

# Newsletter 32 Friday 27th June 2025

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**



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## FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Good afternoon everyone,

We have had a busy week this week across the school. Year 1 went to Berkeley Castle, EYFS went to the Bristol Zoo project, Year 4 went to the Weston Museum and Year 5 went on a Victorian Town walk! Wow all to enrich the curriculum and their learning. We have also had a new canopy shelter fitted for EYFS. I was fortunate to visit another school in Bristol this week to gain insights into how we, as a school, can ensure that we are providing the best opportunities for our children with English as an additional language. It was a very informative trip and lots of good ideas that we can use here in the new year. Tomorrow is

the Summer fete, please come and support us. We have a signing up sheet for hopefully a new PTA. If this is something you may be interested in, please sign up an expression of interest.

Have a lovely weekend.

Regards

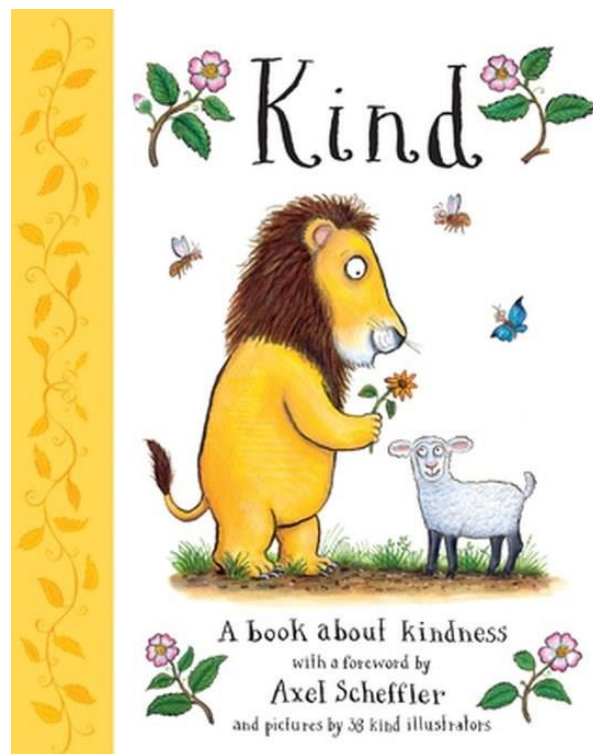
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**COME AND JOIN US! OUR NEXT MEETING IS:**



## BOOK OF THE WEEK



Our Reading for Pleasure Service takes place every Wednesday. Reading for pleasure is a wonderful way to spark imagination, develop empathy, and improve language skills. It's a chance to escape into different worlds, meet fascinating characters, and learn new things.

Each week, one of our teachers will share their favourite book and read a short extract from it. The book will then be displayed in our foyer and will be available for pupils to borrow. This is a great opportunity for the children to discover new authors and genres, and to find books that you and your child will enjoy reading together.

**This week, Mrs Sommers-Burrows shared her favourite book, 'Kind' by Alison Green.**

**This is not a story book, but rather a child-friendly description of the many forms of kindness, suggesting numerous simple and attainable ways that young children can be kind to others. It boils down to simple messages – consider the feelings of others, be helpful and thoughtful whenever you can, and respect and enjoy each other's differences.**

### INSET DAYS FOR 2025-2026 \*UPDATED\*

We are starting to compile a list of INSET day's for next academic year, which will hopefully help families plan for holidays or childcare. So far the dates confirmed are:

Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Friday 24th October 2025

Friday 19th December 2025

Monday 5th January 2026

Monday 23rd February 2026

Monday 1st June 2026

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From **£24.68** per day

# SUPER

# SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

**★ CARING, ENERGETIC STAFF**  
Our experienced team knows how to make every child feel welcome, safe, and excited to join in.

**★ ACTIVITY FOR EVERYONE**  
Whether your child thrives on competitive sport or just wants relaxed fun with friends, they'll find their fit here.

**★ BRILLIANT DAILY CRAFTS**  
Hands-on creations your child will love making (and bringing home to proudly show off!).

**★ PLANNED TO PERFECTION**  
Each day is thoughtfully designed to mix high-energy games with creative downtime - no two days are the same!

**SME news**  
Southern Enterprise Awards 2024  
**Future Stars Coaching Ltd**  
Best Sports Coaching Organisation 2024 South West

**QUICK BOOK**

**23rd July - 29th August**  
8am until 5pm (shorter days available)  
Childcare vouchers accepted

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TERM SIX DATES



**CHRIST CHURCH  
CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**SUMMER  
FAIR**

**GAMES RAFFLE TOMBOLA  
FACE PAINTING ICE CREAM  
SWEETS DRINKS**

**SATURDAY 28TH JUNE  
FROM 1-3PM**

## **SUMMER FETE!!**

**Our Summer Fete will take place at the school on Saturday 28th June from 1-3pm. This is a staff-run fete with food, drink, games and tombolas!**

## **YEAR 6 PERFORMANCE OF CHARLIE & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY**

Performances will be taking place on **Wednesday 9th July and Thursday 10th July**, both at **6:30pm**.

## **WORLD COFFEE MORNING**

Our popular World Coffee Morning is at **8:45am on Friday 18th July**. All nationalities are welcome!

## **YEAR 6 LEAVERS SERVICE**

The Leavers Service will take place on **Tuesday 22nd July** from **10-11am**.

## **LAST DAY OF TERM IS TUESDAY 22ND JULY.**

### **SUMMER READING CHALLENGE**

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Welcome to the Summer Reading Challenge! Take part online or at your local library.

The Reading Agency is delighted to announce the theme for the 2025 [Summer Reading Challenge](#): **Story Garden – Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors**. This exciting new theme will inspire children to tap into a world of imagination through reading, exploring the magical connection between storytelling and nature.

The annual Summer Reading Challenge is delivered in partnership with public libraries across the UK, and it's free for children to take part. Throughout the summer, children joining 'Story Garden' can discover new books, participate in free activities at their local library, and explore the link between reading and the great outdoors, where nature and imagination come together.

This year's Summer Reading Challenge features artwork from award-winning illustrator **Dapo Adeola**, whose stunning illustrations will bring the Story Garden theme to life; creating an enchanting world where children can find magical creatures, plants and flowers to inspire their next reading adventure.

## What is the Summer Reading Challenge?

1 in 4 children cannot read well by the age of 11. This hugely limits their life choices and skills. We're on a mission to change this.

The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children to keep reading during the summer holidays, ensuring they are ready for a great start to the new term in the autumn. Children set a reading goal and collect rewards for reading anything they enjoy. Children can sign up at their [local library](#) or [online](#), and it's **FREE** to take part.

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### SUNNY WEATHER

The Met Office have reported UV index levels of 8. That means:

Slap on Factor 50 sunscreen - an all day 8-hours sunscreen is available from shops.

Slip on long sleeves especially if your child has very fair-skinned.

Slap on a wide-brimmed hat.

Make the most of shaded areas - we have got the canopy open on sunny days.

We politely ask that children keep sunglasses for walking to and from school only, and not wear them during the school day unless they have a medical necessity-please report this to the school teacher if this is the case.

You can view the daily UV index here on: [MET office](#)

For more information, go to: [Care in the Sun](#)

LOW	NO PROTECTION REQUIRED
1-2	Unless outdoors for extended periods, or near reflective surfaces such as snow or water.
MODERATE	PROTECTION REQUIRED
3-5	Slip on clothing. Slap on sunscreen, use sun protection factor (SPF) 30 for adults and 50 for children. Slap on a wide brimmed hat.
HIGH	Seek shade during midday hours.
6-7	Slide on sunglasses, wraparound are best.
VERY HIGH	EXTRA PROTECTION REQUIRED
8-10	Avoid being outside during midday hours. Make sure you seek shade.
EXTREME	Always wear sunscreen and protective clothing i.e. shirt, hat, and sunglasses.
11+	

#### AFTER SCHOOL WRAP AROUND CARE

Just to remind families that Future Stars are managing the wrap around care at Christ Church, offering sessions from 3:15 till 18:00 for just £7. This includes a snack. To sign up your child up please go to [www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk](http://www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk)

# Parenting village coffee morning

This is a relaxed and friendly drop-in session where parents and parenting specialists will be on hand to share resources, offer support, a listening ear or just spend time talking about what it's like to be a parent.

“It takes a village to raise a child” comes from an old African proverb. It shares the message that it takes many people to provide a safe and healthy environment in which children can flourish.



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**When?** First Thursday of each month  
**Where?** Nailsea and Backwell Children's Centre, Pound Lane, Nailsea, BS48 2NP  
**What time?** 1.30pm - 3pm
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**When?** First Friday of each month  
**Where?** Castle Batch Children's Centre, Bishop Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS22 7PQ  
**What time?** 09:30am – 11:00am
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**When?** Second Tuesday of each month  
**Where?** Oldmixon Family Centre, Monkton Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS24 9DA  
**What time?** 09:00am – 11:00am
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**When?** Third Monday of each month  
**Where?** Clevedon Library, 37 Old Church Road, BS21 6NN  
**What time?** 9.30am - 11am

Scan here to learn more about our advanced parenting groups



North Somerset children's centres



## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Getting your child to school on time really matters		
If in a school year your child is late everyday .....	Your child would have lost approximately .....	Or they would have missed approximately .....
5 Minutes	3 days from school	16 lessons lost
10 Minutes	5 days from school	32 lessons lost
15 Minutes	8 days from school	48 lessons lost
20 Minutes	11 days from school	63 lessons lost
30 Minutes	16 days from school	95 lessons lost



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# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

# TIPS FOR FAMILIES

Place2Be's  
**CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**

## 1 Encourage journalling

Just like Riley, encourage your older children and young people to express their emotions and thoughts through journalling. It can be less confronting than speaking out loud and is a helpful way to process what is going on.

## 2 Make space for reflection

When children and young people reflect on their different emotions, it can help them better understand themselves and what they need.

Go for a walk, drive, or try some mindful colouring or baking together.

## 3 Be visual

Use imagery, such as emojis or flashcards to help children and young people recognise and label their feelings.

## 4 Practice mindfulness

Try mindful activities, and quiet family time, to enjoy being in the present moment. This can help children and young people be aware of their thoughts and emotions and learn a useful new coping technique.

## 5 Communicate

Feedback is crucial for helping us see our blind spots and gain greater insight. Children and young people are no different. Creating safe and supportive ways to share your own experience with your child can help them understand themselves and their impact on the world around them.



If you're a parent or teacher, you'll find loads of useful advice to help you support the brilliant young people in your lives – from FAQs to downloadable packs. [Here4You.co.uk](https://www.here4you.co.uk)



# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SCAMS AND FAKE NEWS

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

"Fake news" refers to falsified or misleading material presented as a legitimate account of events. It's often used by malicious actors online to push an agenda, or even by criminals as a way of making scams more persuasive. Scammers can trick us into handing over personal information, security details and even our hard-earned cash.

### "CLICKBAIT" PHISHING SCAMS

A message arrives saying "Have you seen this video of yourself?" or you might be sent an attention-grabbing headline about a celebrity that's been shared on social media. This kind of "bait" is produced by scammers to drive us to click on an unsafe link, where malware could be downloaded to our devices. These scams rely on our curiosity and our "need-to-know" instinct.

### SALES, DEALS & DISCOUNTS

Some scams appear as adverts, offering a chance to buy something – such as designer products, expensive gadgets or tickets to a popular show – at a reduced price. Such plays often include a time limit or countdown, urging us to hurry so we don't miss out on the deal. This pressure encourages us to input personal details or payment information before pausing to check if it's legitimate.

### YOU'RE A WINNER!

This kind of scam involves fake giveaways, opportunities or freebies. It could be a message saying we've won a prize draw or competition. Or it could be a gift, free trial, bonus credit, and so on. It might claim that a package or refund is waiting. All these techniques are used to prompt us to share our personal information, thinking that there's something to be gained by doing so.

### FALSE FRIENDSHIPS

Scammers often pretend to be someone they're not to gain their victims' trust. They might attempt to convince any children they connect with that they're a child of similar age with shared interests. Warning signs include a high volume of messages (often with an intense tone), secrecy, inappropriate levels of intimacy, guilt tripping, emotional manipulation, threats or blackmail.

### PANIC MODE

To trigger a sense of panic, scammers may claim that a child's account has been hacked, or a virus has been installed on their device, or any number of other scary scenarios. They may claim to be able to fix the problem or offer a solution – if the child hands over control of the device or sensitive information. Similar scams involve impersonating a friend or relative, claiming that they're in trouble and need help.

### FAKE CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENTS

Impersonating influential people online is a common tactic for scammers, who can use technology to create fake photos, audio and even videos that look authentic. These can be used to convince us, for example, to buy products, sign up for so-called "business opportunities" or invest in cryptocurrency schemes – all of which are fake or otherwise malicious. Many scams also involve the impersonation of popular companies' social media accounts, as well as those of individuals.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### STAY INFORMED

Stay up to date with the latest information and best practice on cyber-security. See what scam stories are reported in the news and make note of what tactics were used. Keep up with young people's digital lives; talk about what they're doing online and use properly endorsed resources to learn what risks certain sites and apps pose to their younger users.

### TALK TOGETHER

Chat often and openly with young people about fake news, online scams and how they both work. Encourage them to talk to you about anything they're unsure of or worried about online. If a child claims to have been scammed, don't pass judgement. Blaming the victim may deter young people from asking you for help. Remember, adults are scammed just as often, if not more.

### ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SCEPTICISM

Most scams rely on emotional or psychological manipulation, tapping into our human instincts – whether that's to keep ourselves safe, help others, find answers, make friends, avoid losing out or to secure something we really want. Encourage children to recognise that pressure to act and to always consult with an adult – especially if what's on offer sounds too good to be true.

### BE PROACTIVE

Children increasingly use digital devices for education, socialising, shopping and play. Don't wait for a problem to arise before you discuss the risk of scams, false information and fake news. Highlight what to look out for and clearly communicate under what circumstances the child ought to speak to an adult. Finally, ensure that they're aware of the support services that are available to them (such as Childline).

### Meet Our Expert

Dr Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading expert in digital safety, media law and young people. Her PhD investigates children's understandings of risk online. She works with schools, businesses, and universities to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal and ethical considerations for the digital age. Visit [OnlineMediaLaw.co.uk](https://OnlineMediaLaw.co.uk) for more.



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OPAL PLAY NEWS



We are delighted to share with you that we have been awarded **OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) Gold status!**

We have an new empty shed that desperately needs filling with new OPAL donations!! Please please please check through the the posters below to see what we items can be donated!

To find out more about OPAL, please visit [outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk](http://outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk)



**Christ Church C.E. Primary School**

*Attention parents of Christ Church!*

## OPAL PLAY DONATIONS NEEDED!

We are enriching our OPAL play program and need your help.  
Do you have any of the following items at home that you could donate?

- Buckets & Spades
- Plastic Containers
- Dressing Up Clothes
- Old Phones
- Keyboards
- Cable drums
- Children's Umbrellas
- Saucepans, frying pans & kitchen utensils

Every little bit helps! Thank you for supporting our children's playtime adventures!



### CLOTHING COLLECTION

Rags2Riches will be collecting donations of clothes at 9am on **FRIDAY 4TH JULY**. We are happy to accept bags of clothes the day before but no sooner due to space in school.

Your donation goes to Ukraine to help those who need it most, and the school receives a small amount of money to donate to causes such as school trips and experiences.

Uniforms **with a logo** are not able to be donated unfortunately.

Your donations are sincerely appreciated!

## PERSONAL BEST AWARDS



Every week, Personal Best certificates are awarded to children who have been recognised for their hard work and fantastic attitudes.

Reception - Maddison for fantastic behaviour on a school trip.

Year One - Caleb for fantastic knowledge sharing.

Year Two - George & Kyle for fabulous participation and demonstrating school values on our school trip.

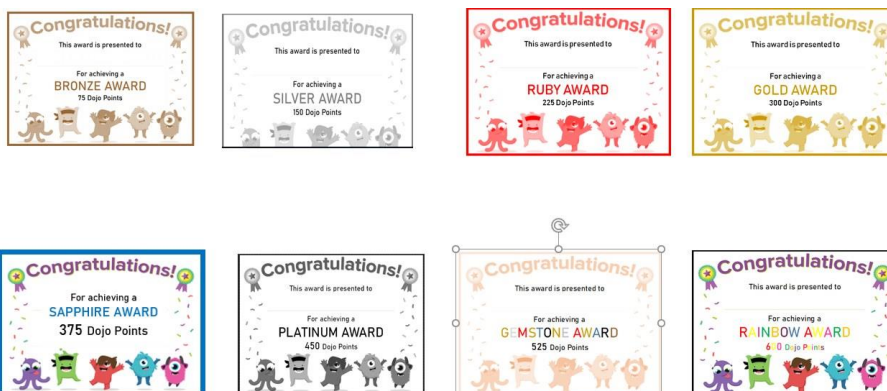
Year Three - Fletcher for engagement in class.

Year Four - Natasza for great focus and hard work all week.

Year Five - Thea for always doing her best and giving 100%.

Year Six - Rebeka for a positive attitude in play rehearsals.

## DOJO CERTIFICATES



Dojo points are Christ Church Primary School's own way of rewarding pupils for outstanding work & behaviour. Once a pupil has earned enough points they are awarded a certificate during school assembly to celebrate all their hard work.

**Bronze (75 points)**

**Silver (150 points)** Michael in Year 5 & Mihnea in Year 6.

**Ruby (225 points)** Dexter in Year 4, Betty in Year 6.

**Gold (300 points)** Eli in Year 2, Alvin and Margot in Year 4, Josh, & Rebeka & Skarlette in Year 5.

**Sapphire (375 points)** Anna, Reuben, Vienna, Dakota, Nia, Desi, Zach, George in Year 2, Aalekh, Jas and Nellie in Year 4, Cedrick, Charlie, Alina, Dawid, Emily and Luis in Year 5, Sam, & Sara & Silvie in Year 6.

**Platinum (450 points)**

Denis in Year 2, Evelin and Vera in Year 4, Lucas in Year 5, Arlo & Siyana in Year 6.

**Gemstone (525 points)**

**Rainbow (600 points)**

### STAR READER



**Reading 50 times at home:**

**Reading 100 times at home:** Zeynep from Year 4.

**Reading 150 times at home:** Aalekh, Mikael & Nellie from Year 4, & Oli in Year 6.

**Reading 200 times at home:** Albie in Reception & Jas from Year 4.

**Reading 250 times at home:** Vera from Year 4.

### Headteachers Awards



A Headteacher Award is given to children for exceptional work of which they should be proud!

Seb, Oliver and Billy for their stunning Victorian sketches,  
Alex in EYFS for super independent writing,  
Enzo and Dominic in Year 5 for fabulous grammar,  
Enzo in Year 5 for having a focused attitude, and  
Betty, Mia, Rebeka, & Skarlette in Year 6 for great symmetry in art.

Stars of the Week & Star Writer



Our Star of the week awards are awarded weekly to pupils and staff.

**Our Star of the week is:** Sylvia in Year 3 for always being polite.

**Our adult Star of the Week is:** Mr Hiscox and Mr Bazell for arranging a fabulous sports day for everyone.

**Our Star Writer is:** Albie in Year 5 for his amazing limerick writing.

## Quick guide to FREE SCHOOL MEALS

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

If you receive any of these you will qualify:

- ✓ Income support
- ✓ income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- ✓ income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- ✓ support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ✓ the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- ✓ Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- ✓ Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- ✓ Universal Credit with annual take home pay/net earnings below £7,400 (which equals £616.67 per month) benefits not included.

### WHAT IS FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Free school meals from Reception to Year 6,  
Free holiday provision during the Christmas, Easter and Summer holidays through the Holiday (Activities and Food (HAF) programme), and help towards uniform & school trips.



**To apply visit**  
<https://n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/schools-learning/local-schools/free-school-meals> or scan the QR code





**We are here to help**  
 If you need any help applying or have any questions, please visit the school office.  
 Call: 01934 620738 Email: [office@christchurchprimaryschool.org](mailto:office@christchurchprimaryschool.org)

### Dates for your Diary

#### CLUBS

Lego Club (Year 1, 2 3 & 4) Tuesdays

Little Kickers (Reception, Year 1, & 2) Thursdays

Multisports Club Mondays (Year 1 & 2), Tuesdays (Year 3 & 4) Wednesdays (Year 5 & 6)

Art Club (Year 3, 4, 5, 6) Mondays

Futurestars (all years) All week

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