

Purple Pages



Weekly Newsletter: 23rd May 2025

Our School Christian Vision: 'Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring.'
Rooted in Matthew 7:24 – 25: "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock."



CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM: FRIENDSHIP



Message from the Headteacher

What a great way to end Term Five - a huge thanks to our PTA for the doughnut sale on Wednesday and inflatables day today. Just a reminder that the Summer Fete is coming up next term and we are always in need of volunteers for short slots throughout the afternoon. If you're able to help please sign up using the online form that will be sent out shortly.

It's that time of year again when we begin to think about next year. As some of you may know we have some teachers moving on to pastures new this year. Mr Smith is moving to Boston, USA, and Mrs Forse is moving to the Netherlands. Ms Banwell is also leaving us this year to continue her teaching career at another school. I am sure you will join us in wishing them all the very best in their next adventure.

We have already appointed some great new teachers to fill the posts and look forward to sorting classes for next year after the holidays.

Miss Moody will be getting married during the half-term break and we wish her all the very best.

I hope you all have a lovely half term and I look forward to seeing you all on our return for a busy, final term at St John's.

Mrs West-Gaul



Dates For Your Diary

June

2nd: Start of Term Six
2nd - 9th: Year Six Residential
18th: Sports Day:
9am: Key Stage 2 (Years 3 - 6)
1.15pm: Key Stage 1 (Years R - 2)

July

4th: PTA Summer Fete and Non-Uniform Day

Come and join us on 1st June for our next

Family Service



The Sunday after Ascension



10am Sunday 1st June,
St John the Baptist Church,
Midsomer Norton.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Awards and Achievements

Well done to all our pupils who have achieved an award.



	Star of the Week	Star Reader
Acorns	Fraser Millie	Chester Dougie
Ash	Serena	Zac
Birch	Miley	Ronan
Chestnut	Jasper	Daisy
Elm	Isabelle	Libby
Hazel	Evelyn	Bella
Holly	Jaxon	Lola
Maple	Brie	Oscar
Oak	Louie	Freya
Pine	Anna	Aoife
Rowan	Dilly	Finley
Sycamore	Chloe Jake	Olive
Willow	Ralphie Seth	Lucy

Top Doodling Class



ACORNS

Well done!



PE Stars of the Week

Year 6 Sycamore - Frank
 Year 6 Willow - Seth
 Year 5 Rowan - Jacob and Ella
 Year 5 Pine - Poppy and Grayson
 Year 4 Maple - Amelia L
 Year 4 Oak - Louie
 Year 3 Hollie - Jake
 Year 3 Hazel - Aeris
 Year 2 Elm - Hugh
 Year 2 Chestnut - Zach
 Year 1 Ash - Taylor
 Year 1 Birch - Ronan

Well done!

Hot Chocolate Friday



Cancelled After-School Clubs

Please note the following clubs will be cancelled during the first week back due to staff unavailability (as they are helping with the Year Six Camp):

- Computer (Monday)
- Homework (Monday)
- History (Monday)
- Tap Dancing (Tuesday)
- Maypole (Thursday)

All other clubs will be going ahead as usual.

A reminder that if your child usually attends a club, however you have made other arrangements and they will not be attending a session, please can you ensure that either the club leader or the school office are aware of this. Thank you.

Out of School Achievements



Dilly, in Year Five, recently won an award for the most improved player of the year for the under 12's Paulton Rovers Netball team.



Harry, in Year Four, took part in a Gymnastic competition with Writhlington Boys squad. He competed against 14 other boys for Bar, Vault, Floor and Trampoline and was pleased to get a bronze medal for his floor routine & 6th overall.



Sidney, in Year Six, competed in Baskervilles rising stars competition and came away with four bronze medals and a bronze for overall.



Poetry Slam 2025!

POETRY SLAM 2025!

THE POETRY SLAM
TAKES PLACE ON
TUESDAY 17TH JUNE AT
6PM AT WRITHLINGTON
DRAGONFLY THEATRE.

CALLING ALL **YEAR 3 & 4 POETS!**

Are you ready to share
your voice and creativity?

We invite all Year 3 and
Year 4 pupils to **write an
original poem during the
half term holiday** for our
exciting Poetry Slam
competition!



Details:

- Write your own poem (about anything you like!)
- Bring/email your poem to the **school office by Monday 2nd June**
- We will then choose a team of Year 3 and a team of Year 4 pupils to attend the Poetry Slam event and perform together.

Reading in Next Steps Nursery



At the weekend, Next Steps Nursery held a fundraising event in aid of a charity very close to our hearts: Reverse Rett in honour of one of our children Layla. Layla's favourite story is 'The Gruffalo', so the event was Gruffalo themed. The day included games, sensory activities, and even a live performance of The Gruffalo!

This week our focus story is 'The Gruffalo', so we can continue the fun with those who couldn't attend the event at the weekend. The children have enjoyed using props to retell the story, and at forest school we read the story and enjoyed searching for all of the characters which were hidden in the woodland.





JOIN OUR LITTLE ACORNS

Will your child be starting school in September 2026?

Join us for our new **'Stay and Play'** sessions to introduce you to our school.

First session: Thursday 26th June at 9:30am

Included:

- Play session led by experienced early years teacher
- 'Open Day' tour of the school
- Refreshments

THURSDAY
26TH JUNE
9:30

TUESDAY
30TH SEPT
9:30

TUESDAY
14TH OCT
9:30

OPEN EVENING : TUES 4TH NOV 6-7PM

CONTACT US:
EMAIL: OFFICE@STJOHNS.MNSP.ORG.UK WWW.STJOHNSMSN.CO.UK

Sports Day - 18th June

Sports Day will last all day for the children with each key stage taking part in different sports. Parents are welcome to attend the track events as normal but we ask that you stay down the bottom of the field by the car park and that you do not go to the top end of the field where the field events are taking place; where you can sit and watch will be marked out by Respect Line tape.

Key Stage Two (Years 3 to 6) track events will begin at 9am and EYFS and Key Stage One (Years Rec to 2) track events will begin at 1.15pm.

For the Key Stage 2 track events, parents are welcome to enter the field from 8:45am and will need to exit before lunchtime at 11.45am. For Key Stage 1 track events, parents are welcome to enter the field from 1pm.

Sports Day will start for all children at 9am with one of the key stages taking part in field events, while the other key stage takes part in the track events. There will be break times throughout the morning, where the children will return inside for a break. In the afternoon the key stages will take part in events that they didn't complete in the morning.

The children will need to have a sunhat, drink bottle and be topped up with suncream on the day in case of sunshine, and to be sent in with some warm clothing if the weather is due to be cooler than we have had recently. Children will need to come to school dressed in their house colour. The children will be reminded of their house colour.

For lunch, the children with packed lunches will eat their lunch on the field whilst the children who have school dinners will remain having their lunch in the dinner hall. If you have already booked a school dinner but your child would prefer a packed lunch, please adjust your booking on Parent Pay.

Recycling



Recycling Reminder

Led by our School Council, St John's is improving our recycling - showing that we care about our planet and our environment!

In order to more effectively 'reduce, reuse and recycle' we are putting the following in place:

- All leftovers and packaging from packed lunches must be taken home every day, for disposal at home
- Plastics and cans are being collected and recycled separately
- Food waste is being collected and recycled separately
- We are continuing to recycle paper and cardboard throughout school

PTA News



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our after school clubs are designed with an emphasis on fun. With a variety of sports clubs delivered throughout the academic year, there will be plenty of opportunities for your children to be active and to fall in love with sport.

St. John's, Midsomer Norton- Term 6

Monday (02/06/25 - 14/07/25)

- Reception to Year 2 Dodgeball-18 Spaces
- Years 3 to 6 Jailbreak-18 Spaces
- £24.50 in total for 7 weeks (£3.50 per person, per session)

Tuesday (03/06/25 - 15/07/25)

- Reception to Year 2 Cricket-18 Spaces
- Years 3 to 6 Cricket-18 Spaces
- £24.50 in total for 7 weeks (£3.50 per person, per session)

Wednesday (04/07/25 - 16/07/25)

- Reception to Year 2 Football-18 Spaces
- Years 3 to 6 Football-18 Spaces
- £24.50 in total for 7 weeks (£3.50 per person, per session)

Time- 15:00-16:00

*If you are booking onto a club after the start date, please note that the price is automatically adjusted on the booking page.

TO BOOK:



<https://bit.ly/ablerASC>



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TIMSBURY THEATRE GROUP

JUNIORS presents

The WIZARD of OZ

Friday 11th & Saturday 12th July 7:30pm

Adults £12 Children £8
Conygre Hall, Timsbury, Bath, BA2 0JQ

Bar & Refreshments available!
Get your tickets at: Timsburytheatre.co.uk

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Woodwind Lessons

Learn an instrument and develop your skills with woodwind lessons now available at two of our Music Centres. For students of all standards, aged 7-18.

- Tuesdays, St Keyna School, Keynsham 5.45 - 9pm
- Wednesdays, Hayesfield School, Bath 5.30pm - 8pm

Recorder - Flute - Saxophone - Clarinet

Book lessons now at: wema.org.uk/register



Discounts for students receiving Pupil Premium



Wind Band & Instrument Lessons For Adults

Looking to join a wind band? Want to learn a wind instrument from scratch? Good news - we're planning two new opportunities in Bath, from September 2025

- Wind Band: for woodwind, brass and percussion players of Grade 3 standard upwards. Traditional wind band repertoire. 6.50pm-7.50pm at Hayesfield School, Bath.
- Lessons & Ensemble: For adults keen to learn a wind instrument from scratch. 5.45pm-6.45pm at Hayesfield School, Bath.

Register your interest at:
wema.org.uk/adult-wind-band



Family Holiday Activities at Wells Cathedral

An Anthology of Animals

27, 28, and 29 May 2025

View a colourful Cathedral exhibition, go hunting for a menagerie of animals hidden in the Cathedral*, have a go at haiku, and try fun, animal themed crafts

With a different creature to craft each day, come to all three events to make your own menagerie!

FREE with adult entry.

No need to book – simply drop in on the day and ask at the Welcome Desk for directions!

*Family trail available throughout half term, based on the book and exhibition, 'A Walk Around Wells Cathedral' by local artist Caroline Byrne

Sessions from 10.30am to 3.30pm

An adult ticket includes re-entry for 12 months giving access to a whole year of family holiday activities as well as other seasonal events and exhibitions. NB: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult; only assistance dogs are permitted at our family activities.

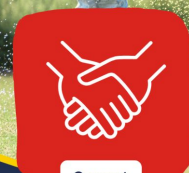


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PLAY & WELLBEING GROUP MIDSOMER NORTON

Come and be part of a welcoming space where families with primary aged children and siblings can grow, play, and connect through planned activities and free play with their child(ren).

Facilitated by our Play Support Workers, our weekly sessions are designed to support both children and parents by encouraging positive interactions in an inclusive and friendly environment.

Through shared play experiences, families can:

- build confidence
- support with wellbeing
- develop social skills, and
- strengthen bonds that carry over into everyday life at home

It's also a great opportunity to meet other parents/carers, reduce feelings of isolation, and feel a real sense of belonging and community with regular attendance.

We also offer gentle guidance and connections to local services, helping to ensure every family feels supported on their journey.

TASTER SESSION: Somer Centre, Midsomer Norton 1pm Thurs 29th May

Where?
Somer Centre, Gulluck
Tynning, Midsomer Norton,
Redstock BA3 2UH

When?
Starts Thurs 5th
June 3.30pm

SCAN BELOW TO
REGISTER YOUR
INTEREST!



MUSICAL THEATRE HOLIDAY CLUB!



COME JOIN US FOR A DAY OF SINGING,
DANCING & DRAMA!!

**TUESDAY 27TH MAY
8.45AM - 3.15PM**

ST VIGOR & ST JOHN CHURCH SCHOOL

AGES: YEARS RECEPTION - 6

£20 PER CHILD PER DAY

(SIBLING & MULTIDAY DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE)



TO BOOK PLEASE FOLLOW LINK -

[HTTPS://WWW.SPARKLEANDPOPPARTIES.CO.UK/GENERAL-8](https://www.sparkleandpopparties.co.uk/general-8)

IF YOU REQUIRE ANY FURTHER INFO PLEASE CONTACT
CATHERINE ON 07808 195 177

**CLUB RUN BY CATHERINE GIBSON & EMMA
CAMBOURNE - QUALIFIED TEACHERS
DBS CHECKED & FIRST AID TRAINED**

MUSICAL THEATRE HOLIDAY CLUB!

FURTHER INFORMATION -

CHILDREN TO BRING THEIR OWN PACKED LUNCH, MORNING & AFTERNOON SNACK AND DRINK.

PLEASE ALSO PROVIDE YOUR CHILD WITH COMFORTABLE CLOTHES THAT ARE SUITABLE TO DANCE IN PLUS WARM/WET WEATHER CLOTHES THAT ARE SUITABLE FOR OUTSIDE PLAY.

30 SPACES AVAILABLE. IF SPACES ARE FULLY BOOKED PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ADDED TO THE WAITING LIST.

IF WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH NUMBERS TO RUN THE CLUB YOU WILL BE INFORMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

IF YOUR CHILD IS ILL AND CANNOT ATTEND THE CLUB PLEASE INFORM US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE CAN OFFER THE PLACE TO ANOTHER ON THE WAITING LIST.

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