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Dear Parent/Carer

The Art Exhibition at the bath and West was a great success and much admired by those who visited it. Thank you to Mrs Barding and Mrs Hazzard for their work on this.



Coats and jumpers

The weather is very unpredictable at the moment, please can children have coats and jumpers in school daily, coats can be left here on their pegs if it helps. We have had a number of damp lunchtimes or days when the wind gets up.

Sports Day – Wednesday 12th June at 10am

Sports day is planned to start at 10am on Wednesday. Parents are welcome to come and watch but are asked to bring their own seats or sit on the ground as we do not have enough seating in school. Parents will watch from the playrun area and the children will sit in classes on the other side. There are a number of races planned,

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sprinting, egg and spoon, sack race, three legged, wheelbarrow as well as some relays. Children will take part in a number of races but not all of them. The aim is to be finished by 11.30/11.45.

Splash Session

These are taking place on Tuesdays and Fridays 3.30 – 4.30. Just a reminder that parents must stay with their children and are responsible for their safety and behaviour. Please sign up on the gate on the day but the £2 needs to be paid at the pool in the evening. At the end of the session, you need to leave through the school as the gates are locked by this time. Please ensure that you are dressed and ready to leave by 4.45 at the latest, if you need more than 15 minutes to change then please get your child out early.

PTFA UPDATES

We want your second-hand uniform

If you have any good condition school uniform that you would like to donate, please bring it to the school gate on the mornings of Thursday 20th and Friday 21st June.

Teddies Wanted!

If you have preloved teddies and soft toys looking for a new home, we can help! Please save them up and bring your donations to school on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th June. All shapes, sizes and characters welcome! We hope to use your donations for a game at this years Summer Fete.

PTFA DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Uniform Donation Days - Thursday 20th and Friday 21st June

Soft Toy Donation Days - Thursday 27th and Friday 28th June

Playground Treats - Friday 28th June

Second-Hand Uniform Sale - Wednesday 3rd July

Parent Information Sessions

Wise Up workshops – Somerset Parent Carer Forum

<https://somerseparentcarerforum.org.uk/home/wise-up-workshops/>

Coming up:

Autism & Disordered eating- Parish Hall, Cheddar – 5th June

Understanding sensory differences - The David Hall, South Petherton – 13th June
or

The Thatched Cottage, Shepton Mallet – 17th June

or Somerset Parent Carer Forum Office, Yeovil – 18th June

To book use this link <https://somerseparentcarerforum.org.uk/home/wise-up-workshops/> or any issues call 01458 259384 or 07359 611454

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Would you like to understand more about children & young people and self-injury? Joining our free 90-minute self-harm awareness training, for parents, carers and family members in somerset will help you to –

- Understand self harm and who it can affect
- Identify reasons that can lead a young person to self-harm
- Recognise the stigma surrounding self-harm and the impact this can have
- Understand the wider impact self-harm has on friends and family, with a focus on parents/carers
- Raise confidence in responding to/supporting young people who self-harm
- Establish how to maintain your own self-care and wellbeing
- Identify a range of local and national resources/services/information to support young people who self-harm
- Understand the importance of recovery
- Q & A

The training dates below offer mixed training for people who want to understand about self-injury, including for children and young people or adults

Monday 1st July PM

3.30pm – 5pm

[FREE Somerset - Self Harm Awareness Training Tickets, Mon 1 Jul 2024 at 15:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Friday 16th August AM

9.30am – 11am

[FREE Somerset - Self Harm Awareness Training Tickets, Fri 16 Aug 2024 at 09:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Attendance – Unauthorised Term-Time Leave

Please be aware that when a parent or carer chooses to take their child out of school for a period of leave, which has not been authorised by the Head Teacher it may result in a Penalty Notice being issued. Term-time leave of absence is not an automatic right and will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. You can find the school's attendance policy and letter of intention to take term-time leave request form on the school website.

Is my child too ill for school?

It is usually appropriate for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild respiratory illnesses. This would include general cold symptoms: a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat. However, children should not be sent to school if they have a temperature of 38°C or above. Further guidance can be found here - [NHS 'Is my child too ill for school?' guidance](#)

Nut free school (inc. Toy Box)

We have multiple children in school at present with a nut allergy. Please do not give your child food/snacks to bring into school containing any type of nut or nut product, e.g. Nutella and Peanut Butter. Thank you for your support.

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Dates for the diary

School Council Bake Sale
Sports Day
Transition Day
Information Evening for new parents and those moving classes
Summer Fair (New Date)
Harrier Show
Leavers' Service

Friday 07th June
Wednesday 12th June
Wednesday 3rd July
Wednesday 3rd July

Saturday 13th July
Wednesday 17th July
Wednesday 24th July

Safeguarding (Protecting children from harm/keeping them safe)

In school we have a duty to ensure that all children are safe and protect from harm or abuse. If we have concerns about a child's wellbeing it is our duty to look into this, talk to the family, and if need be, report it to Somerset Direct.

If you have any concerns about your child, or another, please come and speak to me. Safeguarding is everyone's business and cannot be ignored. Somerset Direct (0300 123 2224) or the NSPCC are useful points of contact, should you wish to share or discuss any Safeguarding concerns you have. Here are some useful websites recommended by our DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead – Lizzie Reynolds).

[NSPCC](#) [SOMERSETDIRECT](#)

Best wishes
Mrs Lizzie Reynolds

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