



## NEWSLETTER NO. 2

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

After a beautiful week last week, the weather has taken a distinct turn for the wetter. Please can you ensure your child brings a **named** coat **every day** as we will take any chance we can to let our children have an active lunchtime.

### A Big Plea

As you will be aware, funding in schools is a real challenge; we are constantly looking for ways to make more from less. One way we can maximise funding is to ensure we have as many pupils as possible receive a school lunch on census day as numbers directly impact on the money we receive from the Government. Lighthouse Schools Partnership calculated that we lost over £8000 of funding last year. To help us maximise numbers we will be providing

**'a free meal for every child in the school.'**

To help us and ensure your child gets their free meal, please see the posters on the next two pages which contain instructions on how to book your child's meal. **Please note meals cannot be booked via Aspens Select, in the normal way, for this date (3<sup>rd</sup> October).**

If you are concerned that your child may not like the food choice, please still book a meal (they may like to give it a go) but you are also welcome to send in a packed lunch.

If you have any difficulty booking the meal, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, we will help to get you sorted.

As this will be a mega cook for our kitchen team, we would be very grateful if you could book your child's meal as soon as possible and certainly by the **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October deadline**. Thank you for your support.

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

### **CERTIFICATES**

Well done to all those children who received class certificates in The last two weeks:

**Year 1:** Cruz / Isla

**Year 2:** Zachary / Neve

**Year 3:** Ivana / Sophie

**Year 4:** Megan / Austin

**Year 5:** Jessica / Lucas

**Year 6:** Louis / Ollie

**Super Spellers:** Hallie, Daisy, Cody, Edward, Amelia / Theo, William, Beau, Finley, Georg, Freya

**Super Readers:** Teddy, Giorgio, Riley, Alicea, Poppy, Ava, Riley, Seb / Jacob, Henry, Frankie, William, Laila

**Nessy:** Edward

**House points:** **Dolebury 168 / 217** **Lyncombe 279 / 316**

**Mendip 229 / 241** **Windmill 295 / 280**

Don't forget!

- 26<sup>th</sup> September – Experience Harvest at St Mary's Church (Years 1 and 2)
- 30<sup>th</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> October KS1 and KS2 Design and Technology days
- 1<sup>st</sup> October - Parent and volunteer induction session – see below for further details
- 1<sup>st</sup> October - Guitar Performance in school
- 8<sup>th</sup> October – Farmlink Harvest Service
- 8<sup>th</sup> October – Yr5/6 cross country – pupils will receive information via ParentPay if they are attending
- 11<sup>th</sup> October - Year 3 T@3 and class service
- 21<sup>st</sup> October - Year 5 go to Osmington Bay
- 24<sup>th</sup> October - Last day of term 1 and Dress Down Day – for a small donation
- 25<sup>th</sup> October – INSET Day
- 4<sup>th</sup> November – Term 2 starts





## We're holding on to the last of summer with a seaside-inspired lunchtime treat!

We are serving up a free lunch from a choice of British chip shop classics for all primary school children across Lighthouse Schools Partnership.

### Don't miss out!

Click the link below and order your child's meal before the sun sets!

(Please note: Select, the usual system, cannot be used for this special event.)

**ORDER NOW**

Deadline to reserve your child's free meal is 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024.



Picture a seaside scene and enjoy some tasty treats, without leaving school!

A massive thank you to our local suppliers for making this beachy celebration happen.

If the button doesn't work, please click here: <https://forms.gle/MU9BMAoo7wE1AKBA>





# SEASIDE FEAST for FREE!

*Classic British Bites  
your child won't want to miss!*

**3<sup>rd</sup> October**



**ORDER NOW!**

**IT'S SUPER EASY.**

LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP AND ASPENS –  
BRINGING YOU A VARIETY OF DELICIOUS MEALS WITH  
A SPLASH OF FUN FOR CHILDREN ACROSS OUR SCHOOLS.

## **PRELOVED SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE**

Next Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October we will be holding a pre-loved school uniform sale. This will be held in the playground (weather permitting) roughly outside Year 1.



## **YEAR 3 T@3 AND CLASS SERVICE**



We are excited to invite the parents and carers of Year 3 pupils to their class service and T@3 on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October. The service will start at 2:30pm in the school hall. Any donation of cakes from Year 3 families can be brought to the school office on the morning of Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October or at 2:30pm, ahead of the service.

For families new to us, T@3 may need a little explanation. At Churchill Primary School we have a tradition of having 7 (one per class) T@3 events across the year. Parents and carers of pupils in the class are invited at 2:30pm to their child's class service. This is a super opportunity for the children to showcase some of their learning. This is followed by a lovely community event, run by the parents and carers of that class, where all of the school community are invited to come and buy some cake and enjoy a cup of tea. These are predominantly social gatherings that raise much needed funds for the class and school.

**Future T@3 and class service dates:** Year 3 – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Year 5 – 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024  
Year 6 – 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024 Year 2 – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025 Year 4 – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025 Year 1 – 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025  
Reception class – 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025

We will endeavour to keep these dates but if any changes need to be made, we will let you know as soon as possible.

## **DATA COLLECTION SHEETS**

Please could any outstanding data collection sheets and medical forms be returned as a matter of urgency. These contain important information about how to contact you in an emergency. Please take a few minutes to check these carefully and please ensure that we have the correct contact details.

## **PLEASE NAME YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING**



We are getting lots of parents searching for lost fleeces and jumpers. With 30 identical jumpers in a class, it is hard to match them to their owners without name labels. Please help us; a lot of time is lost holding up jumpers and trying to find their owners.

## **SICKNESS**

Please be reminded that any child that has sickness and/or diarrhoea needs to be away from school for 48 hours, following the last episode.

## **VOLUNTEERING IN SCHOOL**

If you are interested in volunteering in school, whether that be supporting a school trip or hearing children read, we would like to invite you to our induction meeting. This will take place on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 2:45pm (in time for pick-up), where we will share how you can help and discuss essential safeguarding procedures. If you could let the school office know if you intend to come, we can ensure we have sufficient chairs and handouts.

For volunteers who attended last year's induction, we would love to see you again so that we can keep you up to date with all of the safeguarding processes in school.

## **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. Please ensure your child comes into school with a water bottle.

### PLEA FOR GOOD QUALITY USED CHILDREN'S MAGAZINES OR COMICS

If you have any good quality used children's magazines or comics that you have finished with, we would be very grateful for them in school. Please bring them to the school office or Year 2 classroom as Mrs Hardwick, our reading leader, is sorting all of our lunchtime book boxes.



### REMINDER OF TERM DATES

- **Term 1** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024  
*Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 INSET DAY*  
*Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024 INSET DAY*  
*Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024 INSET DAY*
- **Term 2** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024
- **Term 3** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025  
*Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 INSET DAY*  
*Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 INSET DAY*
- **Term 4** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025
- **Term 5** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025
- **Term 6** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June to Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025  
*Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 INSET DAY*

*Please note that the Lighthouse Schools Partnership (LSP) are holding 6 INSET days across our trust in 2024/25*

Please note that Year 6 SATs will be administered **in the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025**. We ask that families of Year 6 pupils make a note of this date and do best endeavours for full attendance this week.

*To create a nurturing community in which we ignite curious minds, encourage generous hearts and embrace a changing world so our children can live life in all its fullness.*

## 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.



## NORTH SOMERSET CENTRE FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS@ BACKWELL

DO YOU PLAY A STRING WOODWIND, BRASS OR PERCUSSION INSTRUMENT? COME AND JOIN OUR NSCYM ENSEMBLES! ALL WELCOME!

Supported using public funding by  
Department for Education  
ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

### WHAT WE DO!

We have lots of ensembles on offer at North Somerset Music Centre plus a tuck shop at break!  
NSCYM Beginners (just started learning)  
Join Junior Wind Band or Junior Strings on easy parts

NSCYM Juniors (up to approx grade 5):  
Members will play in 2 or more of the following ensembles: Junior Strings, Junior Wind Band, Intermediate Ensemble, Combined and Whole Centre Ensemble

NSCYM Seniors (from approx grade 5):  
Members will play in 2 of the following ensembles: String Orchestra, Wind Band/Swing Band, Full Orchestra

### DETAILS

#### WHEN?

SATURDAYS TERM TIME  
NSCYM Juniors: 9:30am - 12:10pm  
NSCYM Seniors: 9:30am - 12:30pm

#### WHERE?

Backwell School, Station Road, Backwell, BS48 3BX

#### COST per Double Term

Juniors - £75  
Seniors - £82  
Beginners (half morning) - £41  
Free for pupil premium students

To sign up go to:  
<https://www.wema.org.uk/register>



MUSIC@WEMA.ORG.UK  
WWW.WEMA.ORG.UK

# Community Fireworks

02.11.2024  
Churchill Recreation Ground  
Gates open: 5:15 pm  
Fireworks: 6:30 pm  
Tickets: [thevillagefund.org.uk](http://thevillagefund.org.uk)

**MENDIP**  
ACTIVITY CENTRE

IT'S THE SEASON FOR SPOOKY ADVENTURES!

Halloween adventures available throughout October:

- > Test target skills with the Zombie Outbreak Response Team
- > Swish down the haunted toboggan slope
- > Bring a party to ArcheryActive
- > Try a Nerf Battle in the brand-new Hangar 5!

Book online: [mendip.co.uk/halloween](http://mendip.co.uk/halloween)

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## JOIN WLHC JUNIOR HOCKEY

Winscombe Ladies Hockey Club is welcoming new players for the 2024/25 season

- Years 5 - 8 girls & Years 5 - 6 boys
- Mondays at 6:00pm - 7:00pm
- All abilities welcome

📍 Sidcot Pitch

Scan the QR code to register your interest

# LIBRARY NEWS

YATTON LIBRARY  
SEPTEMBER 2024

## BACK TO SCHOOL

All the staff here at Yatton library wish the pupils a good new school year. Remember if you need help with projects, come in and see what books we have.

Julie, Rosie, Ali, Karen and Vicki

## THANKYOU

Thank you to all the students that took part in our Summer Reading Challenge, the craft activities and the theatre event at the library. Don't forget to tell your teacher if you received a certificate.



### CLUBS FOR CHILDREN

-  Drawing Club - Tuesday 3:15 - 4:30pm 
-  Lego Club - Saturday 10am - 12noon 

### STORYTIME & RHYMETIME

Pre-school children are welcome to come along with an adult and join in the fun!

**Rhymetime - 2 sessions**  
Mondays 9:30am & 10:15am

**Storytime - Thursdays 2:30pm**

### BOOK OF THE MONTH

THE WONDER BROTHERS

Blackpool tower has vanished - can the magical cousins conjure it back home?



Churchill Methodist Church  
**CREATE! Sunday**  
**JUMP INTO NATURE**  
Sunday 22 September  
4-6pm @Fenswood Farm, BS40 5DZ  
FUN FOR FAMILIES 0-99y! FREE ENTRY  
Nature Activities Farm Animals  
Games & Craft Story  
Bring & Share Picnic  
INFO: Jacqueline  
01934 844134  
churchillmethodist.org.uk

## Churchill Baby & Toddler Group

**Mondays 09.00-11.30**  
**9, 16, 23 & 30 September**

@Churchill Methodist BS25 5NG

Try us for FREE!



Friendly Group

Lots of toys & craft

Cuppa & Cakes

Children's snack

INFO 01934 844134  
Jacqueline



Churchill Methodist Church  
churchillmethodist.org.uk

