

Newsletter 25-Friday 25th April 2025

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



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LETTER FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Good afternoon everyone,

A shorter week this week but none the less busy.

Well done to pupils in Year 3 who represented the school at a PE event at Worle Village school. All academy schools took part in cup stacking, corn hole and Moulky sports -some they had never played before. They were a credit to the school with amazing performances.

Our Nurture Hub is starting to take shape now with the new windows/doors and kitchen being fitted. They are ahead of schedule and so we will be able to get our playground back sooner than was expected.

It looks to be a very busy term with lots of exciting trips planned, Year 6 camp, Forest school and of course SATs week.

I hope you all have a very restful weekend and hopefully the sun will continue to shine.

Warm regards,

Mr James

[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:

Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Friday 24th October 2025

Friday 19th December 2025

Monday 5th January 2026

We have two more dates left to be confirmed.

[NEXT WEEK - SCHOOL EVENTS!](#)



On Monday 28th April, Year 4 are hosting a cake sale! Please could families donate cakes to sell (either home-made or store brought) however we ask for no nuts please and a list of ingredients. Please bring them in Monday morning.

All cakes are 50p to buy and we recommend bringing in a box or tin to transport your tasty treat home.

Tuesday 29th April will see Year 3 & Year 4 going to Bristol. Please ensure you have given permission and payment for these trips. The permission and payment can be made on

ParentPay. They will need to bring a packed lunch and a bottle of water to take with them to Bristol.

Also on Tuesday 29th April is the Phonics Screener Workshop for Year 1 parents at 2:30-3:00pm. If you did not make the meeting last week, we strongly encourage families to attend this meeting.

Forest School for Year 2 takes place on Tuesday 29th April (Group A) and on Thursday 1st May (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.

Finally, on Friday 2nd May Year's 5 & 6 will be hosting their cake sale. Again, please could families donate cakes to sell (either home-made or store brought) however we ask for no nuts please and a list of ingredients. Please bring them in Friday morning!

SUNNY WEATHER

With the days getting sunnier, the Met Office have reported UV index levels of 4 for the week. 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.

You can view the daily UV index here on:

<https://weather.metoffice.gov.uk/forecast/gcjuh73jb#?forecastChoice=weather&date=2025-04-02>

For more information, go to: <https://careinthesun.org/sun-protection/protecting-childrens-skin/#:~:text=Children's%20skin%20is%20more%20sensitive,it%20is%20cool%20or%20cloudy>.

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



WORLD

COFFEE MORNING

ALL NATIONALITIES
WELCOME FOR A CHAT
OVER A CUP OF COFFEE
AND A PASTRY.

COME AND JOIN US! OUR NEXT MEETING IS:



TUESDAY 20TH MAY 2025
08:45-09:45



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

Scan here to learn more about our advanced parenting groups



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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.

Book Service will resume next week.

SUMMER FAYRE

This year we will be hosting a Summer Fayre! Please save the date for **Saturday 28th June**. More details to follow later in the year.

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

North Somerset Council

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

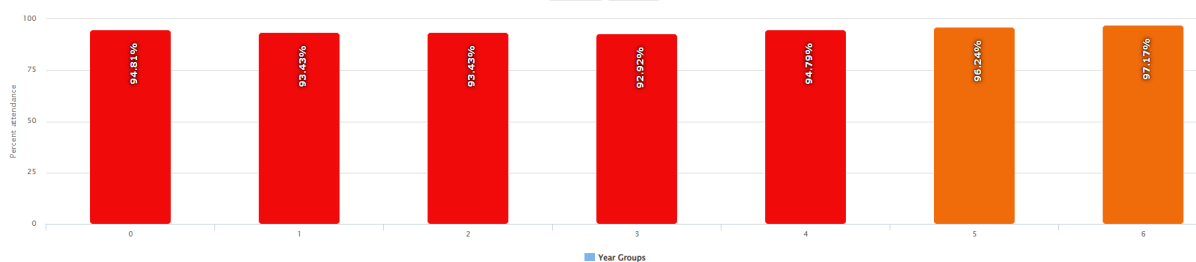
- You can send us your letters, poems, music videos, paintings, drawings, posters, podcasts, animations, or any other way you can think of to tell us your thoughts, you can even create a rap and perform it
- BUT!!! dont forget to record it, draw it or write it!! and send it to if its over 20mb, dont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

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



SCAN ME

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 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! Thank you.

To find out more about OPAL, please visit 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!

The Play Types



Supporting school improvement through play www.outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk

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Natural Loose Parts



Upcycled Loose Parts



PERSONAL BEST AWARDS



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

Reception - Jude for careful thinking when learning about teen numbers.

Year One - Evelyn for settling well back into school.

Year Two - Zach for always being a good friend and helping others.

Year Three- Solomon for displaying fantastic resilience towards his learning.

Year Four - Arsalan for great focus on his learning this week.

Year Five - Dominic for incredible general knowledge.

Year Six - Mia for a positive attitude in the build up to SAT's!

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) Sylvia in Year 3

Silver (150 points) Grace in Year 6

Ruby (225 points)

Nila in Year 2, Luna, Mattias, & Fletcher in Year 3, and Ashwin & Rebeka in Year 6

Gold (300 points)

Ilene & Dakota in Year 2, Mario, Pepi, & Esmae in Year 3, Izzy and Nellie in Year 4, Thea, Alina, Charlie, & Cedrick in Year 5, Sam and Silvie in Year 6.

Sapphire (375 points)

Platinum (450 points)

Gemstone (525 points)

Rainbow (600 points)

STAR READER

Reading 50 times at home:

Florence in Year R, Ana in Year 1, Filip in Year 4, Siyana in Year 6

Reading 100 times at home: Luna R in Year R, Flavius in Year 2, Lucy in Year 4, Jenson in Year 5

Reading 150 times at home: Willow in Year R, Jaimie in Year 5

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: Dani in Year 1 for an amazing lifelike picture of a robin including mixing colours of the feathers.

[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:

Sophie in Year 3 for determination & resilience to progress in her maths!

Our adult Star of the Week is: Mrs Sommers-Burrows for settling into Year 1 fantastically!

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

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

PE DAYS

Monday - **Year 5 (group A Swimming KIT, group B PE KIT) & Year 1**

Tuesday - **Year 3**

Wednesday - **Reception Class & Year 4**

Thursday - **Year 2**

Friday - **Year 5 & 6**

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES

2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

TERM 1

Monday 2 September 2024 to Friday 25 October 2024

Term 2

Monday 4 November 2024 to Friday 20 December 2024

Term 3

Monday 6 January 2025 to Friday 14 February 2025

Term 4

Monday 24 February 2025 to Friday 4 April 2025

Term 5

Tuesday 22 April 2025 to Friday 23 May 2025

Term 6

Monday 2 June 2025 to Tuesday 22 July 2025

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON:

Friday 18 April 2025 – Good Friday

Monday 21 April 2025 – Easter Monday

Monday 5 May 2025 - May Bank Holiday

INSERVICE DAYS – THE SCHOOL WILL ALSO BE CLOSED TO CHILDREN ON:

2nd and 3rd September 2024

25 October 2024

6th January 2025

28th February 2025

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