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**NEWSLETTER 22**

Dear Parents/carers and children,



**SCHOOL LUNCHES – SUMMER MENU**

**The Summer term menu is now available to order on ParentPay.** School meals are available to order for all weeks of the Summer term, right up to the Summer holidays. Please keep track of your orders to ensure you meet the deadline for ordering meals for the following week, which is the Wednesday before the meals are to be taken. **For KS1 children (no payment required), it is advisable to order lunches right up to May half term, to avoid missing a deadline and your child not having lunches provided.** The deadline for meals for the first week back after Easter is Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018. If you do not place an order by this date, please send your child to school with a packed lunch for the week commencing 09.04.18.



**AGAPE MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE**

This week, the whole school gathered together at St Andrew's Church to celebrate Mothering Sunday. Our service was led by the children from Avon and Sheppey classes. Thank you to the children and to everyone who braved the cold to join us in the celebration.

**PARENTVIEW**

[Parent View](https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/) allows parents and carers to give their views about their child's school at any time of the school year. The questionnaire is also the main mechanism for parents to give their views to inspectors about their child's school at the time of a school inspection. <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>



**EASTER SERVICE – THURSDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH and MR SHEEHAN'S FAREWELL**

The Easter Service will take place in Church at 2pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, refreshments will be served from 1pm. This will also be the whole school's opportunity to say a fond farewell to Mr Sheehan and to thank him for his 11 years of dedicated service to the family of St Andrew's Church School. All are very welcome to join us.

**LEAVING GIFT**

As you are aware, Mr Sheehan will be leaving us at the end of term. As is customary, we will be organising a collection towards a leaving gift. If any parents would like to donate, please put your donation in a sealed envelope, marked clearly and hand it to the School Office.



**BOOK SWAP**

Our Book Swap will be going ahead next Thursday (15th March 2018). Mrs. Barmby-King will be in the hall from 8.45am to receive contributions of books. Please bring ANY age-appropriate books, comics/magazines and also any age-appropriate DVDs (U ratings only please) ready to be swapped. Once they are sorted, each class will come to the hall to choose/ swap books to take home.



MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL		
Running/Fitness Club	KS2	Ms Doherty
TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL		
Football Practice	Years 5 & 6	Mr Green
Study Club	Years 4,5 & 6	Ms Doherty
WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL		
Handball/Netball	Years 5 & 6	Ms Doherty
Catchball	Years 3 & 4	Mr Green
THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL		
DJ Club	KS1 & KS2	Mrs Exell
Boys' Football	Years 3 & 4	Mr Green
FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL		
Study Club	Years 4,5 & 6	Ms Doherty
Multi-skills	Years 1 & 2	Mr Green

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Multiskills – Years1 & 2 is now full on Fridays, however there is a waiting list. Please see a staff member in the School Office.

If any child wishes to join a current club, please see the School Office and we will check with the club leader, regarding availability of spaces.

**CROSS COUNTRY EVENT**

Mrs Doherty extends her thanks and appreciation to all parents who helped with transport on Monday. Also for the late start and having to stand around in freezing conditions, many thanks again!

**CANCELLED CLUBS**

**SCHOOL KIT**

Could ALL school kit please be returned to the School Office as soon as possible.



**HEADLICE**

Parents have reported cases of headlice in school this week. Please take some time over the weekend to check your child's hair and treat if necessary. Thank you.

### **GROOMING CONTACT VIA INSTAGRAM**

Heathfield Community School have made us aware of reports from a number of their Year 7 students, of some grooming style contact via instagram. The general pattern seems to be that a man called Alan Shield (instagram ID 'shields2387') contacts the student by message asking explicit questions and asking for photos from them. He then sends them a sexually explicit image. His profile shows his face and also other explicit images.

This has been reported to the police, however we would ask parents to discuss this sensitive issue with their children. We have spoken to our pupils in Years 5 and 6 to make them aware of the danger.

### **YEAR 6 SATS WEEK**

The Year 6 SATS will take place during the week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Please do not book any appointments for your child during school hours that week.



### **CHOIR**

If you have any Choir polo shirts at home, please could these be returned to school as soon as possible please. We have several forthcoming events which we would like to use them for.



### **CLERK TO GOVERNORS**

This position is vacant, if you are interested please speak to Mrs Williams in the School Office.

### **DIGITAL PARENTING**

All children were sent home this week with a copy of the Digital Parenting magazine. If you wish to view this online, it can be found at [www.vodafone.com/digitalparenting](http://www.vodafone.com/digitalparenting). At this link you can also find information on specific concerns, such as cyberbullying or sexting and keep up-to-date with the 'must-have apps and social media platforms that are proving so popular with children and young people.



### **LIBRARY NEWS**

Our School Library now has a stock of up-to-date books, both fiction and non-fiction. Year 5 were very enthusiastic about being librarians and will all have a chance to carry out this role if they wish to either this year or when they are in Year 6. To start us off our Librarians will be Alfie Inskip, Noah Rogers, Alaia Stephens, Scarlett Turner, Emma Clark and Lulu.

Pupils will be able to borrow up to 2 books at a time for a period of 2 weeks. After this time you will get reminders of outstanding books. Books will be issued via a barcode which will be stuck into the front of their reading record books.

Starting next week, you can borrow a book after school: Reception & KS1 – Mondays and KS2 – Wednesdays

More times will be added in due course.

### **PTFA**

#### **KS1 PJ Storytime**

This event will be going ahead and we will advertise the new date as soon as it is confirmed.

#### **Easter Competitions**

All children can show off their creativity by making an Easter bonnet or decorating an egg.

(KS1 have also been sent home a colouring sheet to design their own Easter egg if they prefer)

Free entry & all entrants will receive a lolly. (These will be given to children at the end of the school day)

Entries will be judged by class and winners will receive a chocolate Easter egg. Deadline is 16th March.

If you could please make sure all creations are named and class labelled too. Looking forwards to seeing all the fabulous creations!! Good luck! 'Guess How Many Eggs are in the Jar?' After school on Thursday 15th March, 50p ago or 3 for a pound. The lucky winner will be announced on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March (at the cake sale) and will get to take home the jar of eggs. Good luck!



#### **PTFA Diary Dates:**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March ~ Sports Relief Cake Sale

### **GOLD BOOK**

Congratulations to all the children who have appeared in the Gold Book over the last few weeks.

Tone – Maddie Kerton, Marlowe Rice, Jack Martin, Millie Harris, Tommy Turner,

Avon – Dylan Penetra, Xavier Kendall, Theo Crocker, Alex Lyle, Jess Lang, Jesse McConville, Julia Jawor, Isobel Owens

Sheppey – Ollie Doyle, Chloe Wood, Dylan Aldridge, Talia Hallett, Rose Broadway, ALL Year 1s, Robbie Ryder

Cary – Freyja Warren-Furze, Maisie Amery, Poppy Housego, Elin Lewis, George Williams, Lottie Stephenson, Dylan Crocker, Liberty Moon, Charlie Witt, Cai Williams

Huntspill – Ollie Baker, Ellis Relph, Harvey Matthews, Maxi Lyle, Harrison Dunster, Charlie Coles

Somer – Jessica Housego, Joseph Humphreys, Filip Grudzien, Samuel Hines, Archie Boobyer, Luke Seymour

Brue – Sofia Nichols, Scarlett Turner, Paige Keightley, Lewis Clark, Mya Christian, Emerson Ford, Amel Siejka, Alaia Stephens, Marcus Peet

Exe – Andre Rami-Farrell, Wyatt Keightley, Aaron Leggett, Millie Gibson, Maggie Rybak, Charlie Hunt, Charlotte McGurk, Rowan Billett, Harry Broadway, Jovi Green, Ethan Coles, Ben Wyrwoll, Morgan Bartlett

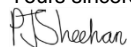
### **DIARY DATES**

<b>MARCH</b>	
<b>Monday 12th</b>	<b>Years 5/6 Boys'/Mixed Football at Heathfield 3.50-5.30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 13th</b>	<b>Easter Cracked Year 4 Trip to Museum Choir at The Big Sing at Mary Magdalene Church, Taunton</b>
<b>Wednesday 14th</b>	<b>Year 3 Trip to the Museum</b>
<b>Tuesday 20th</b>	<b>Sports Relief</b>
<b>Wednesday 21st</b>	<b>Deadline for ordering school lunches for week commencing 09.04.18</b>
<b>Thursday 22nd</b>	<b>Easter Service 2pm in Church</b> <b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b>

Friday 23rd	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils
Monday 26th	EASTER HOLIDAYS
APRIL	
Tuesday 10th	Yr 5&6 Trip to Bristol Reception Vision testing Parents' Evening
Thursday 12th	School Photographer (Class photos & Leaver's photos) Parents' Evening
Friday 13th	Cary Class – First swimming session of the Summer term

### Messy Church

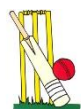
Yours sincerely,

  
Paul Sheehan,  
Headteacher

Messy Church is meeting again **this Saturday** in St Andrew's Church Hall from 3pm – 5pm. The theme this time will be Easter and all are welcome to come along for crafts, story and tea.

Also on **Sunday morning** we have our Mothering Sunday Service in church at 10am and everyone is welcome to come along. The service is suitable for all ages.

#### April Cricket Opportunities



**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

**Disability Family Cricket at Bridgwater & Taunton College 10am -11.30am. PLEASE REFER TO POSTERS AROUND SCHOOL**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

**Mum's and Daughter's Cricket at Wilton Lands, Vivary Park from 10am - 12.00pm.**

Somerset Cricket Board are offering Mum's and daughters an opportunity to take part in a fun morning of softball cricket. All equipment is provided, but any child attending must be accompanied by an adult.

The session will be led by two Somerset Cricket Board coaches and will offer a fun introduction to the sport.

If you wish to attend this free session and experience softball cricket, simply [book here](#) and be at Wilton Lands in Vivary Park for 10am!

If girls are unable to attend with their mum, we will of course allow dad to supervise and join in!

If you have any questions, please email [steve.gass@somersetcricketboard.org](mailto:steve.gass@somersetcricketboard.org)

\* To find Wilton Lands Access Vivary Park through the large iron gates on Mount Street, bare right and head towards the water. As you follow the water along the footpath to the duck feeding area, you'll notice a bridge on your right hand side, if you walk over the bridge you will have now entered Wilton Lands.



#### WOODLAND INCLUSIVE ADVENTURES

Drayton Woods near Langport.

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 10am-4pm

All abilities welcome. 8-19years

Cost of day: £15 includes hot lunch (carers FREE)

**Activities include: Campfire, Explore trails, Shelter building, Relax in a hammock, Stories and crafts around the fire.**

**Wheelchair accessible site & toilet facilities.**

**For more details & bookings, please contact:**

**Hannah Aitken**

[Hannah@wilderwoods.org](mailto:Hannah@wilderwoods.org) Tel 01458 252463



#### St. Patrick's Day Race Night

St. Andrew's Club are holding a Race Night on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>

March 2018 – 8pm onwards

Over 16s welcome - Come along and join in the fun.

Have a flutter on the horses!

**Raising funds for St. Andrew's Church School**