

# Purple Pages



Weekly Newsletter: 22nd May 2026

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 Deputy Headteacher

Happy Friday, everyone! We have officially made it to the end of Term 5, and Mother Nature has actually decided to play ball! The sun is shining, the sunglasses are out, and the half-term break is finally here.

It has been an energetic final week across the school. Year 3 had a fantastic trip to Stonehenge, while in Year 5, the children wrapped up their 'Field to Food' topic by cooking Spaghetti Bolognese. A very appetising smell drifted through the corridors all day.

Meanwhile, our Year 6 students have had a busy week starting rehearsals for their end-of-year production. Today, they also climbed aboard the "I Can, I Am" bus to learn all about self-belief and confidence. They were busy making pizzas when I joined them!

Looking ahead to Term 6, please keep an eye out for class photo order forms coming home after the holiday. A huge good luck to Year 6 for their upcoming residential adventure to the Mendip Activity Centre. Please ensure you refer to the kit list when packing over the break so they have everything they need!

Thank you for your continued support this term. Have a wonderful, sun-soaked week, enjoy a well-deserved break from the morning school run, and we will see you all refreshed for the final stretch!

*Mrs Monks*

#### Non-Uniform Day

Well done to **Kelston** House for achieving the most house points this term. They will be rewarded with a non-uniform day on Friday 12th June.

### Dates For Your Diary

#### June

1st	Children Return to school
1st - 5th	Year 6 Residential (Mendip Activity Centre)
2nd	Swimming lessons for Year 5
17th	Sports Day
19th	Coffee Morning for parents or carers, 8.45am
23rd	Open Morning for Prospective Reception 2027 Starters. 9.30am
<b>July</b>	
3rd	PTA Summer Fete & Non-uniform Day
17th	Year 6 Leavers Service, 1.45pm
20th & 21st	INSET Days

*Come and join us for Fr Philip's final  
**Family Service***



**Pentecost**

**10am Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May**  
**St John the Baptist Church,**  
**Midsomer Norton**

# Awards and Achievements

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



	Star of the Week	Star Reader	PE Achievements of the Week
<b>Acorns</b>	Rory Bodhi	Albion Hope	-
<b>Ash</b>	Woody	Fraser	Alex and Eli (Really Resilient) Marley and Bonnie (Playing Fair)
<b>Birch</b>	Freya	Alex	Jesse (Caring and Kind), Tallulah and Lexi (Playing Fair)
<b>Chestnut</b>	Leo	Serena	Ayda and Ruby (Playing Fair), Eleanor and Oliver (Calm and Confident)
<b>Elm</b>	Miley	Leo	Bella (Huge Helper), Lilly (Excellent Effort) and Isla (Caring and Kind)
<b>Hazel</b>	Ayda	Willow	Casey (Playing Fair), Ayda and Lexi (Really Resilient) and Frankie (Calm and Confident)
<b>Holly</b>	Alice	Jasper	Toby and Poppy-Rose (Fantastic Focus)
<b>Maple</b>	Myla Sonny	Samantha	Evie and Senna (Terrific Teamwork) Shakai (Playing Fair), Alina (Amazing Ability)
<b>Oak</b>	Loula	Finn	Thea, Aoife and George (Terrific Teamwork) Myka and Aeris (Really Resilient) Sophia L (Caring and Kind)
<b>Pine</b>	Oscar	Sophie	Isaac (Calm and Confident), Rhodri and Charlie (Amazing Ability) and Daisy (Independent Learner)
<b>Rowan</b>	Thomas	Jessica	Mollie and Fleur (Calm and Confident) and Jack B (Amazing Ability)
<b>Sycamore</b>	Luca	Charlie	Amber, Sophie (Excellent Effort), Grayson and Henry (Fantastic Focus)
<b>Willow</b>	Texa	Mabel	Mabel (Really Resilient), Josh (Caring and Kind) and Texa (Excellent Effort)



Top Doodle Class

**CHESTNUT**



**Hot Chocolate Friday**

Well done to everyone who received a Star of the Week certificate during the last two weeks - they all gathered to enjoy their hot chocolates last Friday.

# General Notices

## Cycling / Scooting

A reminder that we do not allow any cycling or scooting on school premises - for children or adults. This is for the safety of everyone. Should you cycle to school, we would be grateful if you could please dismount at the school gates. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Year 5 Swimming

A reminder that **both Year 5 classes** will have swimming lessons the first week of Term 6 (Tuesday 2nd June).

## School Dinners - Price Increase

We have been informed that the Trust has decided to increase the price of a school dinner to £2.90. This adjustment will take effect from September 2026.

## Summer

In the hope that the sunny, warm weather will continue next term, please can we remind you to provide sun hats and water bottles and apply sun cream prior to coming to school.

# Thank you!

During half-term I retire from St John's Church where I have been Associate Priest for five years. Part of my role has involved working with local schools, particularly St John's School. Thank you to all who have helped to make this such an enjoyable and rewarding time for me. Thank you also for your card, generous gift and kind wishes.

With my very best wishes,

*Fr Philip*

## No School Crossing Patrol - 5th June

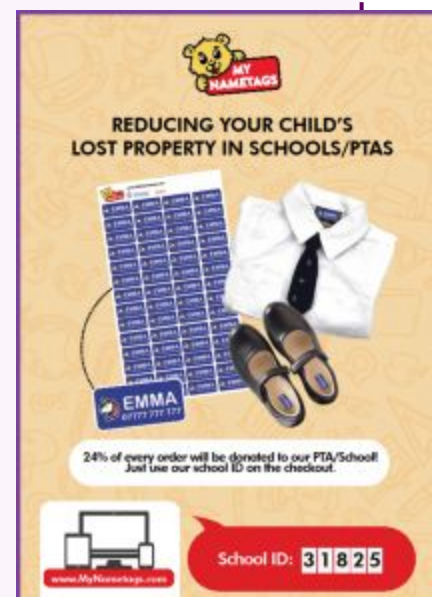
Please note the crossing patrol on Redfield Road (near Crossways) will not be on duty on 5th June. We have been advised that you should continue to use the site to cross, and signals and signs will warn drivers of children crossing there.

## DID YOU KNOW ... ?

There is always a lot of unclaimed lost property left at the end of every term which needs to be disposed of.

Please take the opportunity over the half-term break to check that all belongs have been clearly named. We often find that jumpers and cardigans are removed throughout the day and then abandoned, and many water bottles and lunch boxes remain unnamed.

The school will receive a small commission from MyNameTags for orders of labels - use the School ID 31825 when placing your order at [www.MyNameTags.com](http://www.MyNameTags.com)



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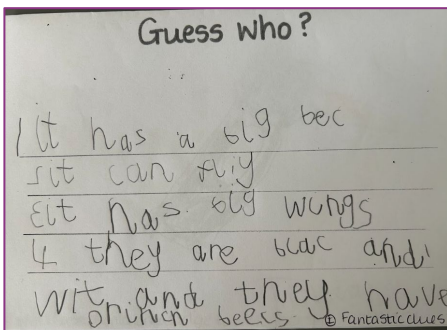
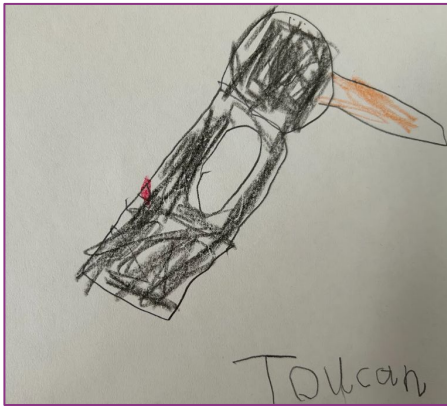
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# Reading in Acorns



This term in Reception, the children have been developing their reading skills through exciting hands-on learning experiences. We enjoyed a special visit from the Bug Man, where the children listened carefully, asked questions and learned fascinating facts about minibeasts.

In our reading activities, the children have enjoyed reading the journals of our rainforest animal friends that have been coming home with us! They also enjoyed creating a "Guess Who?" reading game, using clues to identify different animals. The children have been building their confidence in reading for meaning, finding simple facts in texts and using their phonic knowledge to help them read new words independently.



# Free School Meals

As from September 2026 there will be an additional category to qualify for free school meals. Currently, eligibility is based on households in receipt of Universal Credit with earnings of £7,400 or less. The new category will cover pupils in households receiving Universal Credit with no specific earning limit.

**Many families will become eligible for the first time under the new criteria.**

For information regarding benefit related free school meals, please click the following link:  
<https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

# Football Friendly

Last Thursday afternoon, a group of Year 6 pupils stayed behind after school to take part in a special one-off 8-a-side friendly against Shoscombe Primary, resulting in a brilliant 4-0 win for our home side!

The 8-a-side format allowed for a fast-paced game with plenty of action. Our players rose to the challenge, showing some great communication and some very promising football ability.

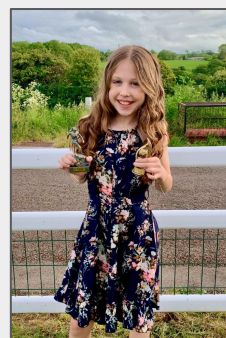


## Sketch It Friday

# Out of School Achievements



This weekend Alex, Stephen, Chester and Fraser all received a trophy for great football playing with Westfield Football Club. Well done!



Well done to Zena who won the U10s Girls 'Player of the Year' award at the Stratton United Football Club's annual presentation last Saturday.

Congratulations to Lottie in Willow Class for winning a gold medal at the City of Birmingham Rhythmic Gymnastics Flamingo Cup last weekend. Lottie achieved this with her pre-Esprit group hoop routine as part of the Team Bath Rhythmic Gymnastics squad.





Will your child be starting school in September 2027?

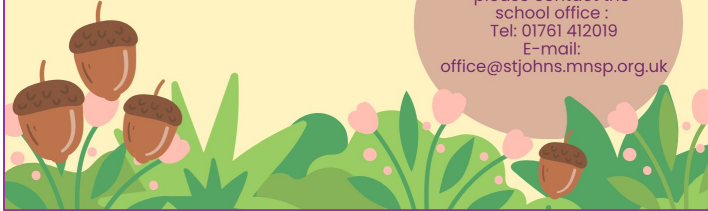
**OPEN MORNING**  
**TUESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JUNE**  
**9.30am**

We understand that choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you can make.

We invite you to join us for an Open Morning with a presentation and tour of the school.

We look forward to welcoming you to the school and showing you all the exciting activities and opportunities we offer.

To register your interest, please contact the school office :  
Tel: 01761 412019  
E-mail: office@stjohns.mnsp.org.uk



# St John's Coffee Morning

Our coffee morning offers a supportive environment for parents or carers children to relax and talk with others. There will be information regarding local services who may be able to offer support.

Friday 19th June 2026  
at 8.45am

09:00 - 15:30



Years R-6

## MAY HALF TERM SPORTS CAMPS

St John's C of E Primary School  
Redfield Road, BA3 2JN



**Tues 26th May**  
Musical Theatre  
OR  
Football



**Thurs 28th May**  
Street Dance  
OR

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(Cricket, Rounders, Danish Longball etc.)



**Fri 29th May**  
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Archery & Football

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term 6  
St John's C of E Primary School



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# PTA News



**FREE ENTRY**

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# Summer Fete

**3PM - 6PM**

**FRIDAY  
3RD JULY**

**BBQ  
BAR  
ICE CREAMS  
CANDY FLOSS  
ENTERTAINMENT  
RAFFLE  
SOAK A TEACHER  
FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT  
& MUCH MORE!**

**JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!**

## PTA Summer Fete - Friday 3rd July - 3pm until 6pm

We'd love to bring all the usuals: BBQ, Bar, Football Tournament, Inflatables, Games, and Stalls. We need your help to fill the slots so we can plan. Without your support, plans will have to be scaled back. Please support us and fill a slot. Every little helps!

Sign up here : [volunteersignup.org/78WRJ](https://volunteersignup.org/78WRJ)

Thank you to Peachy Cleans for sponsoring our Fete Games and Prizes!

Thank you for your continued support!  
St John's PTA

## Football

Copies of the entry form can be collected from the school office.

Please post the forms, with full payment (£20 per team) into the PTA box by 5th June.



# ST JOHN'S FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

**3RD JULY 2026  
KICK OFF 3:30PM**

**£20 A TEAM**

**TEAMS OF 6  
ENTRIES BY 5/6/26  
WITH FULL PAYMENT TO THE PTA BOX**



# FETE

**FUN & GAMES FOR ALL!**

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# Community Notices

Timsbury Theatre Group Juniors  
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Friday 17th & Saturday 18th July 2026  
7:30pm

Conygre Hall, North Road, Timsbury, Bath, BA2 0JQ

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## LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c May 18 2026

### Bath Central Library

#### Baby Bounce & Rhyme

Drop in suitable for parents & carers with children aged 0 - 5 years.

10.00- 10.30 & 11.00 - 11.30am  
Wednesday  
(term-time only)

#### Storytime

Free drop-in sessions for 0-5years.

10.30 - 11.00am  
Tuesday  
(term-time only)

### Keynsham Library

#### Baby Bounce & Rhyme

Drop in suitable for parents & carers with children aged 0 - 5 years.

9.30 - 10.00am & 10.30 - 11.00am  
Tuesday  
(term-time only)

#### Storytime

Free drop-in sessions for 0-5years.

10.30 - 11.00am, Thursday  
(term-time only)

#### Parent and Carers Day

Drop in and meet a selection of partners ranging from support with brushing teeth to SEND questions from the LiveWell Team.

10.00am - 3.00pm  
Thursday 19 May

### Midsomer Norton Library

#### Storytime

Free drop-in sessions for 0-5years.

10.30 - 11.00am  
Wednesday  
(term-time only)

#### Baby Bounce & Rhyme

Drop in suitable for parents & carers with children aged 0 - 5 years.

11.00 - 11.30am  
Monday  
(term-time only)

### Mobile Library

The Mobile Library will be off road w/c 25 May for and will be back again 1 June

The National Year  
of Reading 2026

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## LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c May 25 2026 Half Term Fun

### Late May Bank Holiday

Our Libraries are closed on Monday 25 May as it's a bank holiday and we'll be open again as usual from Tuesday 26 May

#### Bath Central Library - Fresh Fringe Family Festival

Tuesday 26 May

- Drama workshop for children aged 7-10 (improvisation, games and creative play)
- "Speedy" puppet show (story about racing snails and sibling rivalry)

During the week

- Family poetry and performance sessions with John Hegley and Suzi Corker (storytelling, music and creative activities)
- Interactive spoken word workshop with Caleb Simon (inspired by science and space)

Thursday 28 May

- Zine workshop for ages 11+ (create a mini magazine using writing, poetry and artwork)

visit <https://bathfringe.co.uk/> for details

Bath Central Library, Keynsham Library and

Midsomer Norton Library will all have craft areas set up to pop in and use for free



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