

12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear parents/carers and children,

**Newsletter no 31**

This week we are immensely proud of all our year 6 children. They have worked so hard throughout the week completing their Key Stage 2 SATs. Each morning they have arrived well-rested and prepared for the challenge ahead. A huge thank you to everyone who has helped prepare and support them. Year 6 all thoroughly deserve their evening out later – enjoy bouncing!



Year 2 SATs are commencing next Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023. These are completed in school over the next couple of weeks. Thank you.

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### Coronation Competition

Well done to everyone who took part in the portrait competition. Mrs Stocker and School Council were extremely impressed with all the entries. A special well done to Darcey from Willow Class for her portrait of Charles III.

For anyone who hasn't seen the local paper, we made it to page 3 of the Chard and Ilminster News with our depiction of the Union flag. Well done all.

We have continued to celebrate art across the school this week with different projects.

### Y4 Art



### Y5

Hazel Class had a fantastic afternoon yesterday working on some collaborative art as part of their abstract art work. They focused on composition by creating movable shapes that they positioned on their canvases in discussion with one another.



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Today **Year 1** have been making blocks for ink printing. These are our results:



### **KS2 Craft Club**

Over the past two weeks KS2 Craft Club have been inspired by 'International Earth Day' and they have created Art using recyclable materials.



**Happy Somerset Day 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> May – please see link for activities:**

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

### **Y6 Pizza making next week**

Y6 will be making pizzas on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May. On Wednesday Mrs Hewitson will send home a food bag with each pupil. Please bring this back on Thursday with two toppings of their choice inside. Please also let us know of any allergies or intolerances by clicking this link:

<https://forms.gle/5A34zvZr5dixAh2M7>

### **Safeguarding:**

**Trauma training** – We are lucky to have secured a training session from the Virtual School, Somerset on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June. This session at school is for parents/carers from 3.45-4.45 pm and will give information about children who have been affected by incidents in their life – please sign up to attend here: <https://forms.gle/FDiENvMCEAV5qGVm6>

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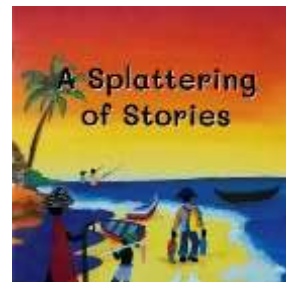
## Windrush Assembly

This afternoon we were joined by two representatives from the DfE who shared an assembly regarding the Windrush Generation. A few quotes from children in assembly:

**Jimmy:** all people are unique.

**Bethany:** The lady on the video reminded me about Rosa Park: a lady who stayed sitting down on the bus.

**Charlie B:** The lady talked about channelling her anger. I said if you play sports you will experience that and it will empower you to become better.



**Attendance: Y4 & 5 are the attendance winners this week! This week our attendance is 96.83%. Thank you to everyone for coming to school unless they have a high temperature or poorly with sickness and diarrhoea.**

**Late into school:** Any pupils arriving late at school need to be signed in at the office by parent/carers on arrival.

### Whole School Year to date attendance

Sessions	Sept 2022 to date	%
Attendances	53008	95.62
Authorised Absences	2111	
Unauthorised Absences	316	
Possible attendance	55435	
Lates	283	



## Celebrations



**TTRS – Y3 Well done!**

### Platinum Bags

**Y4: William, Isabelle, Megan, Harley, Alaska, Paige, Faith & Leila** for mark-making and observation pencil work.

**Y5: Kai R, Ruby B, Abi, Billy, Erin:** for excellent, clear line graphs. **Kai G** for fantastic effort with presentation in writing.

### Behaviour for Learning Celebrations:

**Acorn Class: Jacob** for making the right choices. **Elliott** for making relationships with his peers.

**Oak Class: Alfie** for always being motivated and engaged with his learning. He has written some super descriptive pieces about our class book 'look up'. **Reggie** for taking responsibility for his learning and joining in with his class tasks

**Beech Class: Tate** for coming to school every morning with a smile on his face. **Ava** for starting her morning tasks straight away every morning.

**Willow Class: Alice** for being a team player in and out of the classroom – looking after others! **Elliott** for working super hard in Maths to become not only a confident communicator, but a confident mathematician!

**Hawthorn Class: Harley** for singing a song in French in front of everyone, you are braver than me!

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**Hazel Class: Dylan** being a team player, and helpful and caring classmate and friend. **Erin** being a risk-taker who will have a go at everything with a positive attitude.

**Yew Class: All of year 6** for being fabulous this week and working so hard with their SATs tests – Mrs Hewitson is very proud!

**All of the adults** who supported Year 6 with week, thank you!

### Sporting Spirits

					
<b>Kai - Y5</b>	<b>Monty Y6</b>	<b>Isabella Y5</b>	<b>Georgie Y3</b>	<b>Amelia Y6</b>	<b>Amjed Y3</b>

### Vacancies:

#### Lunch time supervisor position

6.25 hrs per week (1.25 hrs per day 12:45-14.00, Monday to Friday). Term time only (38 weeks per year). We are looking for a reliable, conscientious person, able to be flexible and work as part of a team to assist with the supervision of students during the daily lunch break. A job description and information on the school can be accessed from our website

<https://www.tatworth.somerset.sch.uk/about-us/vacancies/>

Kind regards



Tracey Hart, Headteacher

### Attachments:

#### Forde Abbey Junior Race

### Reminders:

#### School menu amendment

Just to let you know there is an amendment to our menu which will commence from the week beginning 15/5 - the Chicken Fillet wrap will now formally be known as our Coronation Chicken Wrap in honour of our new King, amended allergen sheet to follow. (we are unable to update parentpay as the menu is fixed for the term).

#### Y6 Holyrood Summer School

All year 6 children are invited to take part in the Holyrood Summer school from 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> August. Over the last three years, the BIG STEP programme has proved to be a successful way to help year 6 students feel confident and familiar with the Holyrood setting ahead of their start in September. If you would like more information on this please follow the following link: <https://thebigstep.org> or go to the transition page on the Holyrood website ( Parents/ Transition) to find out more.

#### Phonics Book Amnesty

We are running short of our phonics books, so please do send these in if you have any home. Thank you.

**Cycling to/from school.** Please ensure that bikes are wheeled into school and not ridden on the path. Also, at the end of the day they should be wheeled out of school until meeting with parents.

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### **Rocksteady Bands**

Ryan from Rocksteady is offering a free taster session to any pupils who would like to try a session. Please email [office@tatworthschool.co.uk](mailto:office@tatworthschool.co.uk) if interested. Children will be slotted in before the end of term for a taster.

### **Free School Meals**

With family/financial circumstances forever changing at the moment, please access the FSM application through the link below. It is easy to complete and will identify whether you are able to access them reasonably quickly.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/free-school-meals/>

If you have recently become unemployed but are still receiving Working Tax Credits, you may be entitled to free school meals. Please phone 0300 123 2224 for advice.

### **Dates:**

**Celebration assembly** each Friday for anyone able to join us. Please enter school through the front office gate at 11.45 am and sign in at the office. It would be lovely to see more parents each week. Following on from Parent Forum, once a month we will hold the assembly in the afternoon.

**Class group 'Vista' photos for Reception and Year 6: 16<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Y4 Visit to Bristol Museum & Art Gallery – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May.**

We are aiming to leave after registration at 9am so please make sure children arrive to school with plenty of time to go to the toilet and get themselves ready for the coach. We should be arriving back to school by 3:30pm so please collect your child as normal.

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May: Inset day.**

**Book Worms Club** - A reminder that on Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes we run 'Book Worms' club in the Library. This is a great opportunity for your child to read with an older child or adult. Children can go to the library from 1.15 - 1.45 pm.

**Trauma training – 5<sup>th</sup> June** - parent/carer session 3.45-4.45pm delivered by Virtual School – please sign up to attend here: <https://forms.gle/FDiENvMCEAV5qGVm6>

**Wellbeing week W/c 19<sup>th</sup> June**

**Summer Fair – 16<sup>th</sup> June**

### **Sports Day**

Our Sports Day will be on Thursday 22nd June 2023. There will be three separate events and parents/carers and younger pre-school siblings are welcome to join us on the school field during their children's races. All parents and carers are asked to enter the school field through the bottom field gate and sign in. Picnic blankets and chairs should be brought to sit on, as all families will be asked to sit in a designated area to the side of the races.

- 9 am – 10.30 am Reception children and Years 1 and 2
- 11.15 am – 12.30 pm Years 3 and 4
- 2.15 pm – 3.30 pm Years 5 and 6

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At the end of each session, we ask that all parents and carers leave the school field via the bottom field gate as the rest of the school will be on the field for play time and lunch time. The gates will be re-opened at the start of each Sports Day session, at designated times. **All parents and carers need to access Sports Day via the bottom field gate and sign in.** Thank you.

The children will run in their houses: Joslin (red), Brewer (blue), Stonham (yellow) and Langdon (green) and we encourage them to wear a t-shirt to school on this day in their house colour, along with their black PE kit shorts.

### **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Y6 Visit to Clip & Climb**

We will be leaving school at 10 am, have an hour and a half climbing session at Clip & Climb and will return to school by 3 pm. All children need to bring a packed lunch and two drinks (not fizzy) – one for their lunch and one for the activity. Due to the trip being on a Monday we are unable to provide packed lunches.

### **Residential Visits**

- **Y3/4 Magdalen Residential 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – for present Y2/3 children. – details to follow soon.**

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