

# Newsletter 29 Friday 6th June 2025

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16

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MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
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## LETTER FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Good afternoon everyone,

I hope you all had a restful break as we head into this last term. We have had our Health and Safety Audit this week and I am pleased to say that we have a school that is in a very good safe condition. Our Nurture hub is now finished and will be furnished shortly ready for the opening on 17th June by the Bishop of Bath and Wells. Due to capacity, we are unable to invite parents but we will be taking lots of photos and adding a special piece in that week's newsletter. Today we have had our annual Academy review of the school teaching and learning which went very well so a huge thank you to the staff here who work hard to

ensure that there is a minimum of good education provision. Our new theme for service this term is Truth and Truthfulness. Have a peaceful weekend and we will see you next week.

Mr James

#### A MESSAGE FROM NORTH SOMERSET

Hello...

North Somerset Council is writing a children and young peoples plan. We really want to hear all children's and young peoples voices and views. If you are aged between 5 up to 18 or 25 if you have different abilities (SEND). Please complete the short survey, it is 5 questions, you can give us as much information as you want to.

Remember to press SUBMIT when you have finished, if you are completing online.

If you have any questions or would like this survey in another language, please let us know.

email [engagement.participation@n-somerset.gov.uk](mailto:engagement.participation@n-somerset.gov.uk)

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/Children-youngpersons-families-plan/>

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#### DONATIONS -LITTLE PEOPLE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are on the lookout for a few items that will enrich learning as well as keep them comfortable.

We would be grateful of any easy board games suitable for young children (snakes and ladders etc). Games with simple rules that are fairly quick to play would be very welcome.

Secondly, we are in need of **school trousers in ages 4-6**. Accidents happen, and having a small supply of spares ensures that all our children can continue their day comfortably and confidently. Any clean trousers in good condition would be hugely appreciated.

Finally, if you have any **spare fabric sheets** e.g. duvet covers lying around at home that you no longer need, we would be very grateful for them. Our children love making dens with them and also provides an extra bit of shelter from the sunny weather!

Please bring items into the school office or to the child's class teacher.

We are grateful for your generosity!



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



#### [INSET DAYS FOR 2025-2026](#)

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

We have two more dates left to be confirmed.

## TERM SIX DATES



### **YEAR 4 MULTIPLICATION TABLES CHECK**

This is a statutory assessment that will take place for Year 4 pupils within a 2-week window. Support your child by growing their confidence, making practice fun and encourage self reflection.

### **YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING CHECK**

The phonics screening check is taken individually by all children in Year 1. It is a nationally required assessment which will be taking place in the week beginning **Monday 9th June**.

It is designed to give teachers and parents information on how your child is progressing in phonics. It will help to identify whether your child needs additional support at this stage so that they do not fall behind in this vital early reading skill.

Support your child by continuing to listen to your children read their phonics books, reading to your child and creating a fun and supportive environment.

### **YEAR 6 SCHOOL TRIP TO WELLS CATHEDRAL**

Year 6 will be attending the Move Up Celebration on **Tuesday 10th June**. Christ Church has kindly offered to pay for the coach travel so there is no charge for this trip. Please make sure your child has a packed lunch and a bottle of water, sun cream & sun hat.

### **YEAR 5 & 6 TRIP TO BRISTOL HIPPODROME**

Year 5 & 6 will be going to see War Horse on **Wednesday 11th June**. Please ensure payment is made on Parentpay (or cash to the office if problems with Parentpay.) Children will be leaving in the afternoon, and anticipated to be returned at 6:15pm for collection by an adult.

### **FOREST SCHOOL YEAR 4 CLASS**

Forest School for **Year 4** takes place on **Tuesday 10th June** (Group A) and on **Thursday 12th June** (Group B). Please ensure permission slips have been returned or completed via ParentPay. There is no charge for the trip. Children will need to wear suitable outdoor clothes that can get muddy, and sun hats if the weather is sunny.

### **DONATION DAY**

On **Thursday 12th June**, the children are welcome to wear non-school uniform and instead of money we are asking for donations of **bottles** of alcoholic or non-alcoholic drinks from **Years 3-6** and **chocolate** and **sweets** from **Reception-Year 2**. This is for our summer fair tombola.

### **TULIP PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS PHOTOS**

Tulip Photography will be taking class photos on **Friday 13th June**. We look forward to seeing our pupils smartly dressed and looking their best!

### **PARENTS EVENING**

Slots are now available to book on **SchoolPing** on **Tuesday 17th June** between 3-5:30pm, and on **Thursday 19th June** from 3:30-5pm. If you have any issues making those days please inform the class teacher.

### **SPORTS DAY**

Sports Day for **EYFS ONLY** will be taking place on **Thursday 19th June** from 9-10am and Sports Day for **Years 1-6** will take place on **Friday 20th June**. A timetable will be available shortly. Ice creams will be available to purchase on the day for £1 each.

### **FOREST SCHOOL EYFS CLASS**

Forest School for **EYFS** takes place on **Tuesday 17th June** (Group A) and on **Thursday 19th June** (Group B). Please ensure permission slips have been returned or completed via ParentPay. There is no charge for the trip. Children will need to wear suitable outdoor clothes that can get muddy, and sun hats if the weather is sunny. Children will need to be

collected from Wood Lane. Children attending Lego club or Little Kickers will walk back with teachers to attend the clubs.

### **YEAR 1 SCHOOL TRIP TO NOAHS ARK**

Year 1 will be going to Noah's Ark on **Wednesday 18th June**. Please make sure your child has a packed lunch and a bottle of water, sun cream & sun hat. Please ensure payment is made on Parentpay (or cash to the office if problems with Parentpay.)

### **BOOK FAIR**

Our annual book fair is arriving on **Thursday 19th June** for a week. They are still running their 3 for 2 deal and can take payments by card like last year.

### **YEAR 2 SCHOOL TRIP TO BERKELEY CASTLE**

Year 2 will be going to Berkeley Castle on **Monday 23rd June**. Please make sure your child has a packed lunch and a bottle of water, sun cream & sun hat. Please ensure payment is made on Parentpay (or cash to the office if problems with Parentpay.)

### **EYFS SCHOOL TRIP TO BRISTOL ZOO PROJECT**

EYFS will be going to Bristol Zoo Project on **Tuesday 24th June**. Please make sure your child has a packed lunch and a bottle of water, sun cream & sun hat. Please ensure payment is made on Parentpay (or cash to the office if problems with Parentpay.)

### **YEAR 4 SCHOOL TRIP TO WESTON MUSEUM**

Year 4 will be going to Bristol Zoo Project on **Wednesday 25th June**. Please make sure your child has a packed lunch and a bottle of water, sun cream & sun hat. There is no charge for this trip.

### **SUMMER FAYRE!!**

**Saturday 28th June from 1-3pm!**

### **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.**

### **SUNNY WEATHER**

The Met Office have reported UV index levels of 5. 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	<p>Slip on clothing.</p> <p>Slop on sunscreen, use sun protection factor (SPF) 30 for adults and 50 for children.</p> <p>Slap on a wide brimmed hat.</p>
HIGH	Seek shade during midday hours.
6-7	Slide on sunglasses, wraparound are best.
VERY HIGH	EXTRA PROTECTION REQUIRED
8-10	<p>Avoid being outside during midday hours.</p> <p>Make sure you seek shade.</p>
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.



 **When?** First Thursday of each month  
**Where?** Nailsea and Backwell Children's Centre,  
Pound Lane, Nailsea, BS48 2NP  
**What time?** 1.30pm - 3pm

 **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

 **When?** Second Tuesday of each month  
**Where?** Oldmixon Family Centre, Monkton Avenue,  
Weston-super-Mare, BS24 9DA  
**What time?** 09:00am – 11:00am

 **When?** Third Monday of each month  
**Where?** Clevedon Library, 37 Old Church Road,  
BS21 6NN  
**What time?** 9.30am - 11am

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more about our  
advanced  
parenting groups




North Somerset  
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## SUMMER FAYRE - TEDDY TOMBOLA DONATION REQUEST!

This year we will be hosting a Summer Fayre on **Saturday 28th June**. We're organizing a teddy tombola and would be so grateful if you have any spare teddies or soft toys you'd be willing to donate. Any size or condition is welcome!



# WHAT'S IT LIKE TO GROW UP IN NORTH SOMERSET?

If you are between 5 and 19 years old, we want to hear from you.

you have until June 1 2025, can send us a creative response to the question, "What's it like to grow up in North Somerset?" for the chance to win an Amazon voucher!

Tell us your story—your way!

## We love a bit of creativity

- You can send us your letters, poems, music videos, paintings, drawings, posters, podcasts, animations, or any other way you can think of to tell us your thoughts, you can even create a rap and perform it
- BUT!!! dont forget to record it, draw it or write it!! and send it to if its over 20mb, dont forget to zip it in a file before sending.
- [Engagement.Participation@n-somerset.gov.uk](mailto:Engagement.Participation@n-somerset.gov.uk)

**Closing date 1st June 2025**  
**masterpiece winners announced 30th June.**

We want to hear it all—your thoughts, your vibes, your take on everything happening around you!

What's on your mind?

### 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 journaling

Just like Riley, encourage your older children and young people to express their emotions and thoughts through journaling. 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



**\*DONATION REQUEST!\***

**Donations of curtains, duvet covers or any large fabric cover that can be used to make dens with would be very appreciated!**

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 CE Primary School**  
1893

*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.

Please read the poster attached for a list of what is accepted. 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 - Miruna for always working hard in class.

Year One - Teddy for fantastic explanations.

Year Two - Timi for fab focus and excellent effort.

Year Three - Jason for huge development in his reading.

Year Four - Jan for starting the new term with enthusiasm and focus.

Year Five - Dawid for showing determination in maths.

Year Six - Arlo for his fabulous poster on Kenya.

## 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)** Nathi in Year 6.

**Ruby (225 points)** Molly in Year 4 & Isaac & Ruby in Year 6.

**Gold (300 points)** Melyssa in Year 1 & Ashwin in Year 6.

**Sapphire (375 points)** Ella and Arla in Year 1, Anastasia & Amelie in Year 2, Erin & Ruby in Year 5 & Oli in Year 6.

**Platinum (450 points)** Daria in Year 2 & Jenson in Year 5.

**Gemstone (525 points)**

**Rainbow (600 points)**

### STAR READER



#### Reading 50 times at home:

Heidi & Maia in EYFS, Ella in Year 1, & Leo, Timi, Lucien, & Anna in Year 2.

#### Reading 100 times at home:

Luna S in EYFS, Reuben, Nia, & Hunter in Year 2, & Antonia in Year 4.

#### Reading 150 times at home:

Laurel in Year 1, & Desi & Amelie in Year 2.

#### Reading 200 times at home:

#### Reading 250 times at home:

### Headteachers Awards



A Headteacher Award is given to children for exceptional work of which they should be proud! Well done to Michael S in Year 5 for amazing maths coordinates independently.



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:** Alvin in Year 4 for being focused even when distractions are around him he is still able to support others.

**Our adult Star of the Week is:** Mrs Gregory for her continued hard work that always comes with a smile.



**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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