have enjoyed the summer sunshine and continued with athletics while in DT we have been working in teams to bake a biscuit and then produce packaging and a logo to appeal to our target audience.

Finally, we have enjoyed being Geographers and conducting fieldwork to better understand the habitats within our school environment. Fieldwork is important to gather evidence in Geography and the children enjoyed being outside and identifying areas within the school environment where we could do more to increase biodiversity.

I couldn't be prouder of the fantastic Foxes this year, they have approached everything with enthusiasm and interest and have been a joy to teach. Wishing you all a wonderful summer! **Mrs Brown** 

### Lions Class News:

#### Year 5 have the most amazing year!

Year 5 have had the best year with their teacher (Mr Daniels).

They mainly enjoyed going on trips and outings such as Bikeability and exploring Wells Cathedral. They found some subjects hard this year but they persevered thanks to Mr Daniels.

They feel that they will go into year 6 very strongly in terms of Maths especially in *fractions*. They also think that their end of year production in year 6 will be great because of their Readers' Theatre\* skills.

Mr Daniels, the Year 5 teacher, said, "What a wonderful class! Everybody has been so great to teach. Their learning and behaviour have been brilliant and they will be amazing in year 6. Miss Woods is very lucky to be their next teacher."

Emily H, one of the Year 5 pupils, said, "I enjoyed going to Downside

Eagles

**Class News:** 

School because we learnt some Greek words and how to write our names in Greek."

Ronnie, another of the Year 5 pupils, said," I liked Bikeability because now I can ride my bike to school."

Casper, also a Year 5 pupil, said, "I liked when we wrote our own stories about the rainforest when we were doing the book *Where the Forest Meets the Sea.*"

Finally, Tilly in Year 5, said, "My favourite part of Year 5 has to be learning more fractions. At the start of the year I barely knew anything about them."

Year 5 have learnt many important things this year as they prepare for life in Year 6 and had fun while they did it.

By Emily R, Poppy, Phoebe and Maggie

\*Readers Theatre is an activity to help with fluency in reading.





We have finally reached the end of term, and what a busy yet rewarding one it has been! From putting on a fantastic Year 6 production, to heading out on trips, completing geography fieldwork and finishing off our PSHE curriculum, it's been challenging at times – but the children have worked incredibly hard and should be so proud of themselves.

Firstly, I want to commend the children for their efforts with the Year 6 production. They poured their energy, creativity and teamwork into putting together a show that was full of personality, humour and unforgettable performances. They even performed in hot, uncomfortable conditions – 10/10 for resilience and professionalism!

In Geography, the children have been busy completing fieldwork linked to our 'Wasteland' topic. Using their knowledge of the local area, they explored spaces in Timsbury that could be used more effectively and considered creative ideas for improving these areas to benefit the community. This has been a brilliant topic that sparked their curiosity about the world around them, inspired their creativity and allowed them to develop their map skills.

To celebrate what has been a fantastic year, Eagles went bowling as a class on Monday. This was an exciting occasion and the perfect chance to relax and have fun together. The children were brilliant representatives of the school, using their lovely manners and even helping to tidy up after their meal. They thoroughly enjoyed 90 minutes of bowling, plenty of sugar and a chance to explore the arcade afterwards – a wonderful way to round off the year!

Finally, I want to say a huge **well done** to Eagles for all their hard work this year. It hasn't always been easy, but they have shown determination, perseverance and such a positive attitude, achieving great things along the way. I wish them all the very best as they move on to secondary school and look forward to hearing about their future successes.

#### Miss Woods

### **Thought for the Week**

#### "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:" (Ecclesiastes 3:1 - NIV)

What does this mean for us today? Well for some of us, this is our last week in primary school. In September, some of us will have moved to a new school and become the youngest in the school again. Quite daunting really!

This bible verse is all about there being a time for everything. There is a time for work, there is a time for rest, there is a time for stability and there is a time for change. Things can't always stay the same, that's not how life works? If they did, we'd still be in nappies, being spoon fed!

So, be ready to embrace the change, while at the same time not forgetting that you have been made in the image of God. You have been uniquely created by an almighty, loving Father and there is no one other person like you. Remember to be who you are already, to discover who you are becoming and to love who you are and will become. You were designed with all your strengths, skills and passions alongside all your quirks and oddities. Don't ever forget it and don't ever feel the need to conform to anyone else's way of thinking.



Paul Marvin- MNSP SIAMS Lead

### A Heartfelt Thanks to Our Amazing Volunteers!

We're incredibly fortunate at St. Mary's to have such a dedicated and generous community! Our school thrives because of the wonderful volunteers who consistently give their time and energy to enrich daily school life.

We recently held a **Volunteers Thank You Brunch** to show our appreciation, our Yr 6 leavers prepared & served delicious brunch including pastries and fresh fruit. It was a joy to celebrate everyone who contributes, including:

- Those who **read with our children**, helping to foster a love of literacy.
- Our committed **Local Governing Body**, who provide invaluable guidance and support.
- Our **PTA members**, who work tirelessly to enhance school experiences and raise funds.
- The green-fingered individuals who help with our **gardens and forest school tidies**, creating beautiful outdoor spaces for our pupils.
- The incredible **families who hold fundraising events** and **members of the local church** who continually support our school's Christian Values.

Your selflessness makes a real difference in the lives of our children and the success of St. Mary's. **We simply couldn't do it without you!** 



## The Bingo Reading Challenge is Back!

We're excited to launch the Bingo Reading Challenge again this summer to help keep children engaged with reading over the holidays.

To take part, children simply need to complete the fun reading challenges listed in their Challenge Booklets (which will be sent home this week). Once they've finished, a parent or carer can sign their Bingo sheet to show the tasks are complete. There are 16 challenges to try – plus a bonus challenge for those aiming for a Platinum Award!

We'd also love to see photos of your child enjoying their reading adventures. Don't forget to upload them to Seesaw so their teachers (and Miss Woods!) can share in their success.

Happy reading!

## Wonderdome

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This week , each class had an unforgettable experience with the **Wonderdome** — a mobile planetarium that brought the magic of space right to our school hall!

The children were amazed as they explored the stars, planets, and constellations, sparking their curiosity and imagination. It was a fantastic way to bring Science to life in a fun and memorable way. A particular highlight for many was the space roller coaster!

As a special reward, children who completed this year's reading challenge enjoyed an extra session in the dome — a well-deserved treat for their dedication and hard work.

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA for making this special experience possible! The excitement and sense of wonder across the school were simply amazing!

## Yr 6 Performance & Hollywood Bowl

As the summer term draws to a close, our Year 6 pupils have been busy making memories to last a lifetime.

The children wowed us all with their incredible endof-year production of 'Alice the Musical'. From singing and acting to learning lines and choreography, they poured their hearts into creating a show full of humour, energy and unforgettable performances. Their creativity and teamwork truly shone through, and even when performing in the sweltering heat, they showed fantastic resilience. It was a joy to watch them take to the stage with such confidence and enthusiasm – they should feel incredibly proud of what they achieved.

To celebrate the end of their time at primary school, Year 6 enjoyed a special class trip to the **Hollywood Bowl**. The children were a credit to the school, showing wonderful manners and supporting one another throughout the afternoon. They loved the chance to relax, have fun and share some laughs as a class before moving on to their next adventure. With bowling, plenty of treats and a visit to the arcade, it was the perfect way to round off their final year.

We wish Eagles the very best as they take their next steps to secondary school. They have been excellent role models to younger pupils and we look forward to hearing all about their future endeavours.

### **Music Lessons**

Available from September 2025 - please contact Jody for more information!





## **Equalities Rainbow day**

This year's annual **Rainbow Day** was a great success. The children at St Marys were introduced to the idea of a **St Mary's Pride Parade**. Each child created their own individual Rainbow flag and came dressed in colourful nonschool uniform. The Equalities team held an assembly to discuss and celebrate the LGBTQ+ community and came up with the idea of a whole school dance. On Friday afternoon, the children paraded around the playground, dancing and singing to Elton John's famous hit, *'I'm Still Standing'*. We talked about celebrating diversity and the children remarked on how much fun it had been and the importance of learning Tolerance and Empathy towards others. Our **Rainbow Day** concluded with our wonderful **Summer Fair**. Well done to everyone that won a prize in the Rainbow Raffle! And well done, Team Timsbury!



Dear Parent/Carer,

From September 2025, I am pleased to confirm that I have spaces available for guitar, piano and drum kit lessons which take place at School during the day. If your child is interested in learning an instrument next term, please send an email to jodyprewett@gmail.com. Music lessons have a wide range of benefits including:

- · Fostering creative and critical thinking
- · Offering an outlet for expression
- Encouraging social and emotional development

#### About Me:

I have 15 years of experience working in Schools as a workshop leader and instrumental teacher. I am fully DBS checked, hold a safeguarding in School's certificate and am also an experienced performing musician. My music lessons focus on the joy of performance and positive interaction of music-making, aiming to help pupils find their individual voice.

Please get in touch if you'd like to get started next term and I will be happy to discuss pricing and further details about the lessons.

Yours Faithfully, Jody Prewett



Let's celebrate and recognise all the children who have received a Christian Value over this academic year:

Compassion:	Cooper Y5, Maggie Y5, Emily Y5, Anjaleena Y5, John Y5, Spike Y6, Benjamin Y6, Alaina YR, Rubie YR, Henry YR, George YR, Tommy YR, Shay Y1, Donald Y1, Joey Y1, George Y1, Rowan Y2, Juliette Y2, Spencer Y2, Mila Y2, Malachy Y2, Daisy-Rae Y2, Lottie Y3, Olivia Y3, Indigo Y3, Evelyn Y3, Willow-Grace Y3, Dawson Y4, Bear Y4, Louie Y4.
Creativity:	Tilly-Faith Y5, Emily Y5, Anjaleena Y5, Tavie-Ann Y5, Imogen Y6, Robin Y4.
Courage:	Sydney Y5, Joanna Y6, Imogen Y6, Raya Y1, Rowan Y2, Malachy Y2, Lucas Y2, Sienna Y2, Lottie Y3, Oliver Y4, Theo Y4, Bella Y4, Teddy Y4.
Koinonia:	Maggie Y5, Eliza Y5, Sienna Y5, Tavie-Ann Y5, Violet Y4.
Truthfulness:	Imogen Y6, Edith Y6, Dylan YR, Liam Y3.
Service:	Casper Y5, Cooper Y5, Maggie Y5, Archie Y5, Charlie Y5, Aidan Y5, Arthur Y5, Ronnie Y5, Sydney Y5, Rachel Y5, Ruby Y6, Joanna Y6, Willow Y6, Finley Y6, Felix Y6, Spike Y6, Dylan YR, Oscar YR, Tommy YR, Cleo YR, Lowen YR, Sarah YR, Shay Y1, Raya Y1, Jacob Y1, Benjamin Y2, Merryn Y3, Florence Y3, Indigo Y3, Dexter Y3, Dawson Y4.

## A note about safeguarding...

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our pupils, please contact the school office and ask to speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mr Thomson, or any of our Deputy Safeguarding Leads, Mrs Parsons & Mrs Purnell.

## The safety of our young people is the responsibility of us all.

During the school holidays if you have a concern about a child, please contact BANES Social Work Services

You can raise your concerns in any of the following ways:

- Call our Children's Social Work Services on 01225 39 61 11 or 01225 47 79 29 (weekdays, 8.30am to 5pm, except Fridays when we're closed from 4.30pm)
- Drop into the **Keynsham One Stop Shop** and ask for the duty children's social worker
- Discuss your concerns with someone who works

with children and families:

- Health visitor Social worker
- School nurse Teacher
- Out of office hours
  - If you think a child is in immediate danger please BANES Emergency Duty Team on 01454 61 51 65

Tell us immediately about any of the following and open the relevant option for details on how to report your concern:

- A child is suffering significant harm
- You want to protect a child from abuse or serious neglect
- You feel the child requires urgent or short-term care (acute services)

Or you can contact the NSPCC

#### NSPCC Contact Us

## Dates for your Calendar - Term 6 & 1

Date	Event
18.07.25	LAST DAY OF TERM 6
21.07.25	Inset day
22.07.25	Inset day
01.09.25	Inset day - school closed to children
02.09.25	Inset day- school closed to children
03.09.25	Autumn Term 1! Welcome Back
08.09.25	Eagles parent meet the teacher 3:15pm
10.09.25	Foxes swimming lessons begin
10.09.25	Foxes parent meet the teacher 3:15pm
10.09.25	Rabbits parent meet the teacher 3:15pm
11.09.25	Lions parent meet the teacher 3:15pm
12.09.25	Badgers parent meet the teacher 3:15pm
15.09.25	Ducklings parent meet the teacher 3:15pm
23.09.25	Badgers parent workshop 2:00pm
26.09.25	Jeans for Genes Day
01.10.25	Open Day
02.10.25	Ducklings parent workshop 9:00am
06.10.25	Individual & sibling photos from 8:45am
08.10.25	Rabbits parent workshop 9:00am
09.10.25	Foxes parent workshop 2:00pm
10.10.25	Hello Yellow Day
15.10.25	Eagles assembly & parent workshop 9:00am
17.10.25	Open morning - Excellence Exhibition
20.10.25	Lions parent workshop 9:00am
22.10.25	Wear Red for Racism
23.10.25	Foxes Harvest Service at the Church
24.10.25	Inset day - school closed for children
03.11.25	Autumn Term 2



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#### Term Dates Academic Year 2025/2026

**Term 1** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Term 2** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025 Friday 19th December 2025

**Term 3** Monday 5th January 2026 Friday 13th February 2026 **Term 4** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026

**Term 5** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026 Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

**Term 6** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026 (Friday 18th July last day for students)

#### **INSET DAYS**

**Inset day 1** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025

Inset day 2 Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

**Inset day 3** Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Inset day 4** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Inset day 5 Monday 20th July 2026

Inset day 6 Tuesday 21st July 2026 National Bank Holidays:

Thursday 25th December 2025 Friday 26th December 2025 Thursday 1st January 2026 Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2026 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2026 Monday 4th May 2026 Monday 25th May 2026 Monday 31st August 2026

> MNSP Executive Headteacher/CEO: Alun Williams Company No.7365778



### RSPCA WEST HATCH Animal Centre

### SUMMER PHOTO Scavenger Hunt!

Looking for a summer holiday activity or just want a reason to get outside for some fresh air?

For just £5 you can take part in our Summer Photo Scavenger Hunt and raise money for the animals at the same time!



Scan the QR code to visit our JustGiving page & find out more.

Thank you for supporting us!





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Summer Reading Challenge - Craft Event	Tuesday 5 August
Dancing Mobiles.	10.30 - 11.30am
Summer Reading Challenge - Craft Event	Tuesday 12 August
Plant Pot Wrap.	10.30 - 11.30am
Summer Reading Challenge - Craft Event	Tuesday 19 August
Nature Narrators Gnomes & Nature Narrators Fairies	10.30 - 11.30am
Summer Reading Challenge - Craft Event	Tuesday 26 August
Story Garden Bunting	10.30 - 11.30am
All children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking essenti	
Bath & North East	<b>33</b> 8773
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We have already built up great stock levels to ensure your order is sent out in record time, however there can always be issues that are out of our control. With this in mind please order as early as possible, especially if your child is starting school for the first time!

Orders placed up to and including the 31st of July will take priority! Please place orders as soon as possible – This will help ensure that you receive your uniform in good time, as orders placed after this period are more likely to be subject to delays.

#### Thank you and have a great summer!

The Mapac Team

### Click <u>HERE</u> to order!

If you'd like to have an update on your order, please email <u>tracking@mapac.net</u> If you have received your order and have any queries, please email <u>parentcustomerservices@mapac.net</u>



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Dear Parent/Carer,

#### HAPPY HEALTHY HOLIDAYS SOMERSET Monday 28th July - Friday 29th August.

#### Looking for a way to keep your children happy, active and fed over the Easter school holiday?

I am pleased to inform you that your child is eligible to attend for **FREE** on our Summer 25 holiday programme, Happy Healthy Holidays (HHH).

Funded through the Government's Holiday and Food Programme, HHH will offer a range of exciting activities, such as sports, craft, music, theatre and games as well as provide a free healthy meal. The programme is available to 5-16 year olds with appropriate activities for all ages.

How to Book – Opens on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 at 10am.

### You may book up to 12 sessions in total across the whole Summer 25 programme for each eligible child.

#### STEP ONE

*Go to* <u>www.sasp.co.uk/happy-healthy-holidays</u> which is an "Activity Finder" - you can see what is on offer more locally to you by using the Filter options.

Once you have chosen the activities and click book it will take you to the Playwaze website which is the booking site for HHH.

#### **STEP TWO**

- If your child has previously attended a HHH programme you will already be registered on the booking system 'Playwaze'. To make a booking for the Summer programme you can use your existing Playwaze log in and password, but you need the new code for the Summer programme – which is Sun25 Please check that your child's medical and contact information is up to date when you make your first booking. 12 sessions are available for Summer 25.
- If your child <u>has not</u> attended a HHH programme you will need to create a Parent account, with a log in and user name, before completing a booking form for each of your children. You will also need the new code for the Easter programme which is Sun25 12 sessions are available for Summer 25.

If you experience difficulties with your booking, we have a helpline, staffed 9am - 1pm, Monday to Friday. The quickest way to get a response is to email <u>hhh@sasp.co.uk</u>, alternatively you can call 07843816168 or 01823 653992.

We wish your families a very happy healthy holiday and we look forward to welcoming your child into our activities over the Summer break.



- Healthy Happy Holidays Somerset is run by Somerset Activity & Sports Partnership (SASP) working in partnership with Somerset County Council.
- Eligibility for the funded FREE places on the Summer programme will be children accessing benefits related free school meals or having been referred by their school.

#### FAMILY TICKETS Monday 28th July - Friday 29th August

You may be aware that Family Tickets have been available to families as part of the HHH programme.

#### **New Booking Process for Family Tickets**

We have changed the booking process slightly for Family Tickets for the Summer. This is now a Two Step process. Please action the following to access a ticket:

#### Step 1

- Log in to Playwaze and select your Account (not your child's)
- In the Community search box enter "Family Tickets"
- Book a ticket (this is a general ticket not for a specific venue)
- Once booked you will receive an email from HHH, within 5 days, with a NEW code.

Step 2

- Go to the Family Ticket website (https://www.hhhsomerset.co.uk/) here
- Select your family ticket
- Enter the code that you received in your email from HHH in step 1
- A Ticket Code for that venue will appear on screen.
- Contact the venue to book your slot and give them your ticket code that appeared on screen

Family tickets will be available to book at: Flip Out, Brean Splash and Play, Ocean and Space Adventurers, Jolly Jumpers, Animal Farm, Strode Pool, Frome Leisure Centre, Shepton Mallet Outdoor Pool, Wells Leisure Centre, The Play Centre, Wells.

There is a limited number of tickets at each venue, so they are booked on a first come first served basis. Please only book a ticket if you intend to use it. If you are unable to access a ticket you can email <u>hhh@sasp.co.uk</u> and be put on the reserve list for cancelled tickets or go to the top of the list for next holiday programme.

Tickets will go live on the Family Ticket website on **14**<sup>th</sup> **July 2025**, but you can register on Playwaze when Activity Camp bookings go live from 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

Kind regards