

Friday 24th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back to the start of what promises to be a very busy and memorable Summer Term. I do hope that you all had a relaxing Easter holiday. I know that the staff enjoyed the break and have been busy preparing lots of exciting lessons and activities for the term ahead. The children have returned from their Easter Holidays in good spirits and it has been a very positive start to the new term.

In our Wednesday assembly this week we spent time thinking about St. George, the patron saint of England. We talked about why we celebrate St. George's Day on the 23rd April every year, and discussed some of the qualities and characteristics that made George our patron saint. This led us onto thinking about some of our own school values, particularly of embracing opportunities and choosing kindness.

Within the classroom, Merlin have thoroughly enjoyed the start of their new Minibeasts topic. This week they have read poems from Mad about Minibeasts, and found out information about snails from non-fiction books. They looked at work by Henri Matisse before creating their own snails.



It has been great to once again welcome the Somerset Cricket Foundation into school to deliver a series of free cricket coaching sessions this half term. Judging from today, the children were having a great time and we have some talented cricketers in our school!



Looking back to the end of the Spring Term, Eagle Class had been learning about their local history and had a memorable trip to visit the famous battlefields of Westonzoyland. They also spent time visiting St. Mary's church, learning about the history of The Battle of Sedgemoor and its significance in our history. Mrs Hall was incredibly proud of how the children behaved and conducted themselves, and was very impressed with the that they questions asked, and the knowledge and understanding displayed by the children.



This week, Eagle class have been investigating the style, pattern and characteristics of Ancient Egyptian art...



In other news, I was bowled over when Ella-Raye (Eagle Class) showed me the Artemis II rocket that she designed and built over the holidays. Inspired by the recent successful space mission to the moon, Ella-Raye created a fabulous replica of the rocket, she used a mixture of piping, some materials from around her home and even 3D printed some of the rocket parts. I think you'll agree from the photo below that she has done a brilliant job! Well-done Ella Raye!



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 Osprey class who achieved the highest attendance score this week! Our whole school attendance so far this academic year stands at 96.2% 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 95.2%

Kestrel 95%

Osprey 98.6%

Buzzard 97.9%

Eagle 98.1%

Hobby 97.9%

PTFA

- Name the Lambs! Please see the poster below, and flyers sent home with children today. Chapel Farm are looking to name a girl and boy lamb. Pay £1 per name, which must begin with the letter “G”. A draw will be done by Chapel Farm at the next PTFA meeting. Please hand form and money into the school office by Friday 1st May.
- Friday 8th May – Summer Disco! KS1 5:30-6:30pm and KS2 6:45-8:00pm.
- 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

- Friday 24th April – Years 3-6 begin a five-week block of Cricket Coaching by Somerset Cricket Foundation.
- Monday 27th April – First swimming session (Year 3&4)
- Tuesday 28th April – Class photographs.
- Tuesday 28th April – Year 1 & 2 Football Fixture vs Eastover (Home) 2pm kick off. Letters have been sent to the children involved.
- Wednesday 29th April – Merlin & Buzzard trip to Noah's Ark Zoo Farm
- Wednesday 29th April – Osprey trip to Westonzoyland Pumping Station
- Wednesday 29th April – Year 6 boys cricket fixture away vs. Wellington School, 2pm start. Letters have been sent to the children involved.

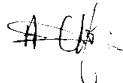
Notices

- We have been kindly gifted a junior violin. If anybody is thinking of taking up the instrument, please let us know.
- Our new workshop for parents of Year 6 children, who are preparing to transition on to Secondary School, is coming soon. It will be on Wednesday 20th May, 5:30-7:30pm here at Westonzoyland School. This workshop is run by Young Somerset and is to assist parents in supporting their children through this journey. If you would like to attend, the deadline for reserving a place has been extended. Please sign up with Laura in the office by Friday 1st May.
- 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.
- As we are now in the Summer Term, we are looking to introduce picnic lunches on the school field when the weather permits. We plan to begin this on **Monday 11th May** – this will allow time for any existing hot meal orders with our caterers, Beech Catering, to be completed, and for then parents to opt in for the picnic lunch option the next time Laura emails out the menus.

Before I sign off for the weekend, I wanted to congratulate Deb Jull on her recent appointment as Parent Governor here at Westonzoyland Primary School!

I hope that you have a restful and enjoyable weekend.

With very best wishes,



Mr. Andy Clark

NAME THE LAMBS!

Chapel Farm, Westonzoyland

We've got two adorable lambs who need names... and we need **YOUR** help!

THE RULES:

- G** Names must begin with the letter "G"
-  One Ram (boy) and one Ewe (girl) to name
- £1** £1 per name entry (per lamb)

 Get creative! Funny, traditional or cute as long as it starts with a "G"



ENTRIES & PAYMENT:

Please hand your entries and monies back to the school by **FRIDAY 1ST MAY**



DRAW DATE:

The draw will be done at **NEXT PTFA MEETING** at the PTFA meeting with Chapel Farm.



Thank you for supporting the PTFA and Chapel Farm!



RAM (BOY):

EWE (GIRL):

Name:

Class:

GOOD LUCK & HAVE FUN!

T&C will be on the newsletter



WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN IN YEAR 6

Supporting your child with Transitions

This is a 2 hr workshop facilitated by Young Somerset. It is an opportunity to meet other parents and share concerns. We look at some common worries about transition, some do's and don'ts and share hints and tips on how to support your child with a successful transition. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.

Wednesday 20th May

5:30pm-7:30pm

To sign up please contact the school office

Westonzoyland Primary School, Cheer Lane, Bridgwater

Tel: 01278 691 381 Email: office@wzps.co.uk

www.youngsomerset.org.uk



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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





MORE INFO



FREE!

Armed Forces and Emergency Services Day

Saturday 20th June 2026

**10:00 AM - Weston-super-Mare
Beach Lawns, Seafront**

Veterans Parade



**Demonstrations and
Arena Displays**



Food Market



Live Music and Funfair



WESTON SUPER-MARE TOWN COUNCIL



April/May/June 2026



Somerset School Nurse Team Newsletter

Welcome to the Somerset School Nurse Team newsletter!

The school nurse team is made up of Specialist Community Public Health Nurses, and Assistant Practitioners. We specialise in promoting the health and wellbeing of children and young people aged 5–19 years and cover primary and secondary schools across Somerset.

This newsletter will be delivered termly, and is intended to keep you up-to-date on all the things we are doing as a service, and will include topics and links relevant to physical and mental health.

We hope you find this newsletter helpful but please do feedback anything you would like to be added.

[Somerset children & young people : Health & Wellbeing : Phn School Nursing](#)



Feedback QR code

ONLINE SAFETY

Are you worried about your child being online?

For more information and advice visit:

[Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)



Fussy Eating in Children



Do you worry about your child being a fussy eater?

For further information check out the following webinars, or speak with your GP or School Nurse team for further support.

[Webinars on Fussy Eating in Children -](#)

patientwebinars.co.uk



ELSA Support



Did you know that most primary schools are able to offer ELSA support to school aged children in their care around a variety of topics including bereavement, anxiety, stress, friendships and managing emotions/feelings.

ELSA stands for Emotional Literacy Support Assistant, and they are specialist teaching assistants with a wealth of knowledge and experience of working with children.

ELSA's are trained and regularly supervised by the Educational Psychologists.

Their aim is to build your child's emotional development and to help them to cope with life's challenges.

The ELSA will help your child to find solutions to problems they may have.

Please speak with the ELSA in your school if you feel this support could benefit your child.



UK Government NHS

WRAP YOUR CHILDREN UP WITH THE BEST PROTECTION - VACCINATIONS

Are your child's vaccines up to date?
Check their red book or speak to their GP practice.

STAY STRONG. GET VACCINATED.

 *Westonzoyland Primary*

WRAPAROUND

 EASTER TO MAY HALF TERM

MONDAY

Cricket/Rounders

TUESDAY

Science Club

WEDNESDAY

Arts and Crafts

THURSDAY

Gymnastics



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