



## NEWSLETTER NO. 12 May 2024

Firstly, congratulations to all our super Year 6's who have shown amazing positivity and resilience during their first two days of SATs. I am always blown away by their can-do attitude and enthusiasm to show themselves at their best. We wish them all the very best as they take on the maths papers over the next two days.

The end of the week will see our fantastic football team heading off to Derby, for the national schools' football finals. This is an incredibly exciting opportunity for the children and we are indebted to the generous sponsors who have made this trip possible. Please see below for information on how all of the team will be looking that part in their new tracksuits, kindly sponsored by Piers at the Football Fun Factory. We will be sharing more about who kindly helped the team get to Derby in next week's newsletter. We wish the whole team, Mrs Churchill, Mr Davis and all the family and friends who will be travelling with them, a safe trip and a fantastic day!

We are so proud of Sally Furniss, our wonderful Chair of Governors, who was invited to the King's Garden Party in recognition of her service to the community and to our school. Sally has been part of supporting and leading our school for over 25 years and has shown incredible commitment to helping all of the pupils have the best possible education and primary experience the school can offer. We are delighted that she has been recognised for all her voluntary support. This is not the first time one of our school community has been recognised for their kindness and generosity. Last year, Mr and Mrs Beadle were also invited to the garden party. We are very proud of them all.

*With kind hearts and determined minds, we inspire each other to be the best we can be.*

### **CENSUS DAY – PLEASE ORDER YOUR CHILD A SCHOOL LUNCH**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> of May is census day for schools. Twice a year, Pupil Census Days take place in all primary schools and a variety of data is collected. One such piece of data is the Universal Free School meals uptake, which is used to calculate part of the funding that the school will receive the following year.

In simple terms, the more pupils who order a meal on Census Day, the more money the school will receive. We would therefore really appreciate your support in maximising our opportunity for funding by ordering a meal for your child, tomorrow (Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May) as this can make a massive difference to the income of the school. With school budgets experiencing significant pressure (we saw this last year when we had to lose a number of our team) we need to look to maximise every penny we can get.

*Don't forget!*

- 17<sup>th</sup> May – Football team are off to Derby County Stadium for the national finals
- 17<sup>th</sup> May – Banwell Football Club in with Year 6
- 17<sup>th</sup> May - Power of Music Project – Year 4
- 18<sup>th</sup> May – PTA Bingo – see posters
- 21<sup>st</sup> May – Cyber safe event – parents welcome. See information below
- 24<sup>th</sup> May – Dress Down Day in return for donations towards Fathers' Day gifts
- 24<sup>th</sup> May – Girls' football match at Sidcot School



If you would like to support our goal, but are not sure your child will enjoy any of the menu options, please see your child's class teachers so we can find a solution. *Thank you in advance for your support.*



TAKE A TRIP ON THE  
**DESSERT TROLLEY**

**Thursday 16th May**

Savoury Minced Pork &  
Apple Pie with New  
Potatoes, Honey Glazed  
Carrots & Gravy

Cream Cheese &  
Mediterranean Vegetable  
Pancakes with New  
Potatoes

A choice from the  
Dessert Trolley



TAKE A TRIP ON THE  
**DESSERT TROLLEY**

**Thursday 16th May**

Join us for lunch. After  
Mains we'll be stopping  
at:

Cookie Corner,  
Fruity Pudding Lane,  
Brownie Boulevard,  
Yoghurt Junction,  
Fruity Way and  
Jelly Hill



The Aspens activity sheet for May is attached to the email and is all about chillies. Feed your family for £5 is attached. These can also be found on the school website.

### **WISHING OUR FOOTBALL TEAM THE VERY BEST OF LUCK**

Churchill's sporting achievements have been noticed out in the community and with the help of Football Fun Factory we have been able to purchase a complete set of tracksuits for the school. This new kit will debut at the Football National Finals at Derby County next week.



These tracksuits will be worn by the squads going out of school to participate in events - for both boys and girls. Piers, who purchased the tracksuits for us, commented, 'I decided to sponsor Churchill School as I used to coach there. I know all the children that have done so well to get to the finals. I wanted to help support the team, future teams and staff to get their tracksuits and have the best in what could be a once in a lifetime day.' Mr Davis commented, 'We also hope that these tracksuits will help encourage other children to want to take part in sporting teams when the opportunity arises for both boys and girls. Churchill have so many talented children that we are doing

everything possible to showcase them and give them the best opportunities.' We would like to extend our thanks to Piers for his generosity and we wish the boys the best of luck for the event.

## **CHILDREN'S USE OF MOBILE PHONES, DEVICES AND SMART WATCHES POLICY**



Keeping our children safe and protecting them from potential harm is our key priority. This includes ensuring that children can enjoy their time in school, free from any pressures from social media or online messaging and content. In line with National Guidance, we strongly discourage children from bringing mobile phones and smart watches to school. If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you would like your child to have access to a phone / watch for travelling to or from school, please read the attached policy and complete appendix 1.

For clarity:

- Children in classes from Reception – Year 4 are not permitted to bring a mobile phone or Smart Watch to school.
- Mobile phones or Smart Watches, where brought into school, will be the sole responsibility of the child concerned and the school will accept no responsibility for any subsequent damage or loss.
- Mobile phones must be switched off and handed to the class teacher on entry into school and will not be allowed to be used during the school day.
- Smart Watches with camera facilities and independent access to the internet must also be switched off and handed to the teacher and will not be allowed to be used during the school day.

We appreciate your support in ensuring we can continue to offer pupils a mobile free experience in school.

## **CYBER SAFE**

On Tuesday 21st May, we are going to be joined by Megan Haldane, Cyber Protect Officer, from the Serious and Organised Crime Investigations Team. She will be providing the pupils in Years 5 and 6 with a practical workshop, with lots of advice and guidance about staying safe online.

Megan is also offering parents and carers a free workshop, to provide essential information on how you can keep your child safe when using internet enabled technology. Parents and carers, who attended last year, found this informal session to be extremely helpful. Whether your child is just starting their journey of using technology or you are navigating the challenges of online gaming / mobile phones, this session will be really useful. **This parent/carer session will run from 2:30 - 3:10 on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May.**

So that we can organise seating we would be grateful if you could let us know if you would like to attend.

## **KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE, AVOID PARKING ON THE ZIG ZAG LINES**



As you may be aware we have zigzag lines outside the school entrance in order to keep children safe when walking to school. Over the last few months, we have

noted that this safety measure is being ignored by some families. We absolutely appreciate the pressures of finding a suitable place to park but must emphasise that the **zigzag area must be kept clear at all times**. Our staggered start and finish times have helped alleviate 'pinch point times'. We had a visit today by the police who will be coming back over the next few weeks to ensure the area outside school is kept safe.

## **YEAR 5 CHURCH DAY**

Last week, Year 5 visited St John's church for the day. They took part in a number of activities, which included baking, stain glass window making, sewing, bell ringing and a tour of the church to learn about its rich history. Fun was had by all and Class 5 would like to thank the fantastic efforts and dedication of the church community volunteers, who put on this excellent day for us. Photographs to be included in the next newsletter.



## **CERTIFICATES**

Well done to all those children who received class certificates in the last few services:

**Year R:** Elsie / Henry / Eden & James

**Year 1:** Logan / William / Sophia

**Year 2:** Noah / Milo / Bella

**Year 3:** Bethany / Esther / Esme

**Year 4:** Lucas / Nathan / Jack

**Year 5:** Bella / Bradley / Whole class

**Year 6:** Oliver & Arthur / Whole class / Sophie, Hamilton & Pedro

**Super Spellers:** Olivia Z, Zac A, JJ, Jack H, Isabell S, Storm, Ruben / Seb, William W, Logan, Amelia, Harry / Ruby, Jack Y, Raff, Ted, Bill, Louis, Neve

**Super Readers:** Jack Y, Regan, Fletcher T, Shannon, Sophie, Olivia / Skylaa, Freya, Finley, Isabella, Rose, Mia / Jacob, Jessica, Marcello, Ruby, Emily, Zofia, Trixie, Mariah, Tilly

**Numbots:** William, Josh, Lara / Joshua, William S, Issy / Olivia, Megan, Joshua

**Nessy:** Bethany / Anna W

**Kitchen Award:** Imogen, Noah, Henry /

**House points:** **Dolebury 336 / 263 / 1560** **Lyncombe 336 / 201 / 822** **Mendip 294 / 221 / 840**  
**Windmill 343 / 365 / 841**



### **PLEASE DO NOT USE THE LARGE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL**

I appreciate that the large playground equipment (trim trail and climbing frames) is very appealing, but we ask that you do not allow your children or pre-school children to use the equipment, before or after school. This is down to insurance regulations. We endeavour to maximise the children's access to the equipment during the school day. We really appreciate your support in this matter.

### **NO MOBILE PHONES IN SCHOOL**

A polite reminder to everyone that Churchill Primary School is a mobile free zone. This applies both in school and also the playground. If you need to use your mobile phone whilst you are in school, please come to the school office. We appreciate your support in this matter.



### **WATER ONLY IN DRINKS BOTTLES**

As part of our 'healthy schools' initiative, we ask that pupils only bring water in their water bottles. Squash, flavourings or fizzy drinks are not permitted.

# PTA NEWS



CHURCHILL  
PRIMARY  
PTA

**BINGO**

Open 4:30  
eyes down  
5:30

SATURDAY  
**18**  
MAY

A vertical poster for a bingo event. The background is blue with white circles and a white speech bubble. The text is centered within the speech bubble.



CHURCHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

# SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 13th July  
in the school grounds

Join us  
11am-  
2pm

Raffles  
Games  
Food

A vertical poster for a summer fair. The background is light blue with a hot air balloon, a striped tent, and clouds. The text is in various colors and fonts.



Churchill Primary PTA

# Summer Ball

Tickets  
£45 a head

Saturday 13th July  
Aldwick Estate.

A vertical poster for a summer ball. The background is pink with a large yellow sun and various tropical leaves. The text is in white and yellow.

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

We receive a lot of posters for local events which we upload to the school website. Included is auditions for Winscombe Youth Theatre's auditions, Planet Pretend, Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, Churchill events to name but a few.

- Lifeskills
- Wells Cathedral – holiday activities
- Create Sunday
- Churchill & Baby Toddler Group
- We're In! providing spaces with respect, dignity and warmth.
- School Health Nursing Team – various webinars available for parents and carers covering dental health, sleep and emotional wellbeing. [School Health Nursing - CCHP | Community Children's Health Partnership](#)



### FREE NHS app HELPS PARENTS CARE FOR THEIR POORLY CHILD

As winter sets in and common childhood illnesses become more frequent, parents are being encouraged to use a free NHS app to help them decide how best to care for their child.

The HANDi app, which has been developed by a team of specialist children's doctors, is quick and easy to use and gives parents and carers expert advice on a range of 4 childhood illnesses. These include diarrhoea and vomiting, high temperature, tummy pain, chestiness, head injuries and common problems experienced by newborn babies.

The app takes parents through a series of questions about their child's symptoms and then advises on the best course of action, whether that's to treat at home, to make a GP appointment, call NHS 111 or call 999. The HANDi App is available to download for Apple phones from the app store or iTunes and for Android phones at Google Play. Alternatively, please use the following QR code:



### SIRONA CARE & HEALTH

The scan code below will take you Sirona Care & Health and lists services for parents with children at different ages. Universal services include services and information available to everyone and specialist services show which provide further support for children and young people.

### BUS INFRASTRUCTURE IN CHURCHILL

Engagement on the proposed upgrades to the bus infrastructure at the junction on the A38/A368 near Churchill, part of the Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP), has now launched. Here is the [link to the news release](#) with details of the scheme and how to participate in the public engagement survey.

# YATTON LIBRARY NEWS

MAY 2024

## Welcome to May

We hope you had a great Easter and weren't washed out by all the rain. This May we have Star Wars Day, Laughter Day, Walk to School week, Numeracy Day, Elmer Day and even a Biscuit Day. Come and see which ones we will have a display for.



## Storytime & Rhymetime

If you have preschool children why not bring them along? Themes in May include Elmer & Pyjamarama!  
Rhymetimes - Mondays  
9.30-10.00am  
10:15 - 10:45am  
Storytimes - Thursdays  
2:30-3:00pm



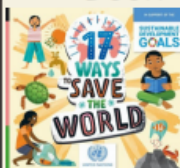
## Clubs



Lego - Saturdays 10-12noon  
Drawing - Tue 3.15-4.30pm

We would love to have more drawings to add to our display board upstairs, come in after school on a Tuesday and practice your drawing skills.

## Book of the Month



**17 Ways to Save the World**

In this book, you will learn ways in which you can help solve the world's biggest issues.

## Joke Corner

Q: What do you call Chewbacca when he has chocolate in his hair? A: Chocolate Chip Wookie

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Churchill Methodist Church  
**positiveparenting**



Because family life matters

# TIME OUT FOR PARENTS

Early Years Workshops

6 sessions for anyone parenting a child under 5y



Fridays 12.45-14.45

7, 14, 21 & 28 June

5 & 12 July

@Churchill Methodist BS25 5NG (by Clock Tower)

INFO: Jacqueline  
01934 844134

churchillmethodistchurch.org.uk



- ♥ Friendly & informal
- ♥ Boost bonding & love languages
- ♥ Tips & tools to make life even better
- ♥ Strengthen family relationships
- ♥ Creche available for under 5s
- ♥ Experienced leaders with DBS
- ♥ FREE of charge, inc. handbook.

<https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/courses/courses-for-parents/parenting-courses-time-out/time-out-for-parents-the-early-years-parenting-course-young-children/>



# 2024 Holiday Camps

From around £16 /day [including trophy!]\*

## Somerset Soccer Schools

With Richard Bourton

Reception - Year 8

10am - 3pm

'Same great value as our 1998 courses!'



	<u>Kings of Wessex School, CHEDDAR</u>	<u>BS27 3AQ</u>	<u>2024</u>
2. WHITSUN	Weds 29 to Fri 31 May incl		3 DAYS for £50*
3. SUMMER	Mon 29 July to Fri 2 Aug incl		5 DAYS for £90

	<u>CHURCHILL Sports Ground [By A38 traffic lights]</u>	<u>BS40 5EL</u>	<u>2024</u>
4. SUMMER	Mon 12 to Fri 16 August 2024 incl		5 DAYS for £90

To celebrate 25 years of camps locally, Richard Bourton and Somerset Soccer Schools are offering more camps from around £16 /day\*, **including a trophy per camp booking!!!**

I am a well-qualified schoolteacher & coach, with over 35 years' experience and an excellent countywide reputation for bringing the best out of children of ALL abilities. I am classified by OFSTED as OUTSTANDING, a FA Licensed Coach & awarded by the Sports Council.

Our professionally organised courses reflect a high level of expertise.

- ***Skill Award trophy for each course booked***
- Extra awards for *"being the best & doing your best"*

For info & photos see [facebook.com/SomersetSoccerSchools](https://facebook.com/SomersetSoccerSchools) or [somersetsoccerschools.com](https://somersetsoccerschools.com)



# Community Fun Day

Join us for lots of fun on

## Saturday 20th July

10am to 3pm

Free Entry

Langford Campus, Langford, BS40 5DU



- 🐾 Street food vans and ice cream
- 🐾 A series of fun veterinary themed talks throughout the day
- 🐾 Interactive have-a-go clinical demos
- 🐾 Tours of the Langford Vet Practice
- 🐾 Childrens activities and games and much more!



Find out what goes on behind the doors of our Veterinary School and discover a range of activities and talks for the whole family to enjoy!

BRISTOL VETERINARY SCHOOL

75 Years



University of Bristol

Scan the QR code for more information and to book your free entry

