



St Andrew's Church of England Junior School



St Andrew's Signpost

Issue 5

Week Commencing 7th October 2024

Notes for the week: 7th October 2024

Monday

Swimming Year 6 (from 16th
Sep)

PE Dandelion Class 3P

PE Wren Class 3N

PE Magpie Class 4M

PE Acorn Class 3GD

Tuesday

PE Bramble Class 5L

PE Willow Class 5D

PE Kingfisher Class 4B

PE Weasels Class 4S

Wednesday

PE Kingfisher Class 4B

PE Magpie Class 4M

PE Raven Class 5K

PE Heron Class 6 GK

PE Otter Class 6H

Thursday

PE Wren Class 3N

PE Willow Class 5D

PE Bramble Class 5L

PE Raven Class 5K

Friday

PE Weasel Class 4S

PE Dandelion Class 3P

PE Acorn Class 3GD

PE Newt Class 6G

Headteacher Information

This week, we have been reflecting deeply on compassion as part of our Collective Worship, culminating in our Harvest Festival service today. A heartfelt thank you to everyone for your generous donations; in the current climate, these items will undoubtedly be greatly appreciated by those in need. It was wonderful to see the community come together to support such a worthy cause.




PE









Congratulations to our Year 6 footballers who took part in the ESFA Football Qualifiers for large schools yesterday at Bridgwater College. Mr Bunning was very impressed at how you all worked as a team and played some great football. Well done for representing the school.

There is a Year 5/6 girls football tournament in a couple of weeks at Bridgwater College (17th October), if your daughter would like a letter please could you email Miss Sylvester weasel@standrewsjuniors.co.uk and she will distribute them on Monday to those who have shown interest.

The first cross country takes place at Brymore on Wednesday 23rd October (Years 3 and 5) and Thursday 24th October (Years 4 and 6) this is during our first week of Half term, if anybody

	<p>would like to take part please could you let Miss Sylvester know and she will be happy to accompany and support any children who would like to take part in this event.</p>
<p>SASA and Fundraising</p>	<p>On Thursday night we had our SASA Annual General Meeting. So far, the following roles have been filled:</p> <p>Chair: Katie Haines Treasurer x 2: Nicola Broom and Alison Mead Secretary: Wayne Higgins Communications x 2 (in school and out of school): Jane Ellis, Paul Shepherd</p> <p>If you would like to get involved please contact the school office. Minutes from the meeting have been posted on the school website where you can also find out more about SASA.</p>
<p>Chewing Gum</p>	<p>We've had a couple of incidents this week with children bringing chewing gum into school and chewing it on the playground. Please ensure your children do not bring chewing gum or sweets to school. It poses a potential choking hazard, especially when children are running around during playtime. Let's work together to keep everyone safe. Thank you for your support!</p>
<p>Year 6 camp</p>	<p>Before Half Term, the Year 6 team will be holding an information meeting regarding the Year 6 Camp, which is scheduled to take place from 14th to 16th July at Kilve Court. This meeting will provide initial details about the camp and give us an opportunity to gauge interest from parents.</p> <p>Further details, including the exact date and time of the meeting, will be sent out next week.</p>
<p>M&M Theatre Company</p>	<p>We had an exciting start to the week on Monday when the M&M Theatre Company visited and performed 'The Secret Garden' for the whole school. It was wonderful to see the children so engaged and excited by the live performance! A big thank you to SASA—without the fantastic fundraising efforts they organised last year, this special event would not have been possible.</p> 
<p>No Outsiders</p>	<p>This week, we were fortunate to welcome Andrew Moffatt MBE, who spoke to the children about inclusivity as part of the 'No Outsiders' programme. He was incredibly complimentary of our children, particularly their empathy and kindness, which made me feel very proud. It was a wonderful experience for everyone, and we are excited to continue fostering these important values in our school community.</p>
<p>Get into Teaching – The Priory Learning Trust</p>	<p>The Priory Learning Trust Are you interested in training to teach in the Weston super Mare and Burnham-on-Sea area? We offer school-based teacher training in primary, and all secondary subjects in our great local schools. Please get in touch for further information: gregg.morrison@theplt.org.uk</p>

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<p>Somerset SAINT Facebook page</p>	<p>Please find attached the QR code that will link to the Somerset School Aged Immunisation Team Facebook page, we update this regularly with information regarding our vaccinations and clinics.</p>	
<p>Parent/Carer Survey on Wraparound & Holiday Provision in Somerset</p>	<p>Parent/Carer Survey on Wraparound & Holiday Provision in Somerset</p> <p>Calling all parents and carers of primary school aged children in Somerset!</p> <p>Did you know that the local authority has a duty to make sure there are enough childcare places in your area? We would like to hear your experiences and needs for wraparound and holiday childcare, ranging from those who use it daily, to those who do not use it at all.</p> <p>Please complete the short survey by midday on 1st November: Click here to complete the survey</p> <p>If you have any queries please contact educationplaces@somerset.gov.uk</p>	
<p>School Photos – Tempest Tuesday 8th October</p>	<p>Individual and sibling photos. Please can all children wear school uniform.</p>	
<p>Non-uniform day for Macmillan - 17th October</p>	<p>**Reminder**</p> <p>I met with the house captains for Macmillan house this week to discuss setting a date for their non-uniform day as a reward for winning the house cup last term. We have agreed on Thursday 17th October. This will be a non-uniform day for only the children in Macmillan (White) house.</p>	
<p>Macmillan Cake sale</p>	<p>**Reminder**</p> <p>On Thursday 17th October we will be holding a cake sale after school to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. If you would like to provide a cake or make a donation these can be brought in on the day of the sale. Any cakes that are leftover will be sold during the remainder of the week.</p>	
<p>Parents evening</p>	<p>**Reminder**</p> <p>A date for your Diary; On Wednesday 13th November and Thursday 14th November we will be holding our Autumn Parents’ Evening. Information on how to book will come out later this term.</p>	

Rewarding Reading	<p>Reading Millionaire</p> <p>Congratulations to Anastasia Barbu for becoming our first Reading Half a Millionaire.</p>																																																																																																														
Weekly Value Award	<p>This award is given by the Senior Leadership Team and the office staff for a child who has demonstrated one or more of the school values during the week.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This week's winner is: Eliza French</p> 																																																																																																														
Celebration and Praise	<p>We held our Celebration and Praise Assembly this week to award children who have worked hard this week.</p> <p>Well done to the winners:</p> <p>Acorn Class – Mathilda Cameron Wren Class – Maxine Sherman Dandelion Class – Karima Zaharie Magpie Class – Ben Hayward Kingfisher Class – Grace Tennent Weasel Class – Eliza French Willow Class – Amelia Humphries Bramble Class – Ava Gardner Raven Class – Nancy Hallett Heron Class – Georgia Stuart Otter Class – Isabelle Gingell Newt Class – Demi-Lee Rovira</p>																																																																																																														
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4	Benjamin	Doogie Sullivan	4M Magpie	1106
5	Jaxon	Alejandro Cave	4M Magpie	1041
6	Eliza	Sean Daly	4S Weasel	927
7	Charlie	Mason Tyner	4M Magpie	907
8	Esme	Livia Brooke	4B Kingfisher	890
9	Sophie	Amelia Baird	4S Weasel	751
10	Sofia	Stacy Bazzell	4B Kingfisher	709

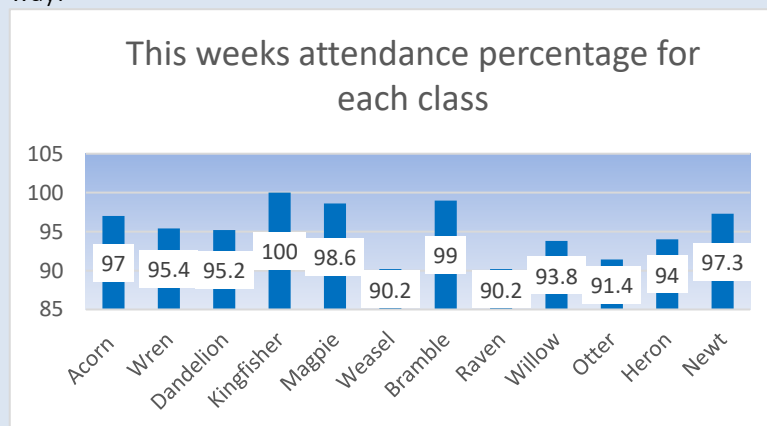
Year 3 Tournament

1	Theo	Pete Smile	3P Dandelion	1326
2	Ollie	Marc Falco	3P Dandelion	1323
3	Mia	Taylor Fox	3N Wren	1307
4	Sydney	Ava Ness	3DG Acorn	931
5	Elijah	Todd Lightrock	3P Dandelion	702
6	Ava	Mindy DiFulvio	3N Wren	679
7	Hugo	Win Hart	3P Dandelion	648
8	Theo	Benjamin Pierre	3N Wren	616
9	Sienna	Toots Lightspeed	3N Wren	614
10	Matilda	Otis Starfoot	3N Wren	595

Promoting Attendance at St. Andrew's School

Current Attendance Overview:

To keep you informed, we have included a chart below, displaying our overall attendance percentage and a breakdown by class. This transparency allows us to collectively work towards our attendance target and celebrate our successes along the way.



Lateness

Lateness is starting to come down a bit this week, let's see if we can bring it down again next week especially if you are in Macmillan house.

House	Nos of Lates	
	W/C 30/09/22	W/C 23/09/22
Blackwell	6	11
Foley	2	4
Macmillan	12	9
Reed	4	6
Total	24	30

Please remember that being late can lead to your child:

- Feeling embarrassed in front of their friends

- Missing the beginning of vital lessons making them fall behind
- Missing important instructions for the rest of the school day
- Learning bad habits which could affect their employability in the future

The impact of being just a little late can accumulate to a loss in learning time:

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days worth of teaching lost in a year
5 mins	3.4 days
10 mins	6.9 days
15 mins	10.3 days
20 mins	13.8 days
30 mins	20.7 days

Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Wayne Higgins and our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL) are Tamsin Thomson, Chrissie Collett. Our safeguarding governor is Sarah Taylor

Here are some useful websites recommended by our DSL;

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/>

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

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

If you have concerns about your child at home or school, see the office to book an appointment. Alternatively, if you are worried about a child or young person who could be in danger please contact Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224, by email at childrens@somerset.gov.uk or the police. You can contact the police directly by dialling 101 and they will discuss with Children's Social Care what action should be taken. In an emergency always contact the police by dialling 999. If you would like to speak to a social worker outside of office hours please phone the Emergency Duty Team (EDT) on 0300 123 23 27.

Change of Numbers and email addresses

****Important****

If you have changed your telephone number or email address can you please let the school office know so that we can update our records. We need to have at least 3 contact numbers for your children in the event that we are unable to reach the main contacts.

Online safety

BeReal is the latest trending social media app. The concept is that people see others in their authentic day-to-day lives, sharing candid photos without editing or applying filters. Each day at a random time, users are simultaneously notified to take a photo of what they're doing at that exact moment. The two-minute window to submit an image means there's no time to select a particularly glamorous or exciting activity. BeReal shares two pictures: a selfie, and an image of the immediate surroundings. Users can only view and react to their friends' photos once they upload their own.

Click on the link below to access a guide where you'll find tips on a number of potential risks.

[what-parents-need-to-know-about-bereal-parents-guide.pdf](#)

SEND Newsletter

This week's SEND weekly newsletter is now available – please click on the link below or the following [SEND News](#) to read the latest stories.

The Newsletter shares some information about Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) 0-25.

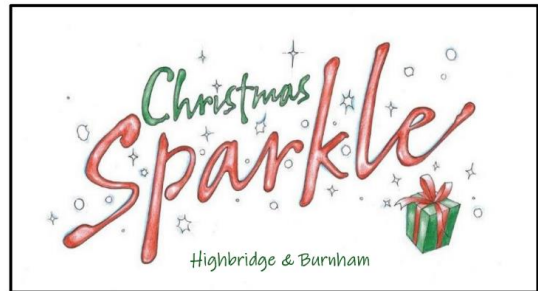
You can access previous copies of the newsletter here.

[SEND Newsletter Archive](#)

Please click on the link below to find out more about Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) in Somerset.
[Special Educational Needs and Disabilities \(SEND\)](#)

For your Information

DONATION POINTS FOR



Monday 7th October - Friday 22nd November

Highbridge:

The King Alfred School

Churchfield School

St John's Church

Highbridge Caravans

Sopha

Burnham:

Burnham Infant School

St Joseph's School

St Andrew's School

Burnham Library

Burnham Swim and Sports Academy

Mammoth Comfort Centre
(9-11 High St)

Scotts Furnishings

Schools may have their own targeted donation events but are happy to accept public donations anytime within this period

Thank you to them all for their support!

Online donations to help with purchase of wrapping paper, shortage gift items etc. may be made via our 'Give a little' campaign page:

<https://givealittle.co/c/christmassparkle>



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OCTOBER H/T HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMPS 2024



Avenue TC - Burnham on Sea

Monday 28th - Tuesday 29th October (2 Days)

9.30 - 12.30pm (4 - 9 years)

1.30 - 4.30pm (10 - 16 Years)

Bridgwater TC

Thursday 31st October (1 Day)

1.30 - 4.30pm (4 - 12 years)

Lympsham TC

Thursday 31st October - Friday 1st November (2 Days)

9.30 - 12.30pm (4 - 12 years)

Online booking and payment available at

www.tennis-extreme.com

(Book Full Camp or individual Days)

For further details about the Camps please contact Tim Seymour
on 07887 723554 or e-mail tennisextremeuk@gmail.com



October Half Term Inspired Camps



28TH OCTOBER- 1ST NOVEMBER

- **BASC,**
- **Stoddens Road**
- **9am - 3pm**
- **Multi-sports**



- 🏆 Medals for all
- 🏆 Presentation ceremony on the final day



£20 Per day

10% Whole week discount

15% Sibling discount

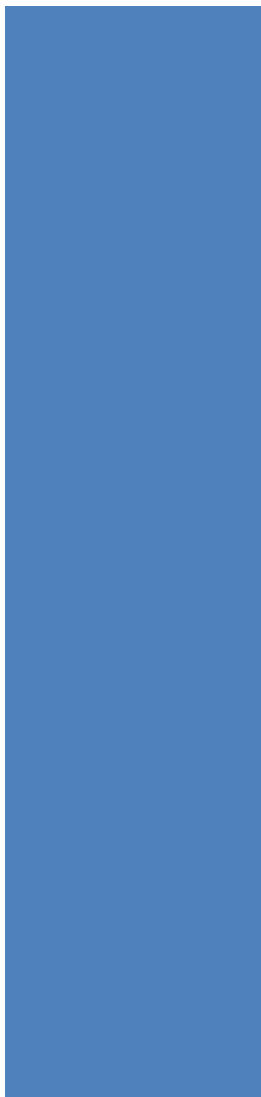


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Term Dates for 2024-25

Please see below our term dates for 2024-25 including our school INSET days.



September 2024					October 2024					November 2024						
M	2	9	16	23	30	M	7	14	21	28	M	4	11	18	25	
Tu	3	10	17	24	Tu	1	8	15	22	29	Tu	5	12	19	26	
W	4	11	18	25	W	2	9	16	23	30	W	6	13	20	27	
Th	5	12	19	26	Th	3	10	17	24	31	Th	7	14	21	28	
F	6	13	20	27	F	4	11	18	25	F	1	8	15	22	29	
Sa	7	14	21	28	Sa	5	12	19	26	Sa	2	9	16	23	30	
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December 2024					January 2025					February 2025						
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Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Staff Training Day
	Term Time

Term Date Summary

Term 1: 2 September 2024 – 18 October 2024
Term 2: 4 November 2024 – 20 December 2024
Term 3: 6 January 2025 – 14 February 2025
Term 4: 24 February 2025 – 4 April 2025
Term 5: 22 April 2025 – 23 May 2025
Term 6: 2 June 2025 – 22 July 2025

Bank Holidays and public Holiday 2024-2025

Christmas Day Bank Holiday	25 December 2024	Easter Monday	21 April 2025
Boxing Day Bank Holiday	26 December 2024	May Day Bank Holiday	5 May 2025
New Year's Day Holiday	1 January 2025	Spring Bank Holiday	26 May 2025
Good Friday	18 April 2025	Summer Bank Holiday	25 August 2025

Key Dates: Autumn Term

Date	Activity	Details
Monday 2nd September	Staff Training	School closed for staff training
Tuesday 3rd September	Staff Training	School closed for staff training
Wednesday 4th September	First day of Autumn Term	Welcome Back
Monday 9th September	'Meet the Teacher' week.	Parents and carers have the opportunity to visit their child(ren)'s new teachers and classrooms and to find out what the children are learning about and what life is like in their new classroom.
Monday 9th September 3.15 -3.45pm	Year 3 Meet the Teacher	
Tuesday 10th September 3.15 -3.45pm	Year 4 Meet the Teacher	

Wednesday 11th September 3.15 -3.45pm	Year 5 Meet the Teacher	
Thursday 12th September 3.15 -3.45pm	Year 6 Meet the Teacher	
Friday 20th September	Dahlicious Dress Up Day	This year's Dahlicious Dress Up Day takes place on 13th September. Our school will be celebrating it on 20 th September. Schools and workplaces across the UK will be brimming with Oompa-Loompas, Twits and Matildas in aid of Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity.
Monday 30th September	Harvest Festival	A celebration of the food grown on the land - we celebrate this day by singing, praying and collecting fruit and food in a festival known as 'Harvest Festival',
Tuesday 8th October	Individual School Photos – Tempest	All children and siblings in school have individual school photos by Tempest.

Date	Activity	Details
End of Autumn term 1 Thursday 17th October	Last day of Autumn term 1	
Friday 18th October	Staff Training	School closed for staff training
Monday 21st October -Friday 1st November	Half term	Enjoy your break!
Autumn Term 2 Starts Monday 4th November	First day of Autumn term 2 School Starts	Start 2nd Half of Autumn Term
Wednesday 13th November 3.15—6.30pm	Parents' Evening	Our parents' evenings are held in your child's classroom. The children's work is available for you to look at prior to your appointment. Lists of appointments will be available for you to sign up to during w/c 31st October. Appointments are for ten minutes and we would encourage you to not bring your child to the appointment.
Thursday 14th November 3.15—6.30pm		
Friday 15th November	Children in Need	Letter and details provided

		nearer the time
Friday 29th November	St Andrews Day	On this day we recognise the Patron Saint of our school
Thursday 12th December	Whole School Christmas Lunch - TBC	All children have the opportunity to celebrate Christmas with a Christmas dinner with all the trimmings.
Thursday 12th December	Christmas Jumper Day	Children take part in Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children. A suggested £1 donation and the chance to feel festive wearing your Christmas jumper to school.
Friday 20th December	School Carol Service	We will be having our carol service in St Andrews's Church. Everyone is welcome. Also, we will be awarding the Headteacher's Commendations.
Friday 20th December	End of Autumn Term 2	School Breaks up for Christmas Holiday