

Friday 22nd May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

The beginning of the Summer Term (20th April) doesn't feel like it was that long ago, yet here we are, 5 school weeks later, with many memorable experiences and challenges under our belts, and lots to look forward to before the end of the academic year. When speaking to the children this week I know that many of them have exciting plans for the half-term, some are travelling overseas, many are going away on a mini-break, and many are looking forward to catching up with friends and family. Whatever your plans may be, I do hope that you all have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable holiday.

Returning back to recent events, last Friday some of Year 5 boys and girls had a memorable experience at Wellington Prep School, as they took part in a football 'Super 7's' festival. The children played with great gusto, team spirit and considerable skill. All of them were a credit to the school and were delighted to all be awarded a medal for their contributions throughout the afternoon.



More football was on the agenda this week as the Year 3 and 4 girls took part in a football festival on Wednesday, held at Taunton College. Both Miss Bell and I were very impressed with the girls' performances throughout the morning...both of our teams managed to score plenty of goals and everyone played with determination and a smile on their face.

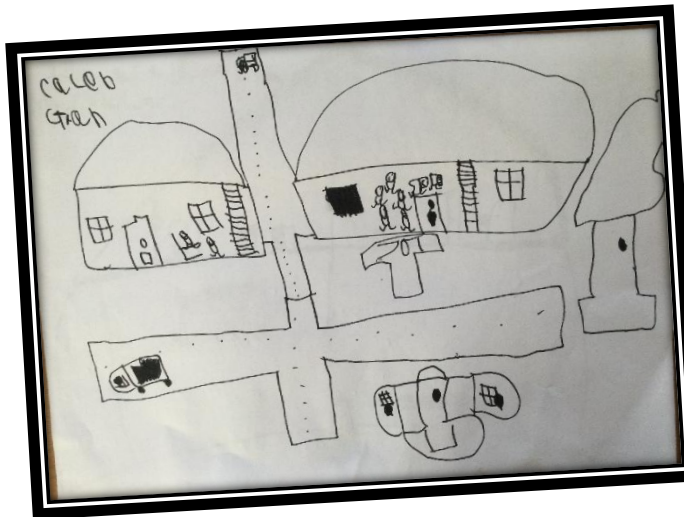




Fresh from concluding their SATS exams last week, on Monday, Hobby Class ventured to Burnham Beach for a well-deserved class trip. Much fun was had by all and Mrs Bell was very complimentary about the behaviour of all of the children involved.



This week in Merlin, the children were inspired by Martha's Marvellous Maps to create their own maps. They had a go at drawing plans of their own houses, streets, the village and even the Universe! They were very enthusiastic and loved sharing their ideas...



Before I sign off for the week, I wanted to share a photo of our therapy dogs, Pippin and Cora, who enjoyed their weekly visit to the school on Tuesday. The children are so good with the dogs and they always excitedly jump into the boot of my car when they know it's their day to visit school.



Safeguarding



Safeguarding is the responsibility of everybody. In terms of keeping children safe, please “Don’t think, ‘What if I’m wrong?’ Think... ‘What if I am right’”. If you have any concerns about a pupil, you should report this to a member of staff immediately. If you feel a pupil is at risk or a subject of abuse, you must contact the Designated Safeguarding Team immediately. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Clark and Deputy Designated Safeguarding leads are Mrs Bell, Mrs Bridgeman and Miss Hellyer. The school Safeguarding and Child Protection Governor is Miss Nikki Doughty. If you are ever worried about a child or young person who could be in danger, please contact Children’s Social Care on 0300 123 2224 or via email on childrens@somerset.gov.uk.

Attendance Matters



Well done to Kestrel Class who achieved the highest attendance score again this week! Our whole school attendance so far this academic year stands at 96.1% and our target is 97%.

It is incredibly important that our children attend school as much as they possibly can to make the most of their learning opportunities. Our teachers work hard to provide an engaging, purposeful and inspiring curriculum and we don’t want our children to miss out on it. Thank you, as ever, for your support in maintaining regular school attendance for your child/children.

Merlin 91.7%

Kestrel 95.7%

Osprey 86.4%

Buzzard 88.6%

Eagle 92.7%

Hobby 93.2%

PTFA

- The PTFA are looking for parent helpers for their fundraising events. Whether you can help in part or for a whole event, any help would be gratefully received. Please email wz-p-t-f-a@hotmail.com. Thank you.

Upcoming key dates

- Monday 1st – Friday 5th June: Year 6 Residential @ The Ultimate Adventure Centre, Bideford.
- Thursday 11th June - Y3/4 Athletics at The King Alfred School. Children involved have received letters.

- Friday 12th June – Y6 Softball Cricket Festival at Queen's College. Children involved have received letters.
- Wednesday 8th July - Sports Day (events begin from 10am).

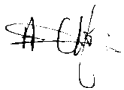
Notices

- We are always in need of adult helpers to listen to the children read during the school day. If you feel that this is something you'd like to help us with, please do contact Laura in the office for more information.

Before I sign off for the half-term, I'd like to extend my gratitude to our wonderful team of teaching and support staff here at Westonzoyland Primary School, for all of the excellent care and dedication that makes such a difference to our pupils. Thank you!

I do hope that you all have a relaxing and enjoyable half-term holiday.

With very best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Clark'.

Mr. Andy Clark

Westonzoyland



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Monday 10-11.30am



Westonzoyland Village Hall -
Committee Room
(round to the right hand side)



Parents, carers and
children 4 and under welcome



Refreshments available
for a small donation



A relaxed and welcoming space for little ones
to play, explore and make friends.



With thanks to St Mary's Church for providing funding
through the Westonzoyland Parish Educational Trust



Half Term Holiday Activities: Bugs, Bats & Butterflies

Investigate some of the winged wonders that visit Wells Cathedral, and try fun-filled family activities that can help support biodiversity at home.



Bat Trail

Saturday 23 to Sunday 31 May, 9am–4.30pm

Follow our bat trail and contribute to our growing bat roost tree.



Beautiful Butterflies

Tuesday 26 May, 10.30am–3.30pm

Learn about pollinators and make a butterfly feeder or try paper butterfly crafts.



Brilliant Bats

Wednesday 27 May, 10.30am–3.30pm

Find out about the bats that visit the Cathedral with a fun, interactive talk, and make a flapping bat toy.



Beds for Bugs

Thursday 28 May, 10.30am–3.30pm

Help us give our bug hotel a makeover, and make your own mini version to hang at home.

Admission included with entry to Wells Cathedral.

No need to book – simply drop in on the day!

Plan your visit online at wellscathedral.org.uk/holidays

Standard adult admission tickets include re-entry for 12 months from date of purchase, so you can enjoy access to a number of seasonal events, including exhibitions and Half Term Holiday Activities beyond your initial visit. Please note that children must be accompanied by a responsible adult and only assistance dogs are allowed at these activities.



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TUE 26TH

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WED 27TH

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THU 28TH

Laser Tag and Nerf Battles

FRI 29TH

Inflatable Day



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Extra Time available;

7.30-8.30am &

3.30-5.30pm

£20 a day!



Summer Fun 2026: Free Events in Bridgwater

May

4	May Day Celebration	11.00am - 3.00pm	Blake Gardens
29-31	Bridgwater Now Festival	5.00pm - 10.00pm 12.00midday - 10.00pm 12.00midday - 5.00pm	Various Locations inc. Blake Gardens

June

13	Bridgwater Food and Drink Festival	9.30am - 3.00pm	Town Centre
20	Bridgwater Cultural Festival	12.00midday - 3.00pm	Blake Gardens

July

25	Tea and Trumpets	10.00am - 3.00pm	Blake Gardens
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August

1	The Cobblestones Takeover	12.00midday - 10.00pm	Blake Gardens
5	Bridgwater Playday	10.00am - 3.00pm	St Matthews Field
22	Living History Day	10.00am - 3.00pm	Blake Gardens
22	Blake Museum Centennial Celebration	10.00am - 3.00pm	Blake Museum
22	Bridgwater Food and Drink Festival	9.30am - 3.00pm	Town Centre
29	Community Picnic	11.00am - 3.00pm	Mansfield Park

Discover fun for all ages! Visit Bridgwater Here and Now
www.bridgwaterhereandnow.com for more event details

Details correct at time of printing

