



Dear Parents and Carers

27th November 2020

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Badges Arrived!

This week we have seen the arrival of the long-awaited Learning Behaviour Badges. During the week there have been many awarded to children who have achieved at least one of each of our seven learning behaviours. Today, we also celebrate three children who have gained the green section to the badge: Jess A Year 5, Layla and Frankie, both Year 4. Really well done.

Virtual Tour

We have also finalised our virtual tour of the school which can be found on our website or viewed through the link below. Many thanks to Simon, Verity's Dad for supporting us with this. Tour Video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s83fxhEepn8&feature=youtu.be>
We have sent an email and paper letter to all local pre-schools but please pass the link on to anyone else who you know who may want to see it, thank you.

Jess in Year 5 earned her 'risktaker' this morning during cube numbers and so earned her green badge segment!



Yew Class: Theo, James, Megan, Kieran & Ellie

Hazel Class: Jess, Julia, Jemima, James, Lewis, Kyle, Amelia, Demisha, Skye, Florence, Brooke & Imogen.

Hawthorn Class: Rose, Archie, Charlie B, Charlie G, Chloe, Frankie, Jayden, Jenson, Josh H, Layla, Lillie, Monty & Sophia.

Willow Class: Oscar B, Aubree, Harrison, Billy, Erin, Ruby H, Oliver, Skye, Finley & Dylan.

Beech Class:

Oak Class: Cameron, Alfred, Lanah, Arthur, Darcey, Marley, Declan, Georgie, Jake, Orla, Elliott, Florence, Bailey, Clayton, Daniel, Harper, Isla, Joel, Ziggy, Lola & Archie.

Somerset Moving to Tier 2

From Thursday 3rd December, Somerset will be moving into Tier 2 as a measure to help reduce the risk Covid-19. I will be writing again next week, with information about the measures we continue to take, but ask you to abide by the decisions so that school remains as safe as it can be. We are starting to see a build-up of parents/carers and children waiting at the start of the day and want to remind everyone that to reduce the amount of time you are waiting and the proximity in which you have to walk past other parents, please do not arrive until the gates are open and your child's time slot is active. Ten minutes will allow all children to safely arrive and be collected without coming into contact with others. All adults should also be at least 2 m apart when waiting at the end of the day in the playground. Unfortunately, at the moment, the school site can no longer be a time for catching up and chatting between adults at the end or start of the day.

Love learning, work together, achieve and shine.

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Reception & Y1 Phonics Evening via Teams: Thursday 3rd December 5-6pm. This teams meeting will explain Read Write Inc. for parents to explain what the children do at school and how the children can be supported at home. We look forward to virtually seeing you there and further information and invites will come out early next week. **Please keep this meeting time free.**

Wellington Maths Challenge

At this time of year, we usually take a team of children to Wellington School to take part in their annual Maths Challenge. This year, the event still took place, but each school team competed at their own school. Well done to the four Year 6 children who take part today: Harry F, Jacob, Nikita and Theo. They worked together as a team to answer 25 tricky maths questions and have chosen two questions for you to have a go at:



Q13. Trudy writes the number 2020 in digits like this:



Trudy reflects this image in a vertical line and gets a new number. She then reflects the original image in a horizontal line to get a different new number. What is the difference between Trudy's two new numbers?

A. 5858 B. 4848 C. 4545 D. 1818 E. 1515

Q25. Lydia is collecting square numbers which do not end with a zero. She has already found: 36, 121, 3249 and 16384. Now she wants to find a square number which is greater than one million. Write down any square number which is greater than one million and does not end with a zero.

The team's answers have been submitted and we will find out next week how they got on. Good luck Team Tatworth!



Travelling Book Fair

Thank you for your support with our book fair. £364.95 in sales allowed us to purchase fabulous new books for school!

This week, Year Two talked PANTS!

Talk PANTS helps children understand that their body belongs to them, and they should tell someone they trust if anything makes them feel upset or worried.

To help you continue this conversation with your child, have a look at the NSPCC website for helpful tips, advice and materials.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>





[Talk PANTS & Join Pantosaurus - The Underwear Rule | NSPCC](#)

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www.nspcc.org.uk

Parent Director

We were very fortunate to have had four parents nominate themselves for the Parent Director vacancy. The Board of Directors felt that all four candidates had significant strengths which would have clearly added to the skills of the board. The voting results were very close, with only a few votes between all of the candidates at the final count. The person who received most votes is Kim Clark, who the Board look forward to welcoming to her first meeting.

Safer Internet

This week Y6 have had Safer Internet training and there were discussions around age ratings for games.

Amazon Smile

If you shop with Amazon they will donate of the value of your order 0.5% to school if you log in here:

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1035558-0>

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Remote Learning

Reminder to log in: and be prepared for remote learning if we need it. All years have now had letters with an individual email address and password for each child. These may still be in your child's book bag as it is now unusual for us to send a paper copy. So hopefully you will be able to open the letter and activate the account and change the password. The instructions are there to help but remote learning is new to all of us, so please let us know if you need any help to log in and set up your child's account. We have our IT technician in on Tuesday mornings, if you need to log a call for support. Thank you.

Spring Term Meals

The menu for the Spring Term will be shortly be live on parentpay. If your child would like a hot meal please log into parentpay and make selections by Friday 11th December. Please choose meals until the end of term: 1st April ensuring you skip through the half term break. (Reception parents: this will be your first time booking online, please call the office if you need support.)

Emergency Closure

In the Event of Disruption to Transport

If the roads are snowy and it is likely that our provider kitchen may be closed, pupils who have hot school meals are asked to come to school with a packed lunch.



In the Event of School Closure

Should it be necessary to close the school, for example in extremely bad weather conditions, parents/carers will be advised as follows:

Closure before the start of the school day – a message will be posted on the front page of the school website and a tweet/text sent as soon as possible. The website will be updated as the situation changes.

If the school has to close during the school day – again a message will be posted on the website/twitter and every effort will be made to text/phone parents if we are able to use the phone line.

In both instances Somerset County Council and local radio stations will also be advised who, in turn, include this information on their websites/broadcast the information.

It is the policy of the Governors that the school will remain open if at all possible. However, occasionally conditions are too bad for staff to travel safely into school necessitating a closure. These occasions are very rare.

Closure due to COVID-19 – If there is a need to close down a class/bubble or indeed the whole school because of a resurgence of Coronavirus, parents and carers will be contacted immediately with the appropriate information required. If your child has to return to working at home, then work will be posted via Tapestry for Reception Class and Teams for the rest of the school.

After School Virtual Sports Club

Every weekday at 5pm until the end of term (18 December), the YST are running a 30-minute online club for all children and young people to do some sport, develop skills and, most importantly, have fun! The After-School Sport Club will be led by Athlete Mentors from different backgrounds, abilities, and sports. Every day at 5pm from 16 November until 18 December, children and young people can join in with the live broadcast for free on the YST YouTube channel. Click on this link: <https://www.youthsporttrust.org/AfterSchoolSportClub>

Physical Activity: Schools in Somerset Challenges

We have the opportunity to log challenge activities with other schools in Somerset to: <https://www.saspchallenges.co.uk/?page=challenges> If you click on this link and then press FIND OUT MORE, then REGISTER, fill in the very short form with information, SASP will send you an email. From your email click the link. This will take you to a video clip, press SCHOOL, then find Tatworth Primary School and add your child. It would be great if we could show Somerset how fab we are.

Get Set Tokyo

Your team KEY STAGE 2 HIGHER (HAZEL AND YEW) have beaten their target! Well done everyone.



Celebrations:

Gold Cards: Hawthorn: Florence, Gracie, Julia, Kyle & Leyland. Acorn: Fergus & Jacob.

Platinum Bag: Hawthorn Class: Olivia. Acorn Class: Belle, Thea & Barnaby.

Behaviours for Learning Celebrations:

Yew Class: Sienna for being a fantastic partner – helpful and supportive. **Phin** for being motivated and engaged in lessons this week.

Hazel Class: Fern for being a star and keeping going this week. **Fern** has worked hard and has continued to improve her work. **Austin** showing lovely respect and great consideration by looking after others in Year 5.

Hawthorn Class: Oscar F for making an increased effort in his handwriting 😊 you are so close to a pen **Oscar**. Keep going! **Olivia** for super focus and engagement in Maths lessons and a well-presented Maths book 😊.

Willow Class: Maisy (So.) for always reading enthusiastically at home and at school, and talking confidently about what she has read. **Billy** for coming up with thoughtful, interesting ideas and questions about 'The Hodgheg! (and all the books we read!)

Beech Class: Joseph for great progress with being motivated and engaged with his learning. **Jayden** for great sentences about Flat Stanley.

Oak Class: Harper for being a team player. **Harper** is always looking out for people in her class. **Leo** for respect. **Leo** always listens to what he needs to do.

Acorn Class: Fergus for working really hard at his oral blending. **Cora** for her outstanding attitude to learning.

Kind regards,



Tracey Hart, Headteacher.

Reminders

Inset day: School is closed on Friday 4th December for an inset day.

Clubs: All afterschool activity clubs end today. However, Breakfast club and Stay & Play will continue until the end of term.

Vision Screening: Parents of children in Reception and Y1 will have received a letter from the vision screening service by email yesterday, please only return the slip if you are opting out.

Christmas

Christmas Cards: Sadly, this year we are unable to use our 'Christmas post box' therefore, please do not send in any pupil Christmas cards which are usually delivered at school. We are also sadly unable to sell Christmas stamps.

PAFOTS Christmas Virtual Fair Friday 11th December: Classes are busy making gifts/crafts to sell to bring home and PAFOTS have arranged for each class to have an activity or stall for the children to take part in. Purchases of craft items/activities may be made via parentpay - the total cost for craft activities and stall being £2.50 per child. Please purchase by 10th December, items will be sent home on the day of the Fair.

Christmas lunch Wednesday 16th December. This is open to all pupils, please make selections on parentpay by Friday 4th December. Choose either roast turkey or sage, onion & cheese plait. Desserts will be chosen on the day: jelly & ice-cream or yule log.

Father Christmas will be visiting each class virtually this year during the week of 16th December.

Christmas Jumper Day 18th December. Children may wear a Christmas jumper on this day (this can also be a decorated jumper that you already have).

