

St. Andrew's Newsletter 05 26/27

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National Nurturing
School Award
2025

St Andrew's Primary School



We are excited to share our new reception class outside provision area with you! We strongly believe that our pupils deserve the very best start to their education and so we have prioritised spending money on significantly improving our outside space. A shout out to the PTA for organising events and to all of the parents that have donated money through fundraising as some of the PTA funds from last year have gone towards the project . This area is not an extension of the school playground but is a purpose built area for our pupils to learn in outside. Despite, installation and timing issues we are absolutely delighted with the finished project.

There are distinct areas for our pupils to explore and learn: an area to have small group teaching around an outside whiteboard; a large equipment construction to develop gross motor skills; a blackboard to practice fine motor skills; an obstacles course of blocks for gross motor skills ; a tepee to support quiet space; a stage with seats for an audience to promote oracy and confidence alongside investigation stations and sandpits. Robin crew have absolutely loved learning outside in this space this week and we can already see what a difference it will make!

We look forward to spending time with Robin crew pupils and their families tomorrow for our annual Stay and Play in school. This is always a fantastic event and integral in making further connections with our parents in supporting partnerships.













Can you help our school please?

We are wondering if there may be any parents / carers able to help us please? Do you have any equipment that may be useful to help us move our PE Tin to another area within the school?





We are also seeking any parents / carers who may have connections within the dental industry to come in and speak to our Robins Crew about their role. If you are able to help with either of these, please get in touch with the school office.



Christian Vale - Respect



Our Christian value this term is RESPECT

Respect Newsletter



St Andrew's Primary School
Christian Values Termly Newsletter

'Growing Together'

RESPECT

give respect — get respect

This term we will be learning about these bible stories:

Jesus and the Roman Centurion.

Do unto others as you would have them done unto you. Matthew 7 v12

Jesus in the Temple

Questions to think about...

- Why is self-respect important?
- Who do you respect?
- Why do they deserve it?
- How do you feel when people don't show you respect?
- What are the ways we can show respect?

Quotes

Nobody can be happy without self-respect. (*Jean-Jacques Rousseau*)

Respect is for those who deserve it, not for those who demand it. (*J Johnson*)

Respect—give it to get it! (*Anon*)

Respect people's feelings. Even if it doesn't mean anything to you, it could mean everything to them. (*J Johnson*

Family activities...

to discuss in times of conflict...

- Ketchup Squirt – to show that any rude or unkind comments are impossible to take back and we should think before we speak.
- Discuss—What does respect look and sound like?
- Draw a mind map or poster of respectful words and phrases and tick them off every time you use them.

Attendance Figures

Attendance for this academic year to 06/11/2026

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98%	93%	95.5%	97%	98%	96%	97%

Allergy Update

We would like to reassure parents / carers that all of our staff members have received up to date Allergy Training.

To review the LSP Allergy Policy please use the link below.

https://www.lsp.org.uk/policies

We would like to remind parents / carers that we cannot accept treats for children to give out to their class friends for occasional celebrations. It is something that we have allowed in the past but will no longer continue to do. This is across all of our classes and is to ensure we can keep all children with allergies and medical conditions safe.

Thank you for your support.

Select - Meal Ordering

We would like to remind parents / carers of the meal ordering process for hot school lunches provided in school by Aspens.

To make an order you need to do so via Select.

Meals must be ordered by 7am on the day of consumption. If you wish to cancel a meal it must be done by 7am on the day otherwise you will still be charged.

If your child has no lunch ordered and a packed lunch has not been provided, the school office will contact you to ask if you can bring a packed lunch in.

On occasion, an emergency school lunch can be arranged but this is limited to a selection of sandwich choices or hot pasta depending on availability.

Branching-Out-The-Magic-Faraway-Tree



Transition to Secondary Workshop



Aspens - Proud to be using Local Suppliers



Where Our Food Comes From

At Aspens, we aim to source the ingredients for our 85% freshly cooked menus from within 50 miles of each school we serve. This means we can support local, British farmers and suppliers, while keeping food miles low.

For our LSP schools, we have curated our supply chain to feature the Best of Bristol and its surrounding areas, with key groups sourced from the businesses below:

Arthur David

Fresh Fruit and Vegetables - Arthur David

Based at Hillside Farm, Bishop Sutton, Arthur David has been delivering fresh produce to Bristol and the West Country for over 60 years, earning accolades including UK Family Business of the Year 2017 and Bristol Life Family Business of the Year 2019.

Based on their strong values and consistent quality, Aspens partners with Arthur David to offer LSP students a range of tasty produce, including local Cheddar Valley Strawberries from Warrens Fruit Farm and seasonal Rhubarb, Blueberries and Beans from Cobrey Farms in Ross-on-Wye.

Meat and Dairy products - John Sheppard

Over their 80-year history, John Sheppard has grown from a Bristol high street butcher's shop to one of the West Country's leading meat suppliers, all while staying faithful to their trusted, high-quality local farm network.

LSP students can enjoy fully traceable, welfare-first meat and dairy from John Sheppard's local farms, including Award-winning, Red-Tractor-certified local beef from Alec Jarrett's, farmed in Oldland Common, Bristol.

Bakery Ingredients and Products - Hobbs House Bakery

As a fifth-generation family business with B-Corp certification and over 100 years of serving Bristol and its communities, we are proud to call Hobbs House Bakery our key bakery supplier for the LSP schools.

Hobbs House works to minimise environmental impact and support local farming, with their Shipton Mill flour travelling less than 15 miles from the field to their oven in Greater Bristol, ensuring LSP students can enjoy bakery items made with fresh, local ingredients.

HAF Activity Bookings



We're excited to share that bookings for **North Somerset HAF Winter activities** will go live on **Friday 6th November at 9am!**

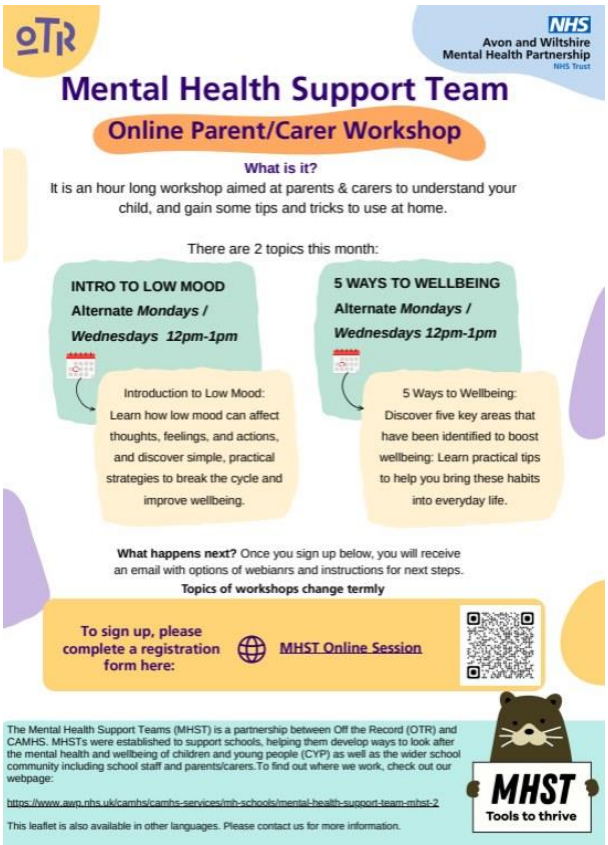
There are some fantastic activities on offer this winter, with something for everyone to enjoy! From multi-sports clubs and gymnastics to family swim sessions, bring-a-friend gym sessions, Mendip Activity Centre experiences, arts and crafts, and so much more.

There will also be some wonderful festive experiences to get everyone into the Christmas spirit, with plenty of opportunities for children and young people to try something new, make friends, stay active and have lots of fun over the winter holidays! 🎄⛄

📅 **Bookings open: Friday 6th November at 9am**

🔗 **Visit our booking platform:** https://eequ.org/northsomersethaf

Mental Health Support Team



Reception intake 2027 School Tours



Little Farm - After School Care - Spaces Available



PH Active - After School Sports Clubs - Term 2



Congresbury Tennis Club



St Andrews After School Tennis Club

Run by the Congresbury Tennis Club Coaching Team

Our fun and engaging after school tennis club is perfect for children in Year 1 and above who want to develop their skills, make friends, and enjoy the game!

- ⏰ Time: 3:15pm – 4:25pm
- 📍 Location: Congresbury Tennis Club (children are safely walked down by our coaches – just a 10-minute walk from school)
- 🎾 Activities: Rally skills, serving practice, match play, and building confidence on court
- 👥 Group size: Maximum of 10 children for quality coaching
- 💷 Cost: £30 for a 6-week block

Children will be collected from St Andrews reception at 3:15pm by our coaching team and walked safely to the tennis club. Parents will then collect them directly from the tennis club at 4:25pm.

Come and join us for some tennis fun after school – spaces are limited!

https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/CongresburyLTC/Coaching/Book/e88d1496-6bb2-4df3-a9af-ef1bb6535897

Drama Club - Stage Starlings - Term 2

Calling All Young Performers – Join Us for a Magical Christmas at Stage Starlings!

Does your child love performing, making new friends, being creative or simply having fun? Perhaps they'd like to grow in confidence, try something new or discover their inner star?

Stage Starlings Drama Club is back for a very exciting Christmas term, and we'd love to welcome some new faces!

This term, we'll be bringing a much-loved Christmas classic to life with our very own production of...

SCROOGE: A Christmas Carol!

Inspired by Charles Dickens' timeless festive tale, our young performers will step into the magical world of Ebenezer Scrooge, the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future, and a host of wonderfully colourful characters!

Over six fun-filled sessions, the children will explore characters, learn lines, develop their acting skills, play drama games and work together to create a special Christmas performance for family and friends.

Why Join Stage Starlings?

Drama is about so much more than standing on a stage! Our sessions are designed to help children:

- **Build confidence and self-esteem** – finding their voice and feeling proud of what they can achieve.
- **Develop creativity and imagination** – exploring characters, stories and exciting new ideas.
- **Make friends and develop teamwork** – learning to listen, collaborate and support one another.
- **Improve communication skills** – developing clear speech, expression and the confidence to speak in front of others.
- **Have LOTS of fun!** – through drama games, improvisation, laughter and performance!

At Stage Starlings, I absolutely love seeing children grow in confidence, form friendships and discover what they're capable of. For me, drama isn't just about creating a fantastic final performance, it's about making sure every child feels valued, encouraged and proud of themselves along the way.

Whether your child is a budding West End star or someone who has never tried drama before, everyone is welcome! There's no experience necessary, just a willingness to have a go.

Christmas Term Dates

Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th November 2nd and 9th December

Christmas Performance: Wednesday 9th December

Our final session will include a special performance of *SCROOGE: A Christmas Carol!* for parents and families to enjoy.

Not Sure? Come and Give It a Try!

We know that trying something new can feel a little daunting, so we're offering a **one-off trial session on Wednesday 4th November for just £7.50.**

It's the perfect opportunity for children to meet the group, join in some fun drama activities and see whether Stage Starlings is for them, with no obligation to continue.

Interested in Joining Us?

We'd love your child to be part of our festive adventure!

To book a trial session or ask any questions, please get in touch:

Email: stagestarlings@gmail.com[1]

Phone: 07870 811931

Places are limited, so please do get in touch if your child would like to join the fun!

I can't wait to welcome our young performers and start bringing a little Christmas magic to the stage!

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STAGE STARLINGS
DRAMA CLUB
FOR YEARS 3-6
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS
UNTIL 4.15PM
Christmas Performance
SCROOGE!
A Christmas Carol
One-off trial session 4th Nov £7.50
£7.50 per session
stagestarlings@gmail.com
07870811931

Community News

Yatton Library Newsletter



New sessions avaliable with WEMA





School Calendar Dates

Term Dates 2026-2027

Term 2 - Monday 2nd November 2026 - Friday 18th December 2026

Term 3- Monday 4th January 2027 - Friday 12th February 2027

Term 4 - Monday 22nd February 2027 - Thursday 25th March 2027

Term 5 - Monday 12th April 2027 - Friday 28th May 2027

Term 6 - Monday 7th June 2027 - Friday 23rd July 2027

INSET days 2026-2027

Friday 20th November 2026

Friday 15th January 2027

Monday 22nd February 2027

Monday 12th April 2027

Annual Planner - Dates to remember

Dates to Remember 2026-2027

Robins Stay & Play: Saturday 7th November 2026

PTA AGM: Wednesday 11th November

PTA Autumn Disco: Thursday 19th November

Bikeability Level 2 : Monday 30th November @ AM and PM

Bikeability Level 2 Level 1 : Tuesday 1st December @ AM or PM

Individual School Photographs: Wednesday 2nd December

Bikeability Level 2 Tuesday 2nd December

Bikeability Wednesday Level 2 3rd December

PTA Christmas Shopping: Friday 4th December

Bikeability Level 2 Tuesday 8th December

Worship for Parents Falcons: Monday 7th December @ 2:45pm

Nativity Performance to Parents: Wednesday 9th December

Nativity Performance to Parents: Thursday 10th December

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day: Thursday 10th December

Christmas Fair: Friday 11th December

Worship for Parents Eagles: NEW DATE Monday 14th December moved from 21st September @ 2:45pm

Fish N Chip Disco Wednesday 16th December

Rocksteady Concert for Parents & KS2: Thursday 17th December 2026 9:30am

PTA Mufti Day: Friday 18th December

Worship for Parents Owls: Monday 8th February @ 2:45pm

Family Breakfast: Thursday 4th March

World Book Day: Thursday 4th March

Book Fair Delivered: Thursday 11th March

Parents Evening: Tuesday 23rd March @ 4:00-7:00pm

Parents Evening: Thursday 25th March @ 3:40-6:40pm

Worship for Parents Kingfishers: Monday 22nd March @ 2:45pm

Y6 Lifeskills: Tuesday 9th March

Rocksteady Concert for Parents & KS1: Thursday 18th March 9:30am

PTA Mufti Day: TBC

PTA Easter Egg Hunt: TBC

SATs Week & SATs Breakfast: Monday 10h – Thursday 13th May

Worship for Parents Kestrels: Monday 17th May @ 2:45pm

Y6 Camp: TBC

PTA Mufti Day: TBC

Sports Day KS2 – Monday 14th June moved from Friday 18th June KS2AM / KS1PM

Reserved Sports Day – Monday 28th June moved from Friday 2nd July KS2 AM / KS1 PM

Year 6 Churchill Transition Day Tuesday 29th June

Year 6 Drama Day @ Churchill Wednesday 30th June

Permission to Play: Friday 9th July

Class School Photography Tuesday 6th July AM

Worship for Parents Jays: Monday 5th July @ 2:45pm

Rocksteady Concert for Parents & KS2: Thursday 15th July 9:30am

Y6 Leavers Service: Thursday 22nd July

PTA Mufti Day: TBC

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