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Dear Parents

**Birthdays** - If you wish to send things in to class to celebrate your child's birthday, please can you be aware that in most classes there are children with allergies: gluten, nuts, egg and soya. If you wish to check the details for your child's class please ask the office.

**Harrier Class Scratch** – if you have not already done so please can you return the permission form for your child.

**Parent Helpline** - is a telephone service run by Somerset County Council's Education Psychology Service aimed at supporting Somerset parents and carers whose children are facing challenges such as:

- Self-harm
- Sleep problems
- Anxiety
- Self-Isolation
- Any other concerns

The line is staffed by Educational Psychologists who specialise in working with parents and children who are of school age. This service is available Monday to Friday during usual working hours.

To use the service, please email [EPShelpline@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:EPShelpline@somerset.gov.uk) with your name, the name of your child's school (or advise your child is home educated) with dates and times you are available for a phone call. Alternatively, phone 01823 357000.

For more details see leaflet on link below.

<https://choices.somerset.gov.uk/025/send-news/parentline-support-for-parents-and-carers/send-news/>

**School/Church Fete 2022** - Provisional date Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June form 2pm

**Cygnat Class** - Just to let you know that Cygnat class are invited to a Night Welly walk on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 5.30 to 6.30. Further details have been sent out by email today.

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**Film Night** - The PTFA are running a Film night on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February after school in classes. More details to follow.

**Josephine's Star** – Josephine's Star offers support to children and their families in Somerset when someone special has died - <https://www.josephinesstar.org.uk/>. They are looking for volunteers and are holding a Meet and Greet in Langport on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 10am. If you would like to attend or are interested in volunteering please contact Jen at [jen@josephinesstar.org.uk](mailto:jen@josephinesstar.org.uk)

**Information Sessions at Huish** - These are very valuable sessions and I would highly recommend attending them. We are really lucky to have access to such sessions via the CLP as we would not be able to put these on ourselves. It would be lovely to know that a number of you are accessing them. I know that parents who have attending them in the past have found them invaluable. I will certainly be attending the online safety one which was incredibly useful previously.

### **Growth Mindset**

**SCC Educational Psychologist**

**31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 at 6:30pm, estimated end time 8pm**

The beliefs children have about intelligence, effort, and struggle impact the choices they make about learning. Children with a fixed mindset believe that intelligence is fixed at birth and doesn't change with practice. They see school as a place where abilities are evaluated and they interpret mistakes as a sign that they lack talent.

This session will help you help your child/ren to develop a **growth mindset** believing that intelligence can be developed. These students see school as a place to develop their abilities and think of challenges as opportunities to grow.

To book a place to attend this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/9cvon4GwrC3ChTaaA>

### **Dyslexia Awareness**

**With Mark Long, SCC Lead Advisory Teacher**

**Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**Starting at 6:30pm, estimated end time 8pm**

Dyslexia is a learning difference that affects 1 in 10 people. Individuals with dyslexia often find it challenging to develop reading and spelling fluency and can also have difficulty with remembering verbal instructions and learning sequences such as the alphabet, days of the week and times table facts.

This session provides an introduction to dyslexia. It explains why children with dyslexia can find reading, spelling and writing so challenging and describes strategies that can be used to help children improve in these areas.

To book a place to attend this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/ewtp83i8RhP53MLU7>

### **Online Safety & Social Media**

**With Amy Brittan, SCC Education Technology Advisor**

**14<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 6:30pm, estimated end time 8pm**

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New technologies inspire children to be creative, communicate and learn. But with the digital world changing all the time, how can you make sure your child's staying safe? This session will provide parents/guardians/carers with information to support their children to enjoy technology safely and responsibly. You will have the opportunity to think about what you want to do to protect your family and to equip them for their future. To book a place to attend this session please visit: <https://forms.gle/Qt4Dxmbjb4KVME377>

### Dates to remember:

Swimming lesson - Thursdays (Harrier Class) :	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> January to 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
Rural Life Museum Visit (Cygnet Class) :	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February
Parents' Evening (Cygnet Class) :	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> February and 14 <sup>th</sup> February.
Night Welly Walk (Cygnet Class) :	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February
Safer Internet Day :	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February
PTFA Film Night :	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February
Inset Day :	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
Half Term Holiday :	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
World Book Day :	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March
Additional School Closure Day :	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022
School/Church Fete (Provisional date) :	Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2022

### Safeguarding

**If you have any concerns about your child or another please come and speak to myself. Safeguarding is everyone's business and cannot be ignored. You can always contact Somerset Direct (0300 123 2224) or the NSPCC yourself to share or discuss any Safeguarding concerns you have.**

**Here are some useful websites recommended by our DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead – Lizzie Reynolds or Cheryl Park).**

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Best wishes  
Mrs Lizzie Reynolds

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