



Weekly Bulletin

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Although the weather might have tried, nothing could dampen our spirits today for our wonderful Harvest Festival. A huge thank you to all parents/carers who helped walk us there and back safely. It was great to see so many of you there celebrating with us. You asked for us to forge closer links with Gary and his team at St. Gregory's and we are really enjoying the increased visits to church.

From religion to politics. We were grateful to have local MP Tessa Munt visiting to launch our pupil council elections. She also took the time to talk to year 3 about their recent trip to London and promised to respond to any shared letters they have written about the environment. Apparently, she may have lots of work ahead of her answering 28 letters about tree planting!

Which leads us nicely to Forest School. As a rural and manually skilled community, we hope you can help us develop this area. The leaders have asked for donations as phase one. We will be asking for more labour soon!

List for donations:

- Tyres
- Pallets
- Cable reels
- Pots and pans
- Old utensils
- Dry wood for fires
- Pipes
- Guttering
- Ropes
- Trellises
- Digging tools- trowels, forks, spades

We thank you for your continued support.

Many thanks,

Oliver Laken

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

Snack Included

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

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

Reception - In school workshop
Tuesday 14th Oct

Year 1 & 2 Trip – Friday 17th Oct

Year 4 Trip - Tuesday 21st Oct

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](#)

Scholastic Book Fair

24th November-1st December
Watch this space, for more information

Drama Club

Open to Year 3 & 4 only
Wednesday lunch time
Please sign up via MCAS

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 Pre-School

If you require, any information please contact us on 01934 733413 or email

rainbow-woods@weareacademy.co.uk

Many thanks,
Lana, Lisa, Baishali, Kirsty and Nikki

Meals

If your child is going on a school trip, please book a main meal on MCAS.

Then send a DOJO message to the office advising their choice.

Ham, Cheese or Tuna.

Thank you

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: 0800 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/>

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



All welcome!



OPEN EVENING

**WEDNESDAY
8TH OCTOBER 2025**



6pm for families from Axbridge, Shipham, Draycott & Rodney Stoke, First Schools

6.30pm for families from Cheddar 1st First School & any other families who are thinking of joining us

**Come along and meet our fantastic team and hear about our passion for learning.
Our staff and pupils look forward to welcoming you.**



**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, BA5 7TS

BOOK YOUR FREE SESSION

pgacademy.com

PAULINE QUIRKE ACADEMY
OF PERFORMING ARTS
BE YOURSELF BE AMAZING

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:

- CREATIVITY
- KINDNESS
- EXPLORATION
- GROWTH



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!)

- 1. Congresant Centre**
 - Offers a wide range of therapeutic horse riding activities
 - Address: Congresant Centre, Congresant, North Somerset, Taunton, Somerset, TA2 6RN
- 2. Congresant Equitation**
 - Offers fun equitation lessons for people with disabilities within their membership scheme
 - Address: 100 Llangynges, Congresant, Somerset, TA2 6RN
- 3. Jump Start Therapy CIC**
 - Offer fun equitation classes for young children with disabilities and their siblings
 - Address: 100 Llangynges, Congresant, Somerset, TA2 6RN
- 4. Taunton Youth Club**
 - Host a wheelchair tennis programme including a free 2-hour session
 - Blackstock Way, Taunton TA1 2JF
- 5. Wellington Ability Football Team**
 - A friendly Ability Football Team in Wellington
 - Sunday afternoons 2-4
 - Address: Court Gate School, Marle St, Wellington TA21 6JW
- 6. Tilly Leisure Centre**
 - Disability tennis classes available regularly
 - Check online timetable for times
 - Address: Chilton St, Bridgwater, TA8 3JH
- 7. Somerset Disabled Cricket Club**
 - Includes cricket sessions for all ages
 - Clubs on Mondays, Thursdays & Saturdays depending on times of year
 - Address: Crapper Association County Ground, 27 James St, Taunton TA1 3JF
- 8. Taunton Gladiators Wheelchair Rugby**
 - An inclusive rugby wheelchair club
 - Early Club Starts at 11:30-15:00
 - Address: @Bridgwater & Taunton College, and West, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 4JZ
- 9. Haste Tigers Ability Football Club**
 - A fun disability football welcoming all boys and girls aged 10 with additional needs
 - Saturday morning 10am-12:30pm
 - Address: Richard Mann Lodge, South Road, Taunton TA7 3JZ

Further Useful Resources

- SASP "GET ACTIVE TOGETHER"**
 - Offers opportunities for families within Somerset to take part in physical activities together
 - Sessions take place in the school holidays, across different 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
- ParaSports**
 - Offers high-quality inclusive sports programmes 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:** Lisieux 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, Friem 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-5pm, Fri 8am-5pm, 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."
Becky

£14.58 per month (no payment in August)
Money back guarantee for the first month. Cancel at any time.

START THEIR MUSICAL JOURNEY



0330 113 0330
(Mon-Thurs 8am-5pm, Fri 8am-5pm, local rate)
info@rocksteadymusicschool.com

TRINITY
MUSIC SCHOOL
OF QUALIFICATION

TUESDAY 28TH - FRIDAY 31ST

OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMPS

£20 PER DAY
EARLY DROP OFF £5



All abilities welcome!

Fun and professional sessions full of games, technical coaching and match play. 9am-12pm with early drop off option of 8am at Winscombe Tennis Club

Scan the QR code or contact Dominic at winscombetenniscubcoaching@outlook.com to book your slot



STREET BEATS

NEW YOUNG DRUMMING GROUPS - TAUNTON!

Are you under 18 and have a passion for drumming?
Or maybe you're just curious and want to try something new?

Whether you're a seasoned drummer or have just started out, the new youth drumming project, Street Beats, is your chance to unleash your rhythm and be part of something truly exciting. Free but please sign up for the session.



Oct 1, 15, 29 | Nov 12, 26 | Dec 10

5pm - 6:30pm


Taunton Riverside Church, Hamilton Road, Taunton TAI 2EQ



To book contact Tim at tim@thesoundofthestreets.com or come along to the first session, thesoundofthestreets.com

[@thesoundofthestreets](https://www.instagram.com/thesoundofthestreets)





HOLIDAY CLUBS

Ran by Kings Fitness & Leisure



FROM **£23** PER PERSON

GAMES | ARTS & CRAFTS | SWIM

VISIT OUR JUNIOR ACTIVITIES PAGE HERE: 

AGES 5-13

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT US AT <https://www.kingsfitness.co.uk>
OR GIVE US A CALL AT 01934 744939





WEDMORE HOLIDAY CLUB

For ages 5-13 years, from £23* per day, 9.00am-4.00pm, at Wedmore First School grounds

In the winter, have fun doing outdoor adventure activities in the forest school grounds, and enjoy our outdoor swimming pool in the summer!**

Enjoy a jam packed day of playing games, sports, and arts and crafts!

Bring packed lunch, snacks, refillable drinks bottle, outdoor adventure clothing, and weather dependant items (sun cream, waterproofs etc).




Visit our Junior Activities Page here: 

Contact Kings Fitness & Leisure at 01934 744939 to sign up NOW!

*£23 if booked 3 weeks in advance, otherwise £25 per day
**This is a seasonal, weather dependant activity





WHAT'S ON THIS OCTOBER AT THE WELLBEING BLEND

☺ COFFEE @ THE HUB, 1-2 LOWER NORTH STREET, CHEDDAR, BS27 3HA
☺ THEWELLBEINGBLEND@THESPACE SOMERSET.ORG.UK

TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	SUNDAYS
7TH 11AM-1PM PFSA ONE TEAM NETWORKING EVENT	8TH, 15TH, 22ND, 29TH 1PM-3:30PM POSTNATAL GROUP - MARGARET MATERNITY	EVERY THURSDAY 6:30PM-8:30PM YOUTH CAFE AGES 10-19	12TH 10AM-12PM SLOW STITCHING WORKSHOP
21ST 10AM-12PM SOMERSET PARENT CARER FORUM	15TH 9:30AM-12:30PM SOMERSET PARENT CARER FORUM	16TH 1:30PM-3PM SEPARATED PARENTING CAFE	26TH 10AM-2PM RE-LOVED CLOTHING SALE
21ST 7PM-8:30PM MENOPAUSE CIRCLE	EVERY WEDNESDAY 10AM-11.30 PARENT & CARER, COFFEE & CHAT	YOUTH CLUB: SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER	

***YOUTH CAFE:**

THURSDAY 2ND DJ SET
THURSDAY 9TH CHILL SESSION
THURSDAY 16TH RADICAL PRIEST
THURSDAY 23RD CHILL SESSION
THURSDAY 30TH MANDELA (HALLOWEEN THEME DRESS UP OPTIONAL)

HALF TERM ACTIVITY

27TH
12:30AM-2:30PM
CONACTIVE IN CHEDDAR HOODS
HALLOWEEN THEMED ACTIVITIES
BOOKING REQUIRED WITH LIMITED SPACES
£10 PP | AGES 8-15

YOUTH CLUB: SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER

TUESDAY 7TH OJLS ONE HOUR ENLIGHTENMENT JOINING US WITH THEIR DJ'S	TUESDAY 14TH POTTERY CREATIONS TEACHING OUR CREATORS TO MAKE MONEY FOR YOUR CLUB AND PRESENTS TO GET!
TUESDAY 21ST WHO AM I? WE'LL TALK ABOUT WHO WE ARE AS PEOPLE, OUR VALUES, THOUGHTS & IDEAS!	TUESDAY 28TH HALLOWEEN PARTY PARTY NIGHT WITH GAMES & TRICKY DRESS!

BOOKING REQUIRED



HELD AT CHEDDAR METHODIST CHURCH | 6:30-8:30PM | EVERY TUESDAY