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Friday 9th October 2026

Note from the Head...

We have had Year 4 baking up a treat with the smell of fresh bread filling the corridors this week! The children loved creating and making their own flavoured bread and putting these in front of our panel of parent judges who loved them all! It was a very hard decision for each group.

Carnival club are busy beginning to create their costumes and learning their routine to dazzle the parade next Friday night!

We open our doors tomorrow afternoon for anyone looking for a place next September. Please tell everyone to come and have a look. So many people change their minds once they have met the team and seen the resources and provision, we are able to offer their children. So, if you know of people looking for a school place, please mention our event.

Year 5 next week have an exciting ice cream themed week planned – so we look forward to hearing all about that! Whilst Year 4 start to pack their bags ready for their residential to Hooke Court the following week!

Best wishes

Graeme Wilson
Headteacher



Attendance – 96.2%

Whilst a slight slip downwards, we thank you all for keeping us above the 95% mark.

Congratulations to **Earth** class for 100% attendance this week. Well done.



Autumn Bingo – Thank you

Thank you to everyone who supported our Bingo night last week. Whether it was through providing prizes on Mufti or attending the night – your kindness has generated an amazing **£1600** for the school to renew and purchase

resources to support the curriculum. This will include science equipment, humanities artefacts, art resources and tools for DT. It is such a generous amount we are so, so grateful.

A huge thank you to Mrs Griffiths and her team on the PTA for all their work in the background to put on the event which has given so much joy to our community and resources to our school. – thank you 😊

Parents Evening

We are also holding our parents' evenings on Tuesday and Thursday to allow parents an opportunity to hear how well the children have settled in to their new class and year group. (We are sorry that we have to change the appointments for Mrs Stapleton on Thursday evening and thank parents for their flexibility.) There will also be a member of the MHST (Mental Health Schools Team) in school during these evenings should you wish to discuss how they may be able to support your child. They will be located in the main entrance lobby of the school.



Open Day Info – Saturday 10th October 2pm – 4pm

If you, or your friends, are looking for a school place for September 2027, please come along with your child to our Open Day next Saturday 10th October. This will give you an

opportunity to meet the team and hear all about the

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transition in to school and what our wonderful school can offer your child. We look forward to seeing you there.

MHST Parent and Carer Wellbeing Toolkit

Please follow the link below to access a wide range of advice, resources, and support to help promote your child's mental health and wellbeing.

<https://padlet.com/SomersetMHST/parent-carer-wellbeing-toolkit-5mx7nlay6ba0ozlm?scrllybrkr=fb08a7f6>

Rotary Shoebox Scheme

Just a reminder if you would like to contribute to this cause, please send your filled shoeboxes with a £2.00 donation sellotaped to the top of the box by **Wednesday 21st October**.



Lost Property

We have huge amounts of lost property, much of which is not labelled clearly, making hard to return to the correct children. Whilst we try to help find items, please help us in teaching your child to be responsible for their own items and collecting them at the end of play etc. We do have an account with Stikins name labels and each order placed earns us 30% commission in the PTA. Please use the link below and quote number 25518 when asked.



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Medals

- **Charlie A.** in Pluto Class for incredible thinking skills categorising animals as Herbivore or Carnivore.

- **Earl** in Mercury Class for being able to read all the words in phonics all by himself. Earl you have been trying so hard and always make your friends laugh and feel better.
- **Lily** in Earth Class for excellent understanding of part-whole models. What a great mathematician!!!
- **Ralph** in Venus Class for extending his own writing skills within our lessons and continuous provision.
- **Harrison** in Mars Class for great learning choices, engaging brilliantly with your work and showing wonderful kindness to others!
- **Harry W.** in Neptune Class for making fantastic progress this term, both in his learning and in his ability to make positive choices.
- **Malindi** in Jupiter Class for an amazing persuasive letter with fantastic vocabulary and expanded noun phrases.
- **Maeve** in Saturn Class for her scientific reasoning when making a prediction in science.
- **Max T.** in Sun Class for excellent progress in focusing in lessons and presentation of work. So proud of you Max.
- **Joslyn** in Moon Class for developing her use of ambitious vocabulary and use of expanded noun phrases. Well done.
- **Arad** in Apollo Class for excellent progress with his writing and working hard to achieve his targets.
- **Arthur** in Asteroid Class for working well with a partner when practising a routine in Gymnastics. Well done!
- **Ethan** in Milky Way Class for his brilliant enthusiasm and positive attitude to learning in science when learning about micro-organisms.
- **Leo** in Galaxy Class for the exceptional effort that you put into every single aspect of your learning! WELL DONE Leo – what a brilliant start to Y6!

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Wincanton Carnival & Light-up's

Fri 16th Oct

With only week to go, we are all looking forward to a great night. Fingers crossed its dry.

Road closures come into place anytime from 5.30pm onwards, although we will try to hold off until 6pm, it all depends on public safety as people start to congregate in the town.

The carnival takes a lot of time and money to host, and we really need every donation you can possibly spare us, in buckets on the night, buckets around town or by scanning the QR code below.

I will be on playground after school next week selling light ups, all proceeds of which return to the carnival unlike the street vendors who give us nothing, so please come and see me. Cash & Card accepted. **Claire Bird, Carnival Secretary.**



Scan to pay
Wincanton Carnival Committee

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Venue	Family Pass Details
HESTERCOMBE www.hestercombe.com Hestercombe Road, Taunton TA2 8LG	FAMILY PASS 2 adults, 5 children
Puxton Park www.puxton.co.uk Cowslip Lane, Hewish, BS24 6AH	Tickets are at the reduced cost of £7 per person with a maximum of 5 people. Please email the CIA Team to book tickets.
COURT FARM www.courtfarmcountrypark.co.uk Court Farm Country Park, Womershill Road, Banwell, BS29 6DL	FAMILY PASS 2 adults, 2 children
Abbotsbury www.abbotsbury-tourism.co.uk Swannery & Subtropical Gardens, Church Street, Abbotsbury, Dorset, DT3 4JJ	FAMILY PASS 2 adults, 3 children
Noah's Ark ZOO www.noahsarkzoo.co.uk Clevedon Road, Wroxall, Bristol, BS48 1PG	FAMILY PASS 2 adults, 2 children Please note: the park is NOT normally open on Sundays
WILD PLACE www.wildplace.org.uk Junction 17, M5 Cribbs Causeway, BS10 7TP	FAMILY PASS 2 adults, 3 children
FERNE ANIMAL SANCTUARY www.ferneanimalsanctuary.org Wambrook, Chard, TA20 3DH	FAMILY PASS 2 adults, 3 children

How does it work?

1. Choose a place to visit
2. Choose a date
3. Email ciateam@somerset.gov.uk with your child's name, disability, which pass you would like and on what date
4. We will check our diary & if it's free, we will take some details & book you in

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