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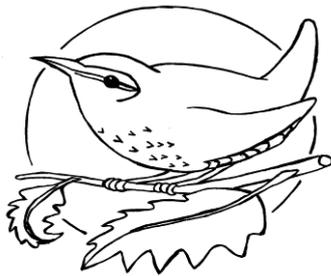
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### Autumn Term Newsletter No 5 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

#### New Build Update

Last week, we were very fortunate to have a visit from our local MP, Rachel Gilmour. She came to see the wonderful work going on in our school and visited each of the classes of our current three class structure. Her support in moving forwards is key for our school as she too appreciated our ethos and the quality of learning which our children receive currently.

The building works have moved on to a further stage now with the roof completed. With most of the outer scaffolding down, it is now possible to see what the school will eventually look like. Albeit with a further building needed to accommodate another learning space.

The cost of building a third classroom was outside of the budget of the current build and sits at £250,000. However, a plan has been logged with Somerset Authority to bring a temporary building - a Study Box - onto the school to give a further learning space. This is at a fifth of the cost and seems much more viable. We await response on this plan and are hoping the funds may be found via Somerset County Council. If not, we may need to fund raise for this project.

#### Hedge cutting

A big thank you to Sam Coles for doing such a wonderful job of cutting the long hedge by the field for us!

*Jacqui Collier*

#### Class 3 visit to Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter



On **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> 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- Mrs Adams has cancelled any which have already been placed.**

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 is being met from school curriculum enrichment funds.



### **Hot Meals for the week commencing Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov- orders required by this Wednesday**

Please note that we must place the order with our caterers BEFORE we break up for half term. Mrs Adams will be placing the order on Wednesday. **Please place your orders NOW via Parentpay if you have not already done so.**

### **Own Clothes Day**

This **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct will be an own clothes day** with a Halloween theme. The children may wear own clothes or a Halloween costume if they wish.



### **INSET/Half Term**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October** is an INSET day- the school is closed to the children. The children return to school on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** after the half term break.

### **Parents Meetings**

Parents meetings will be held in the two weeks after half term. Mr Stirzaker, Miss Balcombe and Miss Collard will be in touch with their class parents regarding the proposed schedule.

### **Applications for Secondary School and Reception for 2026**

**When applying, you should make 3 selections in order of preference and include your catchment school. If you do not do so, you increase the risk of not being offered a place.**

### **Important-Admissions Process 2025/2026**

The portal to apply for places is now open.

**The deadline for applications for Secondary places from Sept 26 is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025.**

**The deadline for applications for Primary School from Sept 2026 is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**

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

### **Whole School Flu Vaccinations**

Nasal flu vaccinations will take place here at Stawley School on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November**. The vaccination is being offered to **all** of the children.

**Please complete the consent form (one for each child, please) using the following link:- <https://www.somersetsaint.co.uk/Forms/Flu>**

**Unique school code: (Stawley Primary School) SM123706**

**This link will close on 6<sup>th</sup> November, but we request that you do this as soon as possible. If you are unable to access the online consent form for any reason, please contact Somerset SAINT for assistance.**

**Please complete the form even if you do not consent to the vaccination so that we have a response for each child.** The consent form can only be completed by someone with parental responsibility. If you have any queries about whether or not you hold



parental responsibility and are therefore able to complete the consent form, please contact the immunisation team on 0300 3230032. If you are unable to access the online consent form for any reason please contact Somerset SAINT for assistance.

The vaccine is given as a simple spray up the nose. It is painless, quick, and serious side effects are uncommon. It is designed to protect your child against flu which can be an unpleasant illness and, although rarely may cause serious complications. The flu vaccine provides protection against the strains that are predicted to circulate in the coming season. These strains may change from year to year which is why we recommend receiving the vaccination every year.

Further information can be found at the Public Health England website [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu). This information includes details about children for whom the nasal spray is not appropriate. There is an expectation that the immunisation team will only visit your child's school once during this programme, although community based catch up sessions for children will be offered throughout the autumn term.

**If your child becomes wheezy or has their asthma medication increased just before/on the day of the vaccination session, please inform the Immunisation team on the day.**

### Swimming



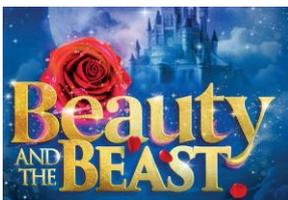
Class 3 have now finished swimming for this half term. After October half term, Class 2 will commence swimming on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November**. **Class 3 parents who have not yet made payment on Parentpay, please check your accounts now or speak to Mrs Adams if you need assistance with this.**

**Years 5 / 6 T1 Rugby Friendly** This will take place on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November** 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.

### Class 2 visit to Caerleon

On **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 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. 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 2 parents should not order a hot meal for this day.** The cost of this visit is being met from school curriculum enrichment funds- the children can bring £5 for a Roman themed goody bag which they will receive at the end of the visit.

### Beauty and the Beast, Westlands, Yeovil



On **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 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 has raised a Parentpay item.

Please speak to her if you need assistance with this. More information will follow.



## Bag2School

I am pleased to report the Bag2School collection weighed 130 kg (at 30p per kilo) so a cheque for £39.00 will be winging its way to FOSS. Thank you everyone!

### Book of Excellence for the week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> September

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| <b>Indie-Rose</b> | For a fantastic neatly written narrative about Pompeii.                    |
| <b>Toby</b>       | For excellent use of exciting and descriptive sentences in his writing.    |
| <b>Spencer</b>    | For working really hard at his times tables and great work in Mathematics. |
| <b>Torin</b>      | For working brilliantly, particularly when working independently.          |
| <b>Annie</b>      | For some amazing enthusiasm in science and an excellent understanding too! |
| <b>Eliza Cr</b>   | For trying her best in everything.   |

### Book of Excellence for the week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> September

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| <b>Aila, Dotty</b>                | For fantastic descriptive stories based on 'Escape from Pompeii'. |
| <b>Zara</b>                       | For excellent reading and great work in English.                  |
| <b>Wilf</b>                       | For working really hard to learn his times tables facts.          |
| <b>Arthur</b>                     | For great writing in English this week about Pompeii.             |
| <b>Olivia</b>                     | For a wonderful version of the Mona Lisa.                         |
| <b>Reuben</b>                     | For some wonderfully creative ideas in his story writing.         |
| <b>George, Nina, Annie, Alfie</b> |   |
| <b>Lottie, Theodore, Meredith</b> | For an amazing start to school! You are all superstars!           |
| <b>Elsie</b>                      |   |

### Book of Excellence for the week beginning 29th September

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| <b>Amit</b>         | For amazing work in mathematics. Super quick and accurate in BSG maths and coming up with his own quizzes for others to try. |
| <b>Oliver L</b>     | For a fantastic positive attitude to his work and all he does at school.   |
| <b>Bea, Elsie J</b> | For a great start to Class 3. A really positive attitude and always trying their best and keen to help out.                  |
| <b>Eliza Cr</b>     | For some fantastic effort with her reading.  |
| <b>Elsie C</b>      | For trying her best with everything she does and showing a really mature approach to school.                                 |
| <b>Lewis</b>        | For trying really hard and showing what a good Year 3 he will make.  |
| <b>Reuben</b>       | For some wonderfully creative ideas in his story writing.  |

### Book of Excellence for the week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> October

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| <b>Lucas</b>    | For helping everyone out and being an excellent role model for all.       |
| <b>Oliver M</b> | For an excellent attitude to his work and some great work in mathematics. |



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| <b>Ralph</b>  | For some excellent addition work in maths and some speedy recall of the 7 times table.                               |
| <b>Roni</b>   | For some amazing handwriting- it is coming along brilliantly.  |
| <b>Nina</b>   | For showing a calm and sensible attitude with everything that she does at school (and an amazing show and tell too!) |
| <b>Reuben</b> | For wonderful attention in class. You have shown excellent listening skills and have tried hard. Well done!          |
| <b>Ivy</b>    | For always being so kind and helpful in class.   |

**Dates for your Diary (new dates appear in red)**

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| Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> October        | Class 3 all day visit to Exeter Museum – Romans. Departing 9.05 am and returning for 3pm. Packed lunches required.        |
| <b>Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> October</b>  | <b>9 am Deadline for hot meals orders for week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 25 on Parentpay</b>                          |
| <b>Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b> | <b>Own clothes day- wear own clothes or a Halloween theme.</b>  |
| Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> October         | INSET Day   |
| Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> November         | Class 2 commence swimming today for 5 weeks<br>PM Whole School Flu Vaccinations-School Nursing Team                       |
| Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov           | Years 5 / 6 T1 Rugby Friendly at Taunton Rugby Club 3.50-5.30pm   |
| Weds 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov            | Class 2 all day visit to Caerleon-Romans departing 8.40am and returning for approx. 4pm. Packed lunches required.         |
| Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov           | Years 5 / 6 T1 Rugby Friendly at Taunton Rugby Club 3.50-5.30pm   |
| Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> December         | Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal at Appley Pavilion 1.30-3pm  |
| Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec             | Toby Stok- Roman Workshop Class 3   |
| Weds 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec             | Toby Stok- Roman Workshop Class 2   |
| Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec            | Yrs 5/6 Dodgeball We Can Play at Blackbrook Pavilion (Indoor tennis dome) 3.45-5pm  |
| Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec              | KS2 Dance Festival at Wellsprings Leisure Centre 9.30-3pm   |
| Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> December         | Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal at Appley Pavilion from 1.30pm   |
| Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> December        | 2pm Christmas play performance at Appley Pavilion   |
| Weds 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec            | 6.30pm Christmas Play performance with mince pies and mulled wine   |
| Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec             | 10am Whole school visit to Beauty and the Beast at Yeovil Westlands. Packed lunches today.                                |
| Weds 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec            | Year 2 Multi Skills Festival at Court Fields 9.30-midday<br>Whole school Hot Christmas Meal from the Beambridge Hotel TBC |
| Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec             | End of term today at 3.15pm   |
| Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026         | INSET Day   |
| Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026        | Children return to school today   |
| Weds 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2026        | Year 1 Multi Skills Festival at Court Fields 9.30-midday  |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2026        | Half term commences at 3.15pm   |
| Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb 2026        | Children return to school   |
| Weds 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar 26         | Year 4 Net and Wall Festival at Court Fields 9.30-midday  |
| Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 26       | Easter holiday commences at 3.15pm  |
| Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> April 26        | Children return to school   |
| Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May 26           | Bank holiday- school closed   |



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| Weds 6 <sup>th</sup> May 26   | Reception Multi Skills Festival 09.30-midday               |
| Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 26   | Half term holiday commences at 3.15pm                      |
| Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June 26   | INSET Day  |
| Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 26  | Children return to school                                  |
| Weds 8 <sup>th</sup> July 26  | Year 5/6 Games Based festival at Court Fields 09.30-midday |
| Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> July 26 | School term ends at 3.15pm                                 |
| Weds 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 26 | INSET Day  |

