



Newsletter
Term 3
Friday 6th February 2026

Dear parents and carers,

We are almost at the end of term 3. Hasn't it flown by? January has brought with it lots of wet and windy weather and it looks like the beginning of February will not be any different. Our spirits are very sunny across the school though.

We have one week left of term 3 as the end of term is looming. Next week is a busy week with lots of things happening including Children's Mental Health Week, Year 4 family worship, Safer Internet Day and a Year 6 Greek day at West wick on top of our usual activities.

We finish next Friday on Friday 13th – let's hope that doesn't bring bad luck for us all.

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CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. The official theme for Children's Mental Health Week 2026 is **'This is My Place'**. We know that our sense of belonging as individuals, in our friendships, in school, and in communities plays a vital role in our mental health and wellbeing. To know our place and really feel part of our environment is a basic human need. It can have powerful and long-lasting impacts in lots of areas of our lives, including our physical and mental health, education, employment and relationships. When we feel that we belong, it empowers us to contribute to the world and make a real difference.



The children will take part in a variety of activities during the week to focus on their sense of belonging and wellbeing. The week will finish with a whole school mix up. Children have chosen their activities that they will be complete in other classes with children from other year groups. We have yoga, musical doodling, journalling, emotion jenga, mindfulness art and lots more. Thank you to Miss Hoskins who has worked hard to arrange all the activities for the children.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

SAFER INTERNET DAY

Safer Internet Day 2026 will take place on the 10th of February 2026, with celebrations and learning based around the theme **'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'**

Everyone's talking about AI, and with many children and young people hearing about and using AI online, it's important they have the skills and confidence to make safe choices when they are using smart technology.

This Safer Internet Day we are exploring the impact of AI on all of our lives, looking at how AI can be used for good and giving advice and guidance that empowers people to use AI safely and responsibly.

Safer
Internet
Day 2026 | Tuesday
10 February

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

saferinternetday.org.uk

Children will be using some of the resources provided by the Safer Internet centre and BBC to explore some of these issues and to promote being safe online.

Please see the link below for further resources to use with your children at home.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons/articles/zcbhdbn#zfgcs82>

<https://www.childnet.com/>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

SEND PARENTS/CARERS EVENING

On **Tuesday 3rd March @WW** and **Wednesday 4th March @H** parents and carers (with children on the SEND register) have the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher to review their previous targets and share the next step in their learning journey. It is also an opportunity for you to share your thoughts and your child's thoughts on their education and the support they receive in school. The SENDCo will also be available if you need to discuss further support. You will have been sent an email with an appointment slot. **Please respond** to that email to confirm if you are able to attend or not. Thank you to everyone who has confirmed so far.

NEW PTFA

We are delighted that we have a new PTFA committee members. Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the AGM and put themselves forward.



The new chair of the PTFA is Rebecca Conibear, who is one of our Hewish parents and she will be supported by Natasha Clatworthy and Emily Coleburn as Vice Chairs. We have other committee roles being filled by Simon Jewell, Lucy Redall and we wish them lots of luck in their new roles and we hope that all our families will support the events and fundraising ideas they organise. A big thank you to everyone for stepping up to support the school. There will be a PTFA newsletter shortly but in the meantime, the first event in the diary is the Easter disco which is booked for Thursday 2nd April which is the last day of term 4. More details to follow about this and other events.

SCHOOL DINNERS



Please make sure you book your child's school dinner in advance or at least before **9.00am** each day. It is parent/ carers' responsibility to order children's meals. The school office will order in exceptional circumstances but please do try your best to order them in advance. We do not want any children to miss having a lunch ordered. If you need a reminder of your activation codes or how to use the booking system, please ask in the office and we will be happy to help.

Use this link to login: <https://select.aspens-services.com>

Meal prices are **£2.75** per meal but free to all Busy Bees and Key Stage 1 (This is called Universal Free School Meals).

You can check to see if you are eligible for free school meals via this link: <https://n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/schools-learning/local-schools/free-school-meals> . Please do check your eligibility as you and your child may be entitled to other support including additional funding in school.

NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please can we remind everyone that we are a completely **nut-free school** and that snacks and lunch boxes must **not** contain anything nutty, including chocolate hazelnut spreads like Nutella and peanut butter. This is to ensure the safety of our children who can have severe allergic reactions to **all nuts and peanuts**.



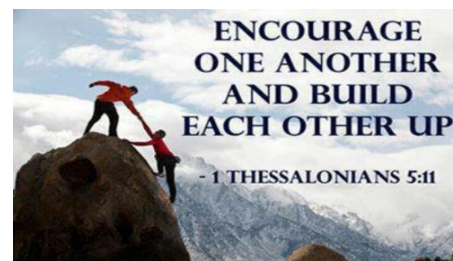
TERM 3 VALUE

This term's value is Friendship which is one of our favourite values.

The children will be learning how to be a good friend, someone who can be trusted and is loyal.

At home, you could talk together about how friends come in all shapes and sizes. Some are young, some are old. Some are always there, some we see only occasionally. Can you think about what makes a good friend and how can we be a good friend to others?

We look forward to seeing year 4 leading our family worship on the value of Friendship on Monday 9th February.



IMPORTANT DIARY DATES / YEARLY PLANNER

Monday 9th - 13th February – Children's mental health

Tuesday 10th February – Safer Internet day

Thursday 12th February – Y6@H & Y6@WW Ancient Greek Experience Day at West Wick

Friday 13th February – End of term 3

Monday 23rd February – INSET day

Tuesday 24th February – Start of term 4

Tuesday 24th February – Y3 Trip to Cheddar Caves

Monday 2nd - 6th March — Reading for pleasure week

Tuesday 3rd March - SEND Parents Evening @WW

Wednesday 4th March - SEND Parents Evening @H

Thursday 5th March – World Book day

Friday 20th March – Comic relief

Thursday 2nd April – End of term 4 / PTFA School disco

Family worship dates

Family worships are held on Monday afternoons and will be held on the following dates in the new year. They usually start at 2:15pm but you will be contacted nearer the time with confirmed timings – some classes like to start earlier to allow time for a look at learning in class afterwards.

Year 4 - Monday 9th February 2026

Year 3 - Monday 23rd March 2026

Year 1 - Monday 11th May 2026

Year 2 - Monday 6th July 2026



Celebration Worship

We love inviting parents and carers to our celebration worships on Fridays, but please can we ask that you don't film during the worship. You will have the opportunity to take photos afterwards.

TERM DATES 2025 - 2026 / 2026 - 2027

Term 1	Start Monday 1 st September 2025 (INSET DAY) End Friday 24 th October 2025
Term 2	Start Monday 3 rd November 2025 (INSET DAY) End Friday 19 th December 2025
Term 3	Start Monday 5 th January 2026 (INSET DAY) End Friday 13 th February 2026
Term 4	Start Monday 23 rd February 2026 (INSET DAY) End Thursday 2 nd April 2026
Term 5	Start Monday 20 th April 2026 End Friday 22 nd May 2026

Term 6	Start Monday 1 st June 2026 (INSET DAY) End Tuesday 21 st July 2026
Term 1	Start Monday 7 th September 2026 (Thurs 3 rd & Friday 4 th September 2026 INSET DAYS) End Friday 23 rd October 2026
Term 2	Start Monday 2 nd November 2026 End Friday 18 th December 2026
Term 3	Start Monday 4 th January 2027 End Friday 12 th February 2027
Term 4	Start Monday 22 nd February 2027 End Thursday 25 th March 2027
Term 5	Start Monday 12 th April 2027 End Friday 28 th May 2027
Term 6	Start Monday 7 th June 2027 End Friday 23 rd July 2027
More information on INSET DAYS will follow	

Please be aware that holidays in term time cannot be authorised and will incur a penalty fine, which is issued by North Somerset Council, if the absence exceeds 10 sessions in a ten-week rolling period (10 sessions is a total of 5 days. The 5 days do not need to be consecutive). The penalty fine is now £80 per parent per child, which is payable within 21 days, this rises to £160 if paid between 22 and 28 days. Failure to pay will result in prosecution.

If you do need to take you child out of school, please ensure you complete an absence request form which is available from the office.

Please be mindful that a second term time holiday automatically incurs a penalty notice of £160 per child, per parent. We do not want anyone to be caught out by this large sum of money.

Please also be aware that if a school believes a child has been on holiday even after receiving sickness messages, schools are still obliged to recommend a penalty notice.

PARENT AND CARER INFORMATION

February Half Term @ Little Farm



trips
crafts
games



Monday 16th February Valentine's Cooking & Craft Day A fun, hands-on day of Valentine's baking and creative crafts. Children will make sweet treats and Valentine creations to take home	Tuesday 17th February Pancake Day Celebrate Shrove Tuesday with campfire and indoor pancakes, trying different pancake creations as a fun-filled cooking day.	Wednesday 18th February Chinese New Year Celebrate Chinese New Year with a fun-filled day of crafts, games, and activities inspired by the festival. Children will enjoy creating, exploring traditions, and celebrating together.	Thursday 19th February Science Discover Day Join us for Science Day packed with hands-on experiments, exciting discoveries, and messy fun as children explore science through play.	Friday 20th February Pirate Adventures Ahoy, mates! Join us on a pirate adventure to Weston Museum to explore the Seven Seas and meet legendary pirates. Fancy dress encouraged!	Monday 23rd February Flip Out & Banana Bread Join us for a morning of Flip Out trampoline adventures, followed by an afternoon back at Little Farm baking delicious banana bread to celebrate National Banana Bread Day Additional Charge: £11.50

07543769315

email: littlefarm@live.co.uk
Little Farm Childcare, Hewish, BS24 6RQ

£36 per day 9am - 3pm

(Additional hours from 7.30am and up to 6pm)

Parents please provide a pack lunch and a water bottle

Time Out For Parents



Handling Anger in the Family

Sessions for anyone parenting children aged 5 to 16

Toddler Tantrums Teen Troubles

Bedtime Battles Family Flashpoints

Mealttime Meltdowns Hangry Homework

This tried & tested course will equip you with ideas and strategies to bring harmony into your family!

Date

Mondays 12.30pm – 2.30pm
23rd February, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd March 2026

Venue

Locking Castle Church
Jasmine Way, Locking Castle
Weston Super Mare, BS24 7JW

Booking and Info

Contact Cathy Bond
Mobile 07875 442139
Email parentinglcc@gmail.com



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KENYA HOPE CHARITY FUNDRAISER

Kenya Hope Charity are once again collecting items (as detailed below) to raise money to help fund projects, buy equipment and feed the children in and around Malanga Primary School in Kenya. We will be a drop-off point for any donations from now until the end of term – Friday 13th February. Please hand any donations in at either of our school offices.



Find us: Recycling for Good Causes
14 Amber Business Village
Amington
Tamworth
B77 4SP
Tel: 0800 633 5323
Email: info@recyclingforgoodcauses.org
Visit: www.recyclingforgoodcauses.org

Items we recycle

<p>Jewellery</p> <p>Unwanted gold & silver including damaged items Costume jewellery Watches</p>	<p>Coins & Currency</p> <p>Banknotes & Coins Any currency UK or foreign of any age/unchangeable currency</p>
<p>Mobile Phones, Cameras & Gadgets</p> <p>Mobile Phones . Video Cameras Old Film Cameras . Digital Cameras . Sat Navs Game Consoles . Games & Accessories . iPods MP3 Players . Tablet Computers</p>	<p>Stamps</p> <p>Loose / Single Stamps First Day Covers Presentation Packs</p>



Donors: Please place your items into the sack provided at your designated drop off point.
Drop off point representative: Call Recycling For Good Causes on 0800 633 5323 (freephone) when your sack is full or weighs over 10kg for your free collection.

Recycle and raise funds for...

Wanted! Your old Cameras

• Digital • Film • Video • Cinecameras • Hi-8 • Super 8, etc.

Any age. Any condition

Just hand them to a member of staff and we'll do the rest.
We are working with our partners Recycling For Good Causes to put them to good use and raise much needed funds.
Your donations help us to continue our vital work.