



Weekly Bulletin

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday one and all!

We were very excited to welcome our **drama specialist** Lou Grey this Wednesday. She will be with us every Wednesday working on oracy and confidence this half term. She will build to directing a whole school performance at Christmas that we are already excited about. I have worked with her before and she has been responsible for many amazing performances and Mid-Somerset Cup victories. There are still plenty of spaces in her after school club (Years 2, 3 and 4) at £6.60 per session - building to enter this prestigious competition in Bath. Do sign your child up if they have interest in the performing arts, public speaking or want to build confidence.

Please be mindful of other people and safety when **parking**. We have a very efficient system with stop and drop in the morning and I thank you for your continued participation in this. The Farmer's Gate car park is for staff and disabled badge holders only. The vast majority of pedestrians use this entrance, please do not drive down here at busy times as it is dangerous. Thank you for your co-operation.

Rock Steady has started with bang. The various bands we now have are fully invested and we cannot wait to perform for you at Christmas - which is already proving to be a busy time. Lots of dates to follow.

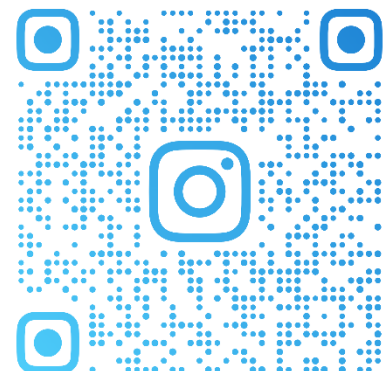
Our Green Planet was our school-wide inquiry this term. The children are already having lots of fun exploring this topic and it is great to see them engaging with this vitally important topic.

Staffing News – Mrs. Rossi will be leaving Weare Academy at the end of this term after 15 years of dedicated service. She has been a valued member of our community, making a lasting impact on both students and staff. I'm sure you will join me in wishing her all the best for the future—she will be greatly missed.

Have a great weekend and we thank you for your continued support.

Oliver Laken

Don't forget to follow us
on social media:



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Wrap Around Care – After school

Book online: <https://www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk/clubs-activities/>



Child Care at Weare Academy
After School

CLUB ACTIVITIES
Monday - Outdoor Games
Tuesday - Craft Day
Wednesday - Free Choice
Thursday - Movie Day
Friday - Dodgeball

With Care Lead Reece

Monday to Friday
3.30pm - 5.30pm = £11.00
3.30pm - 4.30pm = £6.00
4.30pm - 5.30pm = £6.00

Ofsted Registered

Wrap Around After School Care

Snack Included

FUTURE STARS
COACHING
A MULTI AWARD-WINNING SPORTS & CARE ORGANISATION

★ Pay with Childcare Vouchers
★ Pay via HMRC Tax Free Childcare
★ Book online www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk

Afterschool Clubs

Clubs are now available to book.

Club	Coach	Years	Dates	No. of Sessions	Total Cost
Forest School Please book direct	Forest School	Year 1,2,3 & 4	Tuesday First Session 16 th September Last Session 21 st October	6	£30.00 (£5 per session)
Drama Please book via My Child At School	Drama	Year 3 & 4	Wednesday First Session 17 th September Last Session 12 th December	12	£79.20 (£6.60 per session)
Sports Club Please book via My Child At School	PE Coaches	Year Reception, 1, 2,3 & 4	Thursday First Session 18 th September Last Session 23 rd October	6	£30.00 (£5 per session)

Useful Information

Key Dates

Year 4 swimming
WEDNESDAY

Please remember to access MCAS and pay balance by the end of term.

Please note there will no swimming lesson on the 8th Oct, instead there will be an extra session on the 3rd December
Thank you

Absent Line

Please phone 01934 732270 (option 1) before 9.15 on the day to advise the reason why your child will not be attending school.

Please **do not** send a DOJO message or Email. Thankyou. You will need to call this number every day until your child has returned to school unless previously agreed by the Headteacher.



Food in School

Please note we are a **Nut Free** and **Pink-Fleshed Fish, Crustaceans, Seafood** and any **Non-White Fleshed Fish** School. **OR ANY ITEMS THAT 'MAY CONTAIN TRACES OF' ANY OF THE ABOVE, INCLUDING ITEMS CONTAINING FISH OIL EG SOME SOY SAUCES ETC**

Please do not include any of these items as a snack or in a packed lunch.



Wrap Around Care

Future Stars system, please book via this link: [Clubs / Activities - Future Stars Coaching](#)

Afterschool Clubs

Available to book through MCAS

Change of menu

Please note salmon fishcakes will be replaced by cod fishcakes. Also, Reception, Year 1 & 2 can only choose a main meal, vegetarian meal or jacket potato.

WRAP AROUND CARE

Please note that there has been a change to the drop-off and collection point for Wrap Around Care.

From now on, please use the main entrance gate located in the car park when dropping off or collecting your child.

Upon arrival:

Use the intercom system at the gate. Press the arrow button to scroll through the options.

Select 'After School Club' to alert staff.
Thank you for your cooperation.

Rainbow Woods

If you require, any information please contact Lana on 01934 733413

Meals

Please note that the school office will no longer be able to book meals on the day.

If a meal has not been booked in advance, you will need to send your child with a packed lunch from home. Unfortunately, we are unable to make any exceptions to this policy.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Oliver Laken

Deputy Designated Leads (DDSL): Heather Cooke, Lana Whittaker, Lisa Woollon **Safeguarding Governor:** Martin Horton

As parents, you can contact support agencies directly on:

NSPCC: 0808 800 5000 **Somerset Direct:** 0300 123 2224 **NSPCC:** Keeping children safe online Please visit the SSCP safeguarding website link for regular updates on safeguarding: <https://somersetsafeguardingchildren.org.uk/>



Somerset Safeguarding
Children Partnership

Parent Communications



A Friendly Reminder



The Best Way to Reach Us

If you have questions, concerns, or just want to talk something through, please **contact the school directly**. We're always happy to help and are committed to working with you to support your child's wellbeing and learning.



About WhatsApp & Social Media

- ✓ Great for general parent-to-parent chats
- ✗ Not appropriate for sensitive or school-related matters

Posts and messages may not stay private and can easily spread more widely



Online Responsibility

When posting or commenting online, please ask yourself:

- Is this accurate?
- Is this necessary?
- Is this respectful and in line with our school's inclusive values?

! Please note: Sharing false or harmful information online may have legal consequences.



Thank You We truly appreciate your support in helping us maintain a positive, respectful, and safe



AFTER-SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB WITH LOU!

Starting next week,
join our exciting new

PERFORMING ARTS SESSIONS

- ★ Build confidence
- ★ Develop acting skills
- ★ Express your individuality

Prepare for the prestigious
Midsomerset Festival in Bath

12-WEEK PROGRAMME
£6.60 PER SESSION

**FUN, CREATIVITY, AND PERFORMANCE
GUARANTEED!**



Lou will also offer
private or small group
coaching for students
keen to enter individual
festival events

**NEW - YEAR 4 PUPILS HOSTING A
SWEET STALL & TATTOO STALL!!**



SCHOOL DISCO

**WE ARE ACADEMY
FIRST SCHOOL**

THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2025

PRE-SCHOOL & RECEPTION: 4PM-4.45PM
(PRE-SCHOOL AGE ONLY)

YR1 & YR2: 5.15PM-6PM

YR3 & 4: 6.30PM-7.15PM
(SILENT DISCO Y3/4 ONLY)

ADMISSION £6
(INCLUDES DRINKS)

HOW DO I BOOK MY CHILD A PLACE?

** WATCH THIS SPACE - MORE
DETAILS TO FOLLOW DUE TO
ISSUES WITH BROMCOM **

**WHAT WILL THE
PROFITS FUND?
TOWARDS YEAR 4
LEAVERS HOODIES**

Please note:

Details about drop off/pick up will be confirmed nearer the time.

You may be asked to sign your child out at the end of their D.I.S.C.O time slot!

NEW for 2025/2026

Clothing Recycling

We need your donations to raise funds for Weare Academy First School!

YES PLEASE:
Useable ladies/gents/childrens clothing, paired shoes, hats, handbags, accessories inc. jewellery and linen.

NO THANK YOU:
Ripped/torn/stained clothing, duvets, pillows, curtains or wet items!

FIND ME IN THE SCHOOL CAR PARK!

WEEKEND PERFORMING ARTS CLASSES.

From musical theatre, to comedy, drama and filmmaking – POA's project-based approach encourages learning by doing. In our classes, young people get hands on, creating their own content and learning industry skills, while having a blast!

WHAT TO EXPECT.

Classes for ages 6-18 are 3 hours long, with industry-expert teachers leading sessions in musical theatre, film and TV, comedy, and drama. We also offer 90-minute long classes for ages 4-6. **Best of all, we offer everyone a free session!**

BE YOURSELF BE AMAZING.

At POA, we build self-belief by encouraging young people to step out of their comfort zones, develop new skills, and be their amazing selves, in a supportive environment. Through experiencing all that the performing arts has to offer, young people can grow in to grounded, confident adults.

PQA WELLS
St Cuthberts Junior School, BASFES

BOOK YOUR FREE SESSION

pgacademy.com

PAULINE QUIRKE ACADEMY
OF PERFORMING ARTS

BE YOURSELF BE AMAZING

THE SPACE

PARENT & CARER

COFFEE & CHAT

HOSTED BY ONE OF OUR FRIENDLY, TRAINED MEMBERS OF THE TEAM, WE'RE INVITING ALL PARENTS AND CARERS TO JOIN US FOR A RELAXED COFFEE (ON US!) AND CHAT THIS SEPTEMBER:

- ☕ COFFEE @ THE HUB, CHEDDAR
- 🕒 9AM – 10.30AM
- 🧶 CRAFT ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS AVAILABLE!

DROP-IN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING DATES:

- WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER
- WEDNESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER
- WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

COME FOR SUPPORT, ADVICE, INFORMATION — OR JUST A FRIENDLY FACE AND A CUPPA.

NO NEED TO BOOK, JUST POP IN!

COFFEE @ THE HUB, 1-2 LOWER NORTH STREET, CHEDDAR, BS27 3HA (OPPOSITE TESCO EXPRESS)

St Andrew's skittles nights

Our first night will be on Friday 26th September @ Cheddar Football club 7pm.

St. Andrew's Church will be hosting the first of what we hope will be a new men's social event for the gents of St Andrew's, their friends and others in the Cheddar area. Our first bash at skittles (excuse the pun!) will be the first for most of us!

It should be a good time to meet up, chat over a beer or two and get to know each other a bit more. We're hoping that conversation will flow and we'll have a great time together. It might give us a chance to invite some friends, sons, brothers who haven't been to church in a while - not to overtly evangelise them, but to share community in a relaxed environment.

All men of all ages (teenagers and up) are VERY welcome, from church or not, and from Cheddar or beyond. We'd love your company

If you're interested and would like to come along please contact Tom at: emailtomhall@gmail.com or Bill Sims 0782 686 6395

or simply come along and give us a bash!

ABOUT US

This leaflet has been designed by the paediatric team in Somerset, aiming to improve access to inclusive sports. We want to encourage everyone to stay active, healthy, and have the same opportunities when it comes to health and exercise.

INCLUSIVE SPORTS IN SOMERSET



SCAN ME!



OUR VALUES:



1. Congregate Centres

- Offer a wide range of therapeutic horse riding activities.
- Address: Congregate Centre, Taunton, Somerset, TA2 6RN

2. Curragh Equitation

- A riding club that offers coaching for people with disabilities within their membership.
- Address: 100 Gwynn Cottage, Langford, Wiltshire, W12 2JH

3. Jump Start Therapy CIC

- Offer fun, interactive, classes for young children with disabilities and their siblings.
- Tuesdays at 10.5
- Address: Leigh-wood Mews, Radstock BA12 6JY

4. Taunton Tennis Club

- Host a wheelchair tennis programme including a free 2-hour session.
- Backcross Way, Taunton TA1 2JW

5. Wellington Ability Football Team

- A friendly Ability Football Team in Wellington.
- Sunday afternoon 2-4
- Address: Court Fields School, Marle St, Wellington TA11 6DW

Find a Club Near You!
Use the map on the next page to explore local sports clubs that welcome and support children with disabilities. (Click the club titles for the link to their website!)

6. Tilly Leisure Centre

- Disability sports classes available regularly.
- Check online timetable for timing.
- Address: Chilton St, Bridgwater, TA1 3JA

7. Somerset Disabled/Cricket Club

- Inclusive cricket sessions for all ages.
- Clubs on Mondays, Thursdays or Saturdays depending on time of year.
- Address: Cooper Association County Ground, 27 James St, Taunton TA1 8P

8. Taunton Gladiators Wheelchair Rugby

- Inclusive rugby wheelchair club.
- Daily Other Sessions at 10.30-12.00.
- Address: Bridgeway & Taunton College, 400 Wood, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA1 4T2

9. Hain Tigers Ability Football Club

- A non-disability football welcoming all from ages 6-99, 11 or with additional needs.
- Saturday morning 9am-10.30am
- Address: Richard Mann College, South Road, Dunstons TA1 3DZ

Further Useful Resources

SASP "GET ACTIVE TOGETHER"

- Offers opportunities for families with someone to take part in physical activities together.
- Sessions take place in the school holidays, outside of school settings, and are for children aged 5 - 10 years.

Somerset Council ParaSports

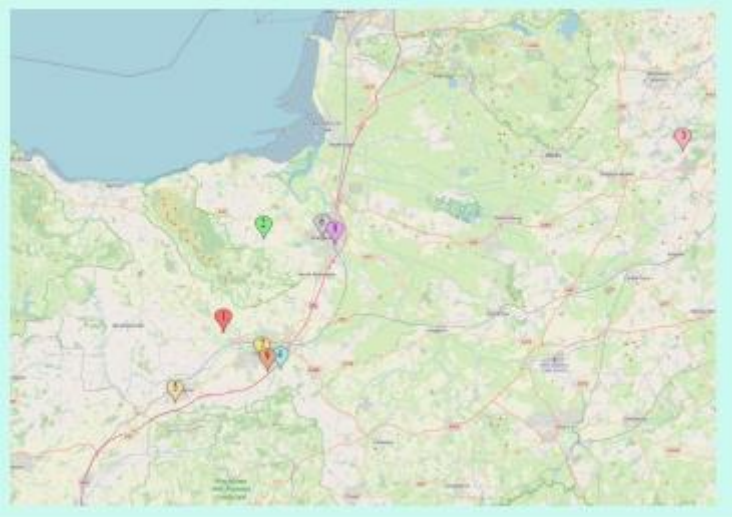
- Somerset Council supports a wide range of para-sports tailored specifically for individuals with physical and sensory disabilities.
- Use their website for further information on clubs and activities.

Newsports

- Somerset high-quality, inclusive sports programme for children and adults with disabilities across Somerset, Bath, Bristol, and Dorset.
- Activities include: Wheelchair basketball, powerchair football, tennis, netball and many more.

Inspire Bristol

- Aims to increase participation of disabled people in sports and physical activity across Bristol.



YMCA YOUTH CLUBS

- **Taunton:** Lisleux Way, Taunton TA12LB
- **Yeovil Youth Clubs:** Detached work is being carried out around the town
- **Street Youth Club:** Street Young People's Centre, Strode Road, Street, BA16 0AS
- **Glastonbury Windmill Hill Youth Club:** Windmill Hill Youth Club, St Edmund's Hall, BA6 8EG
- **Shepton Mallet Youth Club:** Returning soon in a new location
- **Frome Youth Club:** Frome Youth & Community Centre (FYCC), Vallis Road, Frome BA11 3EF
- **YMCA Dulverton Group:** The George Williams Centre, Friam Ave, Bridgwater TA6 3RF
- **YMCA Weston-super-Mare:** 2 Bristol Rd Lower, Weston-super-Mare BS23 2PN

ROCK STEADY

ROCK AND POP BAND LESSONS!



- IGNITE THEIR SELF-BELIEF**
- ✔ Children learn to play an instrument in their very own band.
 - ✔ Fun and inclusive in-school band lessons. No music theory involved.
 - ✔ Follow their musical journey in your Backstage account.
 - ✔ Exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification.
 - ✔ Instruments provided and no experience necessary.

BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE ONLINE



0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 8am-6pm, Fri 8am-6pm, local rate) rocksteadymusicschool.com

ROCK STEADY



LEARN TO PLAY MUSIC IN A BAND THAT'S FOR EVERYONE.

Choose from: Keyboard, guitar, bass, drums or vocals.

- Inclusive and hassle-free!**
Takes place in school, instruments provided and no experience necessary!
- Have fun and learn by playing**
Children work their way through a curriculum of up to 300 musical skills.
- Taught by professional musicians**
Rocksteady band leaders are highly trained musicians who make learning music fun.
- Much more than music**
Improves wellbeing, confidence, social skills and academic achievement.
- Progress at their own pace**
Your child can achieve an exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification!
- End every term on a high note**
Watch your child shine as they perform in their end of term concerts.

"Her confidence has grown so much. It has helped her in all aspects of her life."
Louise

"My son actually wants to go to school on his Rocksteady days. It has given him an alternative to academic learning."
Michelle

"I've seen him flourish socially and have friends across the year group."
Baski

244.68 per month (no payment in August)
Money back guarantee for the first month. Cancel at any time.

START THEIR MUSICAL JOURNEY



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info@rocksteadymusicschool.com

