

Weekly Newsletter: 9th October 2026

Strong Roots, Growing Minds

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: LOVE



We had an exciting day on Wednesday, this week.

Thank you to the PTA for arranging a visit from Zack George, who is known as Steel on the Gladiators.

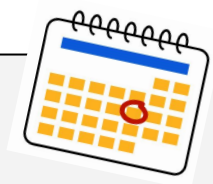
He gave a very inspirational talk to the children.



Dates For Your Diary

October

14th	Flu Immunisations
15th	Harvest Festival, 9am.
15th	PTA Disco
16th	Open Morning for prospective parents
20th	Parents Evening
21st	Parents Evening
22nd	INSET
23rd	INSET



A reminder that as we celebrate our Harvest Festival, we are collecting items for the Somer Valley Foodbank. Please leave donations in the crates now available outside the main office.

Thank you for your support.

Harvest Festival

Thursday 15th October | 9am

Reception Parents - You're Warmly Invited!

Join us as we officially welcome our new children to school and present them with their Bible.

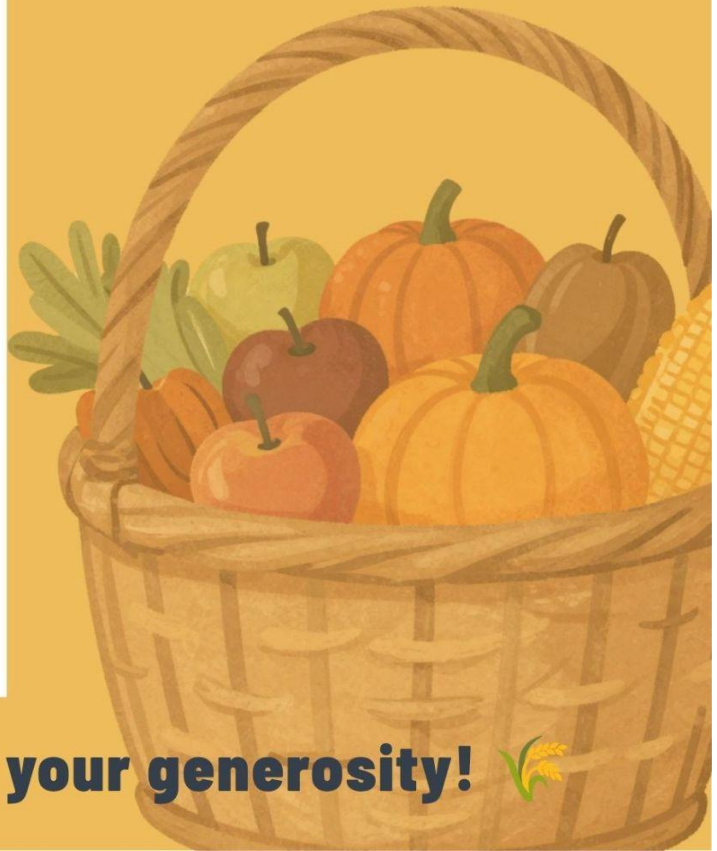
This year we are collecting for Somer Valley Foodbank.
Please leave all donations in the crates outside the main entrance.

This month the FOOD ITEMS we are currently in need of:

Vegetable meals (tinned)
Tomatoes (tinned)
Custard (tinned)
Rice Pudding (tinned)
Squash/Long Life Juice
Fish (tinned)
Fruit (tinned)
Curry Sauce (jars)

Non-food items we are currently in need of:

Deodorant
Shampoo
Dental



Thank you for your generosity! 🌽

General Notices



Parents' Evenings

Parents evenings are arranged to go ahead on:

Tuesday 20th October: 3.30pm-7pm
Wednesday 21st October: 3.30pm-5.30pm

Appointment bookings will go live at 6pm this evening, via your Arbor app.

Please note that all teacher-led after school clubs are cancelled for the week of 19th-21st October.

Further information will be sent about arrangements for the parents evenings, closer to the date.

School Photographs

The proofs of the recent photos of individuals and family groups have now been sent home. Should you wish to make a purchase, please note the deadline is **Monday 19th October**.

Term Dates

A reminder that the dates sent out last week were for the 2027/28 academic year. These, and the dates for this year (2026/27) are available on the school website.



Will your child be starting school in September 2027?

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 at one of our events for a presentation and tour of the school.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing all the exciting activities and opportunities we offer in our Acorns Reception Class and throughout the school.

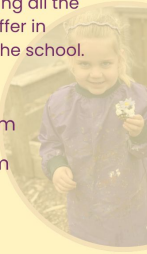
OPEN MORNINGS

- Wednesday 30th September, 9.30am
- Friday 16th October, 9.30am
- Wednesday 18th November, 9.30am
- Friday 11th December, 9.30am

OPEN EVENING

- Wednesday 4th November, 6.30pm

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



Medical Forms

If your child requires medication in school, please note that it is necessary to complete a form for this.

Please note a new form is required each academic year. If you have not yet provided a fresh form for ongoing medication, please provide this as soon as possible.

Forms are available from the School Office and the school [website](#). Thank you.

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
Acorns	Darcie Teddy	N/A	N/A
Ash	Remi	Theo	N/A
Birch	Penelope	Billy	Max and Hope (Caring and Kind)
Chestnut	Alex	Florence	Finley and Lexi (Excellent Effort)
Elm	Chester	Leo	Izzy and Chester (Playing Fair)
Hazel	Fred D	Isla	Freddie W (Playing Fair) and Sofia (Calm and Confident)
Holly	Tommy	Lyra	Charlie and Eleanor (Playing Fair)
Maple	Mila	Daisy	Jasper (Fantastic Focus) and Alfie (Calm and Confident)
Oak	Eric	Sofia	Lexi (Really Resilient) and Hugh (Calm and Confident)
Pine	Rosie	Harry	Finn (Amazing Ability) and Emily (Playing Fair)
Rowan	Kara	Myla	Darcey (Amazing Ability) and Jake (Really Resilient)
Sycamore	Reuben Bethany	Flynn	Sophie and Oscar (Fantastic Focus)
Willow	Todd	Harry	Jack H and Lola (Terrific Teamwork)

Top
Doodle
Class

CHESTNUT





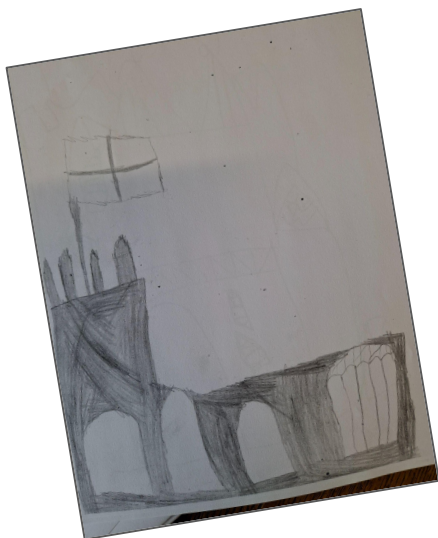
Reading in Year Three

This week, we have continued to develop our reading skills through a fantastic selection of non-fiction texts, many of which have linked closely to our wider learning. In particular, we have enjoyed reading about the skeleton and using our reading skills to find out more about how our bodies are structured and how our bones work.

It has also been wonderful to see the children's responses to their weekly reading home learning. We have been so impressed by the creativity and enthusiasm they have shown in sharing their thoughts and ideas.

It is fantastic to see our children becoming such enthusiastic and creative readers — keep up the great work!

Sketch It Friday





After school sports clubs
Term 1

St John's C of E Primary School



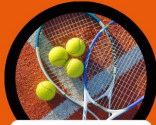
Years 1-2
Football
Monday



Years 3-6
Football
Monday



Years 1-2
Summer Sports
Tuesday



Years 3-6
Summer Sports
Tuesday



Years 1-2
Dodgeball
Wednesday



Years 3-6
Dodgeball
Wednesday

why join...?

- **Inclusive for all Abilities** – activities are adapted so every child can join in and shine!
- **Safe, Supervised, and Structured** – every session is led by qualified coaches with years of experience!
- **Smiles every Session** – children leave buzzing with energy and stories to tell!
 - **Fun Guaranteed** – fun, games based sessions with plenty of action!

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**Years
R - 6**



**09:00
-
15:30**

OCTOBER CAMPS

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



**Verf, Dodgeball
& Archery
Monday 26th Oct**



**Musical Theatre
Tuesday 27th Oct**



**Halloween Party
& Football Camp
Thursday 29th Oct**

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Wraparound club

St John's C of E Primary School



**Option 1
15:00 – 16:15**



**Option 2
15:00 – 17:45**
Includes a light tea



**Option 3
16:00 – 17:45**
Includes a light tea



**Option 4
16:15 – 17:45**
Includes a light tea

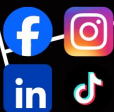
why join...?

- **Something for Everyone** – a fun mix of games, activities, arts and crafts to keep children happy and engaged after school
- **Inclusive for All** – a welcoming environment where every child can join in and enjoy themselves
- **Safe, Supervised & Structured** – the club is run by experienced staff in a safe, positive and supportive environment
- **Relax, Create and Have Fun** – time to unwind after the school day, get creative, play games and enjoy a variety of activities

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PTA News

Dear Parents and Carers

Not long to go until our first Disco of the year on Thursday 15th October. Tickets are on sale via online link (25p transaction fee)

<https://square.link/u/Vl4nS4yl?src=sheet>

Or on sale at school at 3pm on 13th and 14th October at £3 via cash or card. We would be grateful for some volunteers to help at the disco, in particular KS2 if you can. Please find the sign up link:

<https://volunteersignup.org/89REE>

Also we are fast approaching the end of term already! Please can we ask once again for your generous donations on Wednesday 21st October for the non uniform day in the form of bottles for the Tombola for the Christmas Fete.

Following our AGM last night we will be sharing our Festive Events soon!

Thank you for your continued support.

St John's PTA

St John's
C of E Primary School
PTA PRESENTS
DISCO
Thursday 15th October
Dance • Sing • Have Fun!
KS1 5.00 - 6.00
KS2 6.30 - 7.30
£3 PER TICKET
Available via online link or sold at 3pm on 13th and 14th October by the Pottery Room
Introducing our **Quiet Zone**
A calm space for those who prefer a quieter break from the dance floor.
TUCK SHOP ALL ITEMS 50p
GLOW STICKS 50p
Thank you for supporting St John's PTA!

St John's
C of E Primary School
NON UNIFORM Donation
WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER
BOTTLE DONATIONS
ALCOHOL & NON ALCOHOL WELCOME!
Examples include:
PROSECCO, Cabernet Sauvignon, GIN, WHISKY, VODKA, Sauvignon Blanc, PALE ALE, COLA
DONATIONS FOR **TOMBOLA** AT CHRISTMAS!
Help us make our Christmas Tombola extra special!
DONATIONS AT MORNING DROP OFF
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!
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Community Notices





Webinar Event



Sleep support

Practical advice and support to help your child sleep well and feel rested.





Free to attend

The School Aged Health Service will be hosting a webinar for parents and carers of primary aged children for sleep support. Providing information, support and practical strategies to implement

The webinar will cover:



Understanding your child's sleep



Practical tips and strategies



Where to get help and support



Date: 14th October 2026
Time: 10.00



Join by scanning the QR code or clicking the link below



<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/09a091b8-528d-4019-b105-1a5154027f84@2c2b1ee0-a8a1-49e6-a820-5ce4890cf466?source=copyLinkLegacyShareEventDialog>




Does your child have difficulties with behaviour or attention?

Help improve local support services by taking part in research!



We are looking for families with children **aged 9-12** who may experience one or more of the following:

- Attend specialist/alternative provision because of difficulties in school.
- Often feel overwhelmed, frustrated, or dysregulated.
- Have been on a behaviour support plan or have been suspended or excluded.

And live in Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon or Wiltshire





- 90 minute interview with you and 30 minutes with your child (optional)
- We can travel to see you or meet you near where you live.
- You will get £30 and your child £10

Want to learn more?

- Email the team: pathways-study@bath.ac.uk
- Call/text: **07980 962364**
- Scan the QR code



Study end date: December 2027 Ethics ID: 14075

DYNOS KIDS CLUB

AND FREE PARENTS/CARERS CAFE

WEDNESDAYS DURING TERM TIME

7PM - 8.00PM

WELTON CHAPEL

AGE 6 - YEAR 6

PLACES ARE LIMITED SO YOU MUST BOOK IN ADVANCE BY CONTACTING CAROLINE ON

CAROLINE.GRIFFITHS@WELTONCHURCH.ORG.UK

OR 07942721900

GAMES



QUIZ

music

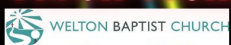


BAKING

Craft



AND MUCH MORE



Capture the Cathedral in a Drawing

Saturday 10 October, 10.30am–3.30pm

Pick up free art materials and sketch whatever inspires you – windows, carvings, tiny details, or your own unique view, with the option to have your sketch displayed in an online exhibition! All ages and abilities welcome.

Admission FREE with entry to the Cathedral. No need to book – simply drop in on the day!

Find out more at:

www.wellscathedral.org.uk/whats-on

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Half-Term Holiday Activities: Taking Time

27–29 October, 10.30am–3.30pm

Have fun exploring the time-themed installations from Wells Art Contemporary, and join us to fashion your own creations!

Discover optical illusions, learn about the Cathedral's incredible Astronomical Clock, and make your own spinning seasons wheel. Suitable for children and families.

Admission included with entry to Wells Cathedral.

No need to book – simply drop in on the day! More info at:

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Come and join our Rhythmic Gymnastics Experience Camps

Mon 26th, Tues 27th & Wed 28th October | 9am – 12pm | University of Bath STV

Discover the exciting world of rhythmic gymnastics!

Combining music, movement, flexibility and coordination, our camps give children the chance to learn new skills, try exciting apparatus and build confidence in a fun, friendly and supportive environment.



LEARN

New skills, rolls, jumps and leaps



TRY

Hand apparatus of ribbon, hoop, ball, rope and more – all with music!



ENJOY

Fun, supportive coaching and make new friends



For reception age and above



Non-members welcome



All abilities welcome



Also open to current RDP, mini squad and pre-espoir group gymnasts too

£21 per session | £60 if you book all 3



Online booking via www.TeamBathRhythmic.com



Questions to bath.rhythmic.info@gmail.com

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spooky HALLOWEEN family swims
sunday 1st Nov

9am

10am

11am

Come along for a spooktacular swim!
Fancy dress welcome!