



Dear parents/carers and children,

28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## Newsletter no 26

After what seems like no time at all, the last week of term sneaked up on us and we are now on our final day of the Spring term. We have finished with a fabulous final assembly, sharing our 'Poetry Aloud' to practice our oracy skills, celebrating fantastic development of DT across all the classes this term and finishing by singing together. Thank you to all who managed to join us.

May I take this opportunity to thank everybody for all your support this term and to those that have volunteered to come in and work with the children. Thank you also to the governors who joined us last Friday - report to parents attached - for being a dedicated bunch.

We also share the exciting news that Mrs Gyuris has had her baby: a little boy. He was born on Tuesday morning at 11:18am and has been named, Jonah James Norman Gyuris. Best wishes to Mr and Mrs Gyuris, Jonah and Otto, his big brother.



During our final assembly of the Spring Term, every class recited a poem that they had learnt by heart. All of the parents and carers who attended enjoyed watching the performances which ranged from our youngest children recited 'Each Peach Pear Plum', all the way to our oldest children who had learnt 'Macavity the Mystery Cat' by TS Eliot.



Year 3 were very excited to be visited today by Open the Book who performed the Easter Story along with volunteers from the class. They finished the visit with a happy gospel song to celebrate Jesus arising from the tomb.



### New iPad cases

Thank you to Targus for the amazing THZ852GL iPad cases! Our children were very excited to be able to use their new iPads with their swish new cases. They have already been used lots by all classes. This is the company and cases we received: <https://uk.targus.com/pages/search-results?q=852>



### Adults Maths Sessions

Thank you to those who have signed up for the workshops, we now have enough for it to go ahead and the first session is on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> at school. If you are still interested please sign up here <https://forms.gle/7wwKsj2k2AhoT2pv9> It is not necessary to attend all the sessions. Please talk to me if you are struggling with childcare for the sessions as we will see what we can do.

The sessions at Tatworth are: \* Tuesday 16th April: 3pm-5pm \* Tuesday 23rd April: 3pm-5pm \* Tuesday 30th April: 3pm-5pm \* Tuesday 7th May: 3pm -5pm & Tuesday 14th May: 3pm – 5pm.



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## Guinea Pigs

After a long and complicated system, the retired school council have named our two guinea pigs. It is amazing how quickly they have got used to listening to all the humdrum of the library. Welcome, 'Cookie and Snowball' to our Tatworth community!



## Safeguarding:

- Please find attached a flyer from **National Online Safety: What parents and carers need to know about clickbait**.
- Please find attached information about **free breakfast** over the Easter break.
- **Dogs**. Please can I remind parents and carers that **dogs are not allowed on the school site**. Please may I also ask that dogs are not tied up on the school railings by gate entrances at the start and end of the day. Finally, we appreciate how lovely it is to see the children playing at break times but there was a recent incident with a dog poking its head through the railings. Thank you for support.

## Self-Harm Awareness Training – we have been asked to share this information with you.

Harmless have released new dates for their Self Harm Awareness Training. Details are below.

There are separate dates for Parents, Carers and Family Members and School College & Education Staff, Frontline Practitioners, VCFSE organisations and community workers.

### Self-Harm Training session for Parents, Carers, Family members

Thursday 9th May AM - 9.30am – 11am

[FREE Somerset - Self Harm Awareness Training Tickets, Thu 9 May 2024 at 09:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Monday 1st July PM - 3.30pm – 5pm

[FREE Somerset - Self Harm Awareness Training Tickets, Mon 1 Jul 2024 at 15:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Friday 16th August AM - 9.30am – 11am

[FREE Somerset - Self Harm Awareness Training Tickets, Fri 16 Aug 2024 at 09:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Somerset Council are working with Harmless to offer free online training for people who want to understand about self-injury.

## Attendance

### 100% attendance monthly award

This March, 131 children attended school with 100% attendance and each received a special certificate in their class. Thank you for your efforts to keep children in school unless they have a temperature above 38 °C or they are too ill to attend.



Yew Class are the attendance winners this week with 99.07%. Well done!

Our whole school percentage this week is 95.79% (expected 96% target).



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Sessions YTD	to date	%
Attendances	47703	96.41
Authorised Absences	1500	
Unauthorised Absences	274	
Possible attendance	49477	
Lates	361	

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

## Celebrations!

### Behaviour letters

I am delighted to tell you that **147 children** received letters today to commend their good behaviour this term – Well done!

### Behaviour for Learning Certificates:

**Acorn Class:** **Everly** for showing a positive attitude – she quickly settles to a task in the morning and enjoys being with her friends. **Albie** for respect, he is very kind and always helps his friends.

**Zack** for being motivated and engaged in phonics – he works hard at school and at home.

**Oak Class:** **Rosie** for working hard to be motivated and engaged all week! **Harry** for his fabulous writing progress. He could have a certificate every week!

**Beech Class:** **Theo** for aiming high with his problem solving in DT. Theo came to a great solution during an issue with his vehicle. **Rosa** for being a fantastic team player and confident communicator. Rosa is able to help guide her group to the right answers.

**Willow Class:** **Rowan** for being quietly conscientious – ALWAYS taking pride in his work and following the next steps in his learning. **Emma** for always persevering in all subjects and enjoying challenges and extension activities.

**Hawthorn Class:** **Elliot** for being a year 4 'team player' this term, always helpful and reliable.

**Darcie** for super engagement and effort when writing her historical story. **Joel** for his listening skills and aiming high in maths this week.

**Hazel Class:** **Luca** for his improved confidence in his abilities and for keeping going in every lesson!

**Edward** for being a team player in maths this week and supporting his table during group work

**Yew Class:** **Sophia** for keeping going in maths – persevering even when she is finding something difficult. **Libby** for always having a positive attitude and persevering to reach the next level in reading plus.

### Handwriting Pens

Year 3: Rowan.

Year 4: Lola

Year 5: Verity.

Year 6: Sophia, Lilly H, Libby & Ruby H.



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### Platinum Bag

Year 2: Theo, Lauren, Millie W & Rosa for DT vehicles.

Year 4: Alice, Alex, Arti & Ariel for pneumatic Olympic mascot in DT work.

### Bookworms

Year 3: Isobel & Clara.

### Sporting Spirits

The six values of passion, belief, respect, honesty, determination and teamwork were developed by young people to identify what the experience of school sport should be built around.



Congratulations to the following Gold Card winners:

Y3: Isabella & Fergus.

Y5: Verity & Paige.

					
Megan Y5	Dylan Y6	Leon Y5	Isabella Y6	Kailin Y5	Harley Y5

### Summer Term

Our Summer uniform can be a combination of green checked dresses, grey/black pinafores, skirts, & shorts. Let's hope the weather is kinder and we can move to Summer Uniform soon.

Summer Term clubs are now live on parentpay, please find attached the list of clubs available.

We break today for the Easter holidays and return to school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April, we hope everyone has a restful break.

Kind regards,



Tracey Hart, Headteacher.

### Attachments:

Summer Term Club List

NOS: What parents and carers need to know about clickbait

Sporting Chance Holiday Club Link to book <https://www.sportingchance-sw.co.uk/events/tag/easter-holiday-courses>

Holiday Breakfast Scheme

Messy Good Friday Wild Church Flyer

Somerscience 24 Brochure & Festival flyer

Face Newsletter & Kids not in school flyer



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## Reminders:

### Bikeability / helpers

Reminder that we hope to offer bikeability sessions next term for Y6 on 20 – 21 May and 4 – 6 June. For these sessions to run, **we need at least one 'helper' to be in attendance each day, which can be parents or friends of the school community.** Helpers will require a bicycle and helmet in the afternoon of day 1 onwards to be able to cycle on the highway with the group. **Please email the office asap** if you can help us, even if it is for half a day. **Please return consent forms asap as places are limited to 24.**

### Extended Services

Just a reminder for parents of children attending our extended services sessions: Breakfast club, and sessions 1 and 2 of Stay and Play must be booked in on parentpay in advance of the sessions. We are finding increasing numbers arriving not on the registers. We do need to know numbers in advance to ensure we have adequate staffing levels and food for breakfast and snacks. In addition, if your child is needing to join session 2, after attending a club first session, please only book into the first session of stay and play. Staff will then collect them at the end of clubs.

### Uniform

The link to the ordering portal is now live and can be accessed through the following link:

<https://www.pbuni-form-online.co.uk/tatworth> Please check residual school stock with the [office by email](mailto:office@tatworthschool.co.uk) before placing any orders as we will be selling off our stock at the present prices. Deliveries will be made to Tatworth on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mon of each month.

**Celebration assembly** is held weekly each Friday at 11.45am except for the first Friday of the month when it is at 2.55pm. All are welcome! As we are not at school at the beginning of April, the next afternoon assembly will be on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

### Free School Meals

We encourage all families to check their entitlement to free school meals. We have been told by County that any existing PP applications will not be rechecked until March 2025, so changes in circumstances will not be picked up until then. We also have a PP offer for or all children who are benefit-related FSM. Please click on the link below to access the application.

<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:

Wed-Fri 17th-19th April

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April

Monday 29th April

20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May

4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> June

Y5 Residential

Wellbeing Action Group Meeting

Y2 Visit to Sea life Weymouth

Space Odyssey Voyager Dome

Y6 Bikeability

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17-19<sup>th</sup> June  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Wellbeing Week  
Sports day  
Tempest in for Reception and Y6 Class photos

#### Residential Visits

Y5 residential Wed-Fri 17<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> April 2024 – for three days and two nights

Residential Payment schedule reminder: 8 December: £18 (deposit); 5th January: £20; 26th Jan: £20; 9th Feb: £20; 23rd Feb: £20; 8th March: £20; 22nd March: £20. Then the final £50 to be paid by 12<sup>th</sup> April. Please return medical forms by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024.



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