

Friday Note



“
ambition, collaboration,
resilience, respect, creativity
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News



Spotlight on achievements



School Applications

Reminder – If your child is due to start school in September 2026 then you need to apply for their school place by **15th January**.

Lunchtime Award Winners

Congratulations to our lunchtime award winners for term 2 who were treated to a take away drink from the cafe on the last day of term.



Doodle Tables winners

Eagle – 41%
Panther – 40%
Turtle – 39%



Doodle Maths winners

Panther – 47%
Panda – 46%
Dolphin – 42%



Arbor Communication

There is no longer a direct function for parents to contact class teachers. All messages need to go through the school office email office.westfield.mnsp.org.uk and be passed on internally.

If your message is important it should be passed onto the class teacher at drop off in the morning.

SEN noticeboard

Does your child struggle to fall asleep or stay asleep?

Come along to our next Parent/Carer café on the 28th January where we will be talking about sleep! The school nurse will be available to offer tips and advice and as always it is a non-judgmental space to share and help each other.

As always tea, coffee and treats provided.
Please book below to secure a space.

[Click here to complete](#)



School Dinner Bookings

Dinners **MUST** be ordered by Thursday every week for the following week on **Schoolgrid**. We are no longer using ParentPay for bookings or payment.

If nothing is ordered and your child is expecting a meal we will no longer be able to provide one and you will have to bring a packed lunch up for them straight away.

Any problems at all with Schoolgrid, please contact the office.

Gladiator Visit

Unfortunately our visit on Friday from Gladiator Steel has had to be postponed due to a family emergency.

He will now be visiting on the 1st April.

Payment will remain open on Arbor until the 31st March.



Year 4 Camp

There will be a camp meeting on Tuesday 10th March at 3.15pm in the school hall for year 4 children who will be going on camp in April 2026.



Just a gentle reminder to keep on top of your payment plan for Greatwood. If there are any problems then please contact the school office.

Year 6 Camp Reminder

This is a reminder that deposits are due by the 30th January. This is for current Year 5 students attending Year 6 camp in September 2026.

Stay & Dates 2025/26

Term 3

Stay and SPAG

Monday 19th January KS2

Tuesday 27th January KS1 & Reception

Term 4

Stay and Read

Monday 9th March KS1 & Reception

Wednesday 18th March KS2

We would like to invite you to attend our Stay & sessions this year. This is a great opportunity for you to spend time with your child exploring what they are learning in school.

Each Stay & session would start with a brief presentation in the hall at 8:45am then in classrooms 9-9:20am for KS1 and Reception and 9-9:25am for KS2.



Reminder Regarding PE Kit Requirements

It has come to the school's attention that a number of pupils have repeatedly forgotten to bring their PE kit or to come to school without the correct kit for PE lessons. The school would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of the importance of pupils being properly equipped for PE each week.

Physical Education is an essential part of the school curriculum, promoting health, fitness, and teamwork. To minimise the likelihood of pupils forgetting their kit, the school requests that all children bring a PE kit which can be kept in school from Monday to Friday and taken home for washing at the end of each week.

It has also been observed that some pupils are attending PE lessons wearing their school shoes. This poses a significant health and safety risk, as inappropriate footwear can lead to slips, trips, and falls. In accordance with the school's uniform policy, every pupil is required to have the correct PE kit and footwear for each lesson.

This matter is being monitored closely. Pupils who continue to attend PE lessons without the appropriate kit will first receive a verbal reminder. Should the issue persist, the class teacher will arrange a meeting with parents or carers to discuss any difficulties that may be preventing the pupil from bringing a PE kit to school each week. If the matter remains unresolved, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will formally invite parents or carers to a meeting to discuss the issue further.

The school wishes to acknowledge and commend those pupils who consistently bring their PE kits and take part in lessons prepared and ready to learn. For those who may occasionally forget, a limited number of spare PE kits are available from the school office. However, this resource is not intended for regular use, as frequent borrowing places additional demands on school resources for washing and maintenance. The school appreciates the cooperation and support of all parents and carers in ensuring that pupils are safe, properly equipped, and able to participate fully in PE lessons.

This week in Nursery

A big welcome back to all our families and to all our new families joining us this term.

We have been enjoying the cold, frosty weather at nursery by exploring the ice and frost outside and making our very own snowflakes inside.



In nursery this term Hedgehog room will be learning all about Winter and how to look after the wildlife when it's cold. We will be taking part in the RSPB Bird Watch and making bird feeders for the garden.

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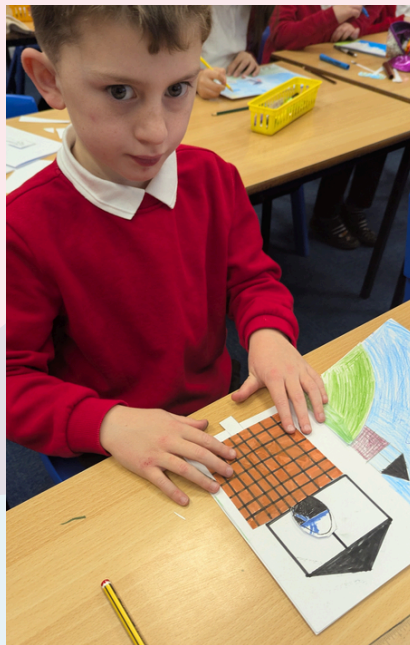
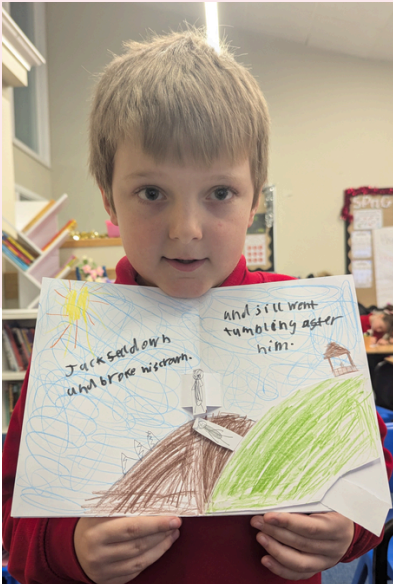
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This term in Year 5

It has been an incredibly busy and productive time in Year 5!

Before Christmas, we scaled new heights in our learning in our captivating geography unit on mountains. The children explored how these landforms are created and studied famous peaks across the globe. In Mathematics, we have been working hard on fractions, mastering everything from equivalent fractions to adding and subtracting mixed numbers. We are also thrilled to announce that we have finally finished our Pop-Up Books! This project required great patience and precision, and the final results are a fantastic showcase of our engineering and storytelling skills.



Looking ahead, our focus shifts to the powerful forces of nature as we begin our new topics: **Volcanoes and Earthquakes**. We will be investigating the tectonic movements beneath our feet and the dramatic impact these events have on our world. In Art, we are developing our technical skills through **observational drawings**, learning how to capture fine details and realistic proportions.

Finally, our Science lessons will dive into the world of **materials**, where we will be testing properties and observing how different substances change and react. We can't wait to see what this term brings!



Term Dates



KS2 Stay & Spag	Monday 19 th January
KS1 & reception Stay & Spag	Tuesday 27 th January
Year 5 MATHs Workshop	Wednesday 4 th February
Last Day of term	Friday 13 th February
Half term	Mon 16 th - Friday 20 th Feb
Pupils return to school	Monday 23 rd February

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c January 12 2026

Here's what is happening
in your Libraries this week

Bath Central Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme 10.30 - 11.00am
Drop in suitable for parents & carers
with children aged 0 - 5 years. Wednesday
(term-time only)

Relaxed Storytime, with Booktrust Thursday 15 January
Relaxed Storytime for children with autism or
sensory needs. Held in our sensory space. 10.30 - 11.30am
Please book via eventbrite

Keynsham Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme 9.30 - 10.00am &
Drop in suitable for parents & carers 10.30 - 11.00am
with children aged 0 - 5 years. Tuesday
(term-time only)

Storytime 10.30 - 11.00am
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with children aged 0 - 5 years. (term-time only)

Midsomer Norton Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme 10.30 - 11.00am
Drop in suitable for parents & carers Monday
with children aged 0 - 5 years. (term-time only)

Storytime 10.30 - 11.00am
Drop in suitable for parents & carers Wednesday
with children aged 0 - 5 years. (term-time only)

Board Game Saturdays Every Saturday
Drop in. Suitable for all ages. 10.00 - 12.30pm

Mobile Library

The Mobile Library may stop near you! Pop in for a visit,
return your books, collect a reservation & choose something
new to read. You can do all this & more with your B&NES or
LibrariesWest library card.

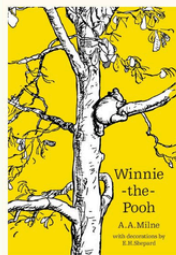
For the Route Timetable, please visit:
<https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/mobile-library-service>

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Library News:

On 18 January it is
Winnie-the-Pooh Day. It
has been 100 years
since Winnie-the-Pooh
was published. A book
about a honey-lovin
bear and all his friends
in 100 Arce wood.



Relational Trauma Counselling for parents

This is a Children's Centre service for parents affected by their own Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). It provides support to heal past hurts to develop stronger family relationships.

Contact us:
Bright Start Children's Centre Services

Heidi Limbert, Children's Centre Services Manager
Tel. No.: 07980 998864
Email: Heidi_Limbert@bathnes.gov.uk

Bath area

Bath Children and Family Centre
Main office: 12 Charlotte Street, Bath BA1 2NE
Tel. No.: 01225 396662

Somer Valley area

Radstock Children & Family Centre
Main office: 10 Waterloo Road, Radstock BA3 3EP
Tel. No.: 01225 396660

Keynsham & Chew Valley area

Keynsham Children & Family Centre
Main office: 65 West View Road, Keynsham BS31 2UE
Tel. No.: 01225 395400

**NOTE: Services are delivered across the area
in other community buildings**

Email: brightstartcc@bathnes.gov.uk
 [BrightStartChildrensCentres](https://www.bathnes.gov.uk/childrens-centres)
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If we have experienced significant stress or trauma in early life and childhood, we can find that these historical relationship patterns get repeated in other relationships later in life.

If we do not feel supported, dealing with the 24/7 job of being a parent can bring up the unresolved hurts and relationship challenges that it was not possible to address in our own childhood.

It can be of great benefit to have the opportunity to heal these traumas and experiences of early life adversity to develop strong and nurturing family relationships.

Our Relational Trauma Counselling Service offers a safe, non-judgemental space to explore the challenges you are facing.

Our Service Lead, Counselling Psychologist Susie Dauhoo works with trainee Counsellors and trainee Counselling Psychologists, to offer new & expectant parents our FREE 10-week programme of confidential one-to-one relational trauma counselling support.



This service is also available to parents who have experienced children being removed from their care.

The programme aims to help you:

- Recognise and connect more deeply with your own emotional needs,
- Understand how trauma is held within and can be released from the body, and
- Address the challenges associated with this powerful and demanding stage of life.
- Get to know yourself and your relationship styles better
- Find ways to navigate situations and relationships which you find challenging
- Work to resolve hurts from the past that may still be affecting your thoughts and behaviours today

The Relational Trauma Counselling service has supported a number of parents in Bath and North East Somerset area.

One told us:

"I am more able to understand how my emotions are held in my body, understand them, bring them under control and improve my relationship with others."

"I was helped to understand that I should not blame myself."

If you have any questions about the programme, or if you would like to book in an initial appointment to talk things through in more detail, please contact Susie on 07929718107 or susie_dauhoo@bathnes.gov.uk

If you know this is the service you are looking for, please discuss with your Midwife, Health Visitor, Social Worker or Children's Centre Worker who will support you to complete a 'Trauma Counselling Referral form'.