

Newsletter – June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

I cannot believe it is that time again – time to start thinking about transition and plans for the next school year. We are now in a position to be able to share the staffing plan with you, and this is shown in the table below:

Class	Teacher/Room Leader	Support Staff
Reception	Mrs. Batchelor Mrs. Harley	Mrs. Moore, Miss Stokes
Year 1 (current Y2 room)	Mrs. Hampshire Mrs. Harley	Mrs. Reid, Miss Stokes
Year 2 (current Y1 room)	Mrs. Lindsey Mrs. Newton	Mrs. Newton
Year 3	Miss Surridge Mr. Hampson	Mrs. Goff, Miss Kettley
Year 4	Miss Reeve	Miss Reynolds
Year 5	Mrs. Foyle Mr. Hampson	Miss Winstanley, Mrs. Chalmers
Year 6	Miss Wood	Mrs. Fisher

Next Wednesday (8th July), there will be a move-up morning, during which children will spend the morning with their new teachers in their new classrooms. All classrooms will remain in the same location, with the exception of Year 1 and Year 2, which will swap classrooms.

On Move-Up Morning, children should come to school as normal and go to their usual classrooms. There will be a short assembly, after which the children will leave with their new teachers and remain in their new classes until lunchtime.

It is really important that your child is in school on this day, as it is designed to help them feel more confident and at ease about their transition in September.

You will note from the table that we are due to say a fond farewell to some of our staff members this year. Mrs. Christopher will be leaving us at the end of this academic year and Mrs. Brooks will be retiring after an enormous 30 years at Princecroft. This is a huge achievement and she will be remembered by so many over the years. We thank them both for all they have contributed to our school.

Miss Dredge will be on maternity leave for most of the next year.
Miss Kettlety has announced that she is expecting a baby in January. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her and her family on this lovely news.

I would like to take this opportunity to share that we have successfully recruited a full-time room leader to work in The Hive. We are looking forward to Miss Amie Bennett joining the team in September.

School reports will be coming out on Friday, 10th July. If you would like to see your child's class teacher, we do offer a final opportunity to do so. If you would like to arrange a conversation with your child's teacher, please speak to them directly.

I know the staff team are excited about the new school year, and I hope your child is too.

Best wishes,



Mrs. Gemma Pierson

Headteacher

News



Matilda

Year 4 enjoyed a fantastic day trip filled with learning and excitement. They began their day at the M Shed, where they saw the Bristol Boycott Bus, which linked closely to their Black History topic on the Empire Windrush. Later, they visited the Hippodrome to watch *Matilda*, which they absolutely loved. The performance was lively and exciting and it was clear that the children had a wonderful time, creating special memories together.

Hot Weather

I just wanted to say a huge thank you for your support over the challenging circumstances with the heat last week. It was very important to us to stay open for the families that needed us, as well as supporting parent/carer decisions to do what was best for their children. The children we did have in school were exceptional – a special mention to them for keeping calm and carrying on!

Fidget Toys

A reminder that children should not be bringing in toys from home. I understand that fidget toys are popular at the moment, but they are not allowed in school. There is an exception in a minority of cases where, with professional advice, certain regulation tools are approved for some children's needs. Research shows though, that in the majority of cases, fidget toys are detrimental to children's concentration. Thank you for your support with this.

Carbon Literacy Corner

The focus for July is being device free. Electronics use lots of energy. They are great in so many ways, but could you factor in some down time or 'device free' time to do something else as a family? Play a game, go outdoors, have a family meal focused on quality time together. As we know, every little helps and this has a secondary benefit of improving mood and connecting with loved ones. If you wanted to go all out and join your children, why not try a 'digital detox'!



If You Were an Engineer, What Would You Do?

We are absolutely delighted to share some fantastic news from our recent participation in the engineering competition. Several of our pupils have been recognised for their outstanding work, achieving both winning and highly commended awards.

This is a truly wonderful achievement and one that the whole school community can be incredibly proud of.

Throughout this project, our pupils have shown remarkable creativity, curiosity and determination. They were challenged to think like engineers—identifying real-world problems and designing innovative solutions to make people's lives better. The ideas they produced were not only imaginative but also thoughtful and purposeful, showing a genuine understanding of how engineering can positively impact everyday life.

What has stood out the most is how the children focused on helping others. Many of their designs aimed to improve accessibility, solve practical problems, and support people in meaningful ways. It has been inspiring to see such empathy and forward-thinking from our young learners.

Taking part in this competition has also helped pupils to develop important skills such as problem solving, resilience and communication. They have demonstrated that they are capable of thinking critically about the world around them and using their ideas to shape a better future.

We are incredibly proud of all the pupils who took part, and especially those who received awards. Their success reflects not only their creativity and enthusiasm, but also their willingness to challenge themselves and think in new ways.

Well done to everyone involved — what an inspiring achievement!

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Town Park Gardening

Thank you again to Mrs. Reid for taking some of our gardening club to plant a flower bed in the town park. What an excellent job they have done! Beautiful colours and a striking design – well done to all who were involved.



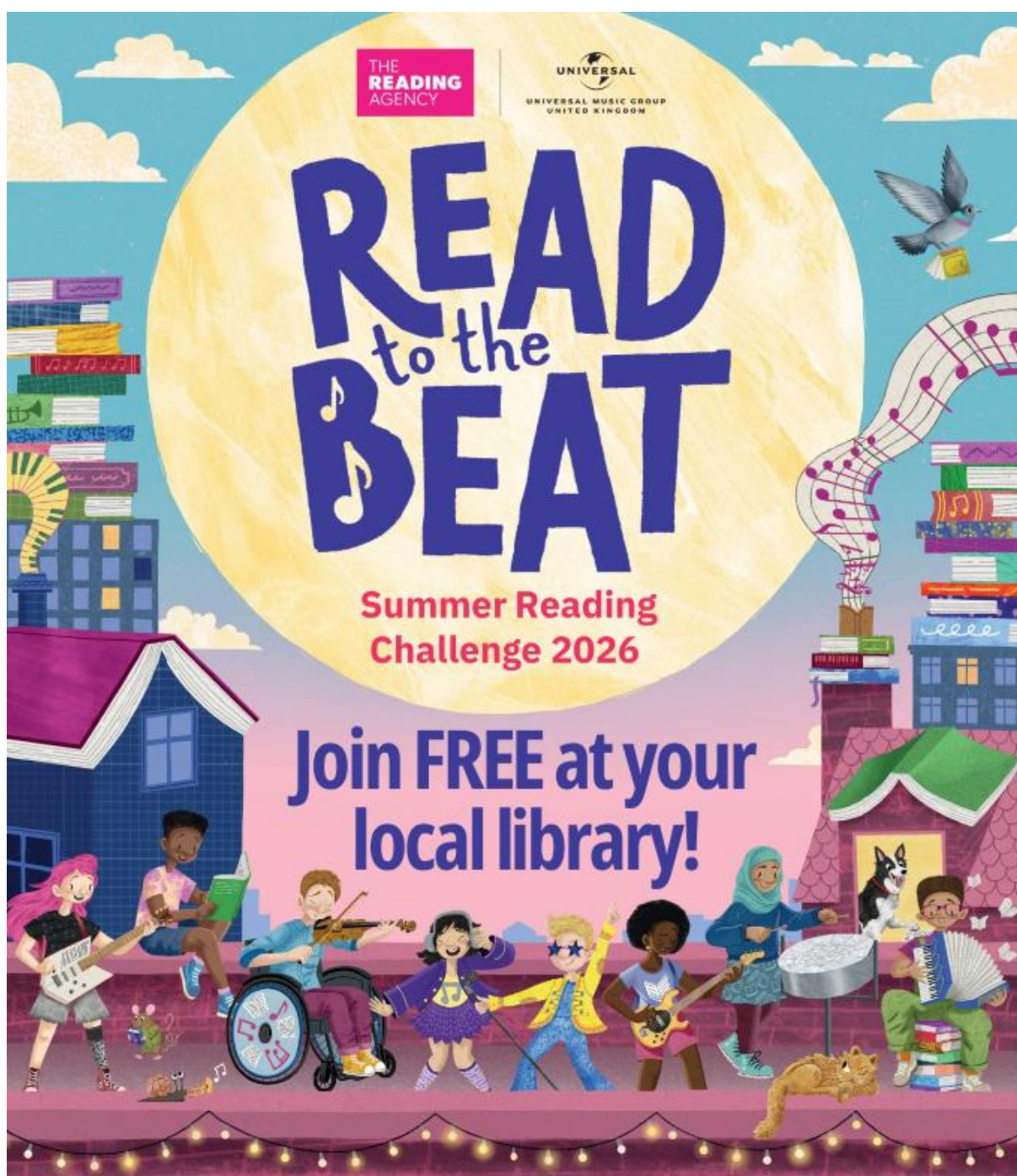
Diary Dates

Please take note of these important dates for your diary

TERM 6	
Wednesday 8 th July	Move up Morning (Children spend the morning with their new teachers)
Friday 10 th July	Flower sale after school
Saturday 11 th July	Summer Fete
Thursday 16 th July	Anning Class Dorchester trip Y6 present... Princecroft's Got Talent
Tuesday 21 st July	Y6 leavers' Assembly The Hive leavers' party 2pm
Wednesday 22 nd July	Last day of the school year Flower Sale after school

Term Dates for 2026-27		TD Days (School Closed)
Term 1	1 st September – 21 st October	Tuesday 1 st September Wednesday 2 nd September
Term 2	2 nd November – 18 th December	
Term 3	4 th January – 12 th February	Monday 4 th January Friday 12 th February
Term 4	22 nd February – 25 th March	
Term 5	12 th April – 28 th May	Monday 12 th April
Term 6	7 th June – 23 rd July	

School policies can be viewed on our school website. If you wish to view other policies please contact the school office via email. Photograph consents can be changed at any point; please contact the school office should you wish to do so. We use a lawful basis for collecting certain data, please contact the school office by email if you wish for us to change or remove any of your data.



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WARMINSTER SPORTS CENTRE

SUMMER HOLIDAY SWIMMING ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 28th – Thursday 30th July

Beginners & Improvers Diving
Butterfly & Front crawl Workshop
Water Safety 1
Stages 1,2 & 3
Distance Awards (100m upwards)

COMMONWEALTH GAMES SWIM RACES



Friday 31st July (9 – 11am)
25m & 50m All strokes
Various age groups / Stage 5 upwards



4-day courses £24

3-day courses £18

2-day courses £12



Distance Awards - £1 for session and purchase any badges / certificates achieved.

Commonwealth Games Swim Races - £1 for each event entered.

Tuesday 4th – Friday 7th August

Beginners & Advanced Diving
Rookie Lifeguard
Breaststroke Workshops
Water Safety 2
Stages 1, 3 & 4

Tuesday 18th – Friday 21st August

Improvers & Advanced Diving
Stages 1, 2, 3 & 5

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WARMINSTER SPORTS CENTRE SUMMER HOLIDAY INTENSIVE SWIMMING ACTIVITIES

INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

Intensive swimming lessons are an excellent introduction to regular lessons or to enable children already in lessons to work on their skills and strokes to help them progress faster in their weekly class.

BREASTSTROKE WORKSHOP (Stages 4 & 5)

Why not come down and develop your breaststroke in our breaststroke workshop. Make your kick symmetrical and breathe like a champ while improving your stroke along the way.

BUTTERFLY WORKSHOP (Stages 5 – 7)

Want to learn to swim the best stroke? Well, the Butterfly workshop is for you, how to time the arms and the kick to make your stroke take off and end up the best you can.

BEGINNERS DIVING (Stage 4 upwards)

Starting off your diving can be a worry and a scary idea, but this class is to help you overcome those worries and improve your confidence and ability to dive in. Working on body position, entering safely and starting the dive in the correct way. This is a class where we are aiming to get you diving.

IMPROVERS DIVING – (Stage 4 upwards)

Already able to dive but want to go that little bit further, well this is the class for you. In this class we will work on the spring moving through the air and entering the water in a good position. Holding the streamline and gliding from the entry. Focusing more on the movement and control of the body.

ADVANCED DIVING – Stage 4 upwards

It's not the beginning of the end but the end of the beginning, because in this class we are diving off a block. Introducing the racing start, holding streamline on the entry and how to maximise your start for the quickest length you can. Advanced divers will learn how to use a block correctly and safely and how to perform a racing start also introducing the underwater part of a dive.

ROOKIE LIFEGUARD – Stage 6 upwards

Rookie Lifeguard enables children to learn valuable water safety skills in a fun, engaging, educational, and social swimming pool environment.

Rookie Lifeguard Pool teaches children interchangeable skills that help build their confidence, promote teamwork, and foster leadership skills. Rookie Lifeguards develop the basic survival, rescue and lifesaving skills that will empower them to respond effectively in emergency situations.

WATER SAFETY 1

For those that are currently in Stage 3 and wanting to gain more experience to be able to achieve the Water Safety 1 award. Currently not in lessons, but at a Stage 3 level, come along to learn basic water safety awareness and survival techniques such as floating, treading water and submerging and resurfacing without goggles.

WATER SAFETY 2

For those that are currently in Stage 5 and wanting to gain more experience to be able to achieve the Water Safety 2 award. Currently not in lessons, but at a Stage 5 level, come along and learn essential personal survival techniques, key water safety messages from RNLI and RLSS and introduces you to swimming in clothes.

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PARENTS & CARERS

SURVIVING & THRIVING OVER THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS



In this 90 minute workshop hosted by Somerset's Mental Health Support Team, we will explore...

- ✓ Creating flexible routines and boundaries that actually work during the holidays
- ✓ Why sleep still matters (even without school) and how to keep it on track
- ✓ Simple ways to stay organised, reduce stress, and enjoy more quality time together
- ✓ Fun activities, local support, and what's happening for families across Somerset



WHEN?

10:00-11:30 7th July 2026

18:00-19:30 16th July 2026

13:30-15:00 28th July 2026

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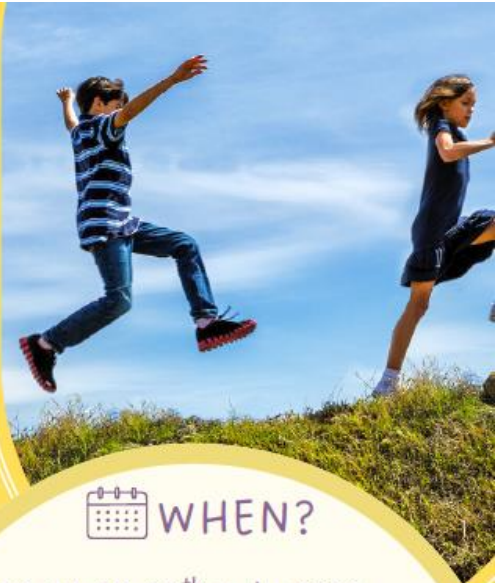
BOOSTING SELF-ESTEEM & RESILIENCE

HELPING YOUR CHILD TO
THRIVE



In this 90 minute workshop hosted by Somerset's Mental Health Support Team, we will explore...

- ✓ The everyday moments that build confidence and emotional strength
- ✓ Simple ways to encourage your child's strengths, talents and interests
- ✓ Helping children overcome negative self-talk and build a positive mindset
- ✓ Friendships and feelings: supporting your child to navigate relationships with confidence and resilience



WHEN?

13:00-14:30 30th July 2026

9:30-11:00 5th August 2026

18:00-19:30 13th August 2026

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FREE WEBINARS FOR
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BACK TO SCHOOL:

SUPPORTING YOUR
NEURODIVERGENT
CHILD



In this 90 minute workshop hosted by Somerset's
Mental Health Support Team, we will explore...

- ✓ Why it is more challenging for neurodivergent young people to return to school
- ✓ How misunderstanding of needs can impact mental wellbeing now and in the future
- ✓ A range of tools to help your child's return to school
- ✓ Where and how to get more support if needed



WHEN?

9:30-11:00 18th August 2026

18:00-19:30 20th August 2026

14:30-16:00 1st September 2026

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