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Dear Parents and Carers

Applications for Secondary School and Reception for 2026

The Admissions Team at Somerset Council have asked to bring the following to the attention of all parents applying for school places for Secondary or Primary Schools from September 26.

When applying, you should make 3 selections in order of preference and include your catchment school. A number of parents did not make three selections or include their catchment schools this year which made the whole process very difficult and increased the risk of not being offered a place.

Important-Admissions Process 2025/2026

This year due to budgetary constraints, Somerset County Council will NOT be sending out letters to parents of children due to start school in September 2026 or due to transfer to secondary school at the end of the Summer Term 2026. The portal to apply for places is now open.

The deadline for applications for Secondary places is 31st October 2025.

The deadline for applications for Primary School from Sept 2026 is 15th January 2026.

The web pages and primary and secondary admission guides for the 2025 admissions process will be updated from early September and can be found at the following website:-

[Applying for school \(somerset.gov.uk\)](http://somerset.gov.uk)

Parents/carers are advised to read the information thoroughly before making an online application. It is a parent's responsibility to make an application by the closing date.

Parent information is also available on the Somerset County Council Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/SomersetSchoolAdmissions/>



Year 3 Indoor Athletics Festival

This will take place at Court Fields from 9.30am to midday on **Wednesday 15th October**. Year 3 should come to school dressed in their sports kit with plenty to drink. The minibus will depart school at 9.05am sharp and will return to school in time for lunch.

Swimming .



Class 3 will finish this half term of swimming this **Friday 17th October**. After October half term, Class 2 will swim. Class 3 parents who have not yet made payment on Parentpay, please check your accounts now or speak to Mrs Adams if you need assistance with this.

Bag2School Collection

The Bag2School collection was rescheduled and will now take place on the morning of this **Friday 17th October**.

Funds raised are for the benefit of the Friends of Stawley School. Collection bags will be sent home in book bags today. They will collect clothes, bags, paired shoes, hats, scarves, ties, curtains, towels and soft toys. They do not accept uniforms, damaged clothing, duvets, blankets or pillows. You can also bring in donations in black refuse bags. **All bags must be in school by 9am on the day of collection.**



Class 3 visit to Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter



On **Tuesday 21st October**, Class 3 will visit the Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter as part of their topic on the Romans. The children should come to school dressed in smart school uniform with suitable shoes and a coat. They will also need to bring a packed lunch with snacks and plenty to drink in a small backpack. Class 3 parents should not order a hot meal for this day.

The coach will leave Stawley at **9.05am sharp** and is expected to return to school by 3pm for normal pickup time.

The cost of this visit has been met from school curriculum enrichment funds.

Years 5/6 Girls T1 Rugby Friendly

This will take place on **Thursday 23rd October** at Taunton Rugby Club from 3.50-5.30pm. Mr Stirzaker will let the children know who is playing- please speak to him about transport.

INSET/Half Term

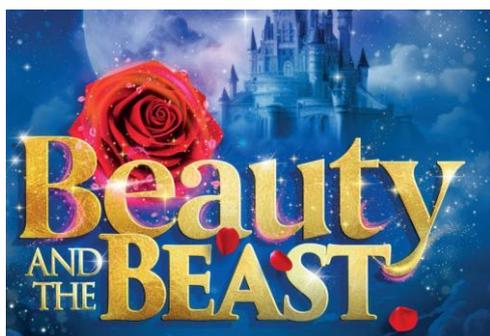
Friday 23rd October is an INSET day- the school is closed to the children. The children return to school on **Monday 2nd November** after the half term break.

Class 2 visit to Caerleon

On **Wednesday 19th November**, Class 2 will visit the National Roman Museum at Caerleon as part of their topic on the Romans. They will travel by minibus departing school at 8.40am and returning for 4pm. Class 2 parents should not order a hot meal for this day. More info will follow.



Beauty and the Beast, Westlands, Yeovil



On **Monday 15th December**, there will be a whole school visit to Yeovil to see the morning performance of Beauty and the Beast.

The children will be travelling by coach and minibus accompanied by all of the staff. The school will be closed whilst we are at the performance.

The school is substantially subsidising the cost of this visit so the cost per child to parents will be £15- Mrs Adams is raising a Parentpay item. Please speak to her if you need assistance with this. More information will follow.

Dates for your Diary (new dates appear in red)

Mon 13 th October	Yrs 3 /4 Invasion Games Festival Friendly at Bridgwater & Taunton College (Taunton site) 3.50-5.20pm
Weds 15 th October	Year 3 Indoor Athletics at Court Fields 9.30-midday
Fri 17 th October	AM Bag2School Collection today (rearranged date) Last session of swimming for Class 3.
Tues 21 st October	Class 3 all day visit to Exeter Museum – Romans. Departing 9.05 am and returning for 3pm. Packed lunches required.
Thurs 23 rd October	Years 5/6 Girls T1 Rugby Friendly at Taunton Rugby Club 3.50-5.30pm
Fri 24 th October	INSET Day
Fri 7 th November	AM Whole School Flu Vaccinations-School Nursing Team
Thurs 13 th Nov	Years 5 / 6 T1 Rugby Friendly at Taunton Rugby Club 3.50-5.30pm
Fri 14 th November	Class 2 commence swimming
Weds 19th Nov	Class 2 all day visit to Caerleon-Romans departing 8.40am and returning for approx. 4pm. Packed lunches required.
Thurs 20 th Nov	Years 5 / 6 T1 Rugby Friendly at Taunton Rugby Club 3.50-5.30pm
Mon 1 st December	Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal at Appley Pavilion 1.30-3pm
Tues 2 nd Dec	Toby Stok- Roman Workshop Class 3
Weds 3 rd Dec	Toby Stok- Roman Workshop Class 2
Thurs 4 th Dec	Yrs 5/6 Dodgeball We Can Play at Blackbrook Pavilion (Indoor tennis dome) 3.45-5pm
Fri 5 th Dec	KS2 Dance Festival at Wellsprings Leisure Centre 9.30-3pm
Mon 8 th December	Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal at Appley Pavilion from 1.30pm
Tues 9 th December	2pm Christmas play performance at Appley Pavilion
Weds 10 th Dec	6.30pm Christmas Play performance with mince pies and mulled wine
Mon 15 th Dec	10am Whole school visit to Beauty and the Beast at Yeovil Westlands. Packed lunches today.
Weds 17 th Dec	Year 2 Multi Skills Festival at Court Fields 9.30-midday Whole school Hot Christmas Meal from the Beambridge Hotel TBC
Fri 19 th Dec	End of term today at 3.15pm
Mon 5 th Jan 2026	INSET Day
Tues 6 th Jan 2026	Children return to school today



Weds 4 th Feb 2026	Year 1 Multi Skills Festival at Court Fields 9.30-midday
Fri 13 th Feb 2026	Half term commences at 3.15pm
Mon 23 rd Feb 2026	Children return to school
Weds 25 th Mar 26	Year 4 Net and Wall Festival at Court Fields 9.30-midday
Thurs 2 nd April 26	Easter holiday commences at 3.15pm
Mon 20 th April 26	Children return to school
Mon 4 th May 26	Bank holiday- school closed
Weds 6 th May 26	Reception Multi Skills Festival 09.30-midday
Fri 22 nd May 26	Half term holiday commences at 3.15pm
Mon 1 st June 26	INSET Day
Tues 2 nd June 26	Children return to school
Weds 8 th July 26	Year 5/6 Games Based festival at Court Fields 09.30-midday
Tues 21 st July 26	School term ends at 3.15pm
Weds 22 nd July 26	INSET Day

