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1 May 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Another busy week. It has been nice to see the children starting to use the pool. From next week could all children have their swimming kits in school every day, this doesn't mean they will be swimming but if the opportunity arises, they will be able to. Cygnets will probably not be swimming until after half term, this will then be every Thursday instead of Welly Walk. Splash will be on Fridays each week and we will then extend this after half term.

Cygnets and Kingfisher classes had a fantastic trip on Thursday to watch and take part in a concert with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra. The children performed a song they had helped to write during workshops in school and also enjoyed listening to a wide range of music. They behaved brilliantly throughout and had a wonderful time.

This link will take you to some activities available to families over half term.

[Activities for families and young people](#)

The Pool is open and ready for hire

A huge thank you to those who have worked so hard to get it ready and are now checking chemicals daily. If you wish to book a session, please go to:

<https://longsuttonswimmingpool.setmore.com/>

If you have any questions, please email the pool booking team at

lps.swimmingpool@gmail.com

Summer Fair – Saturday 20th June

Please keep this date free. For those of you who don't know, we do a joint fair with the church on the school field from 2 – 4pm. There are various stalls, a bouncy castle, some activities for children, a BBQ and tea and cake. If you have any great ideas for something you would like to run, please get in touch with me.

PTFA FOLLOW US ON SOCIALS

For regular updates about the school & the PTFA, please follow us on Facebook & Instagram @longsuttonprimaryptfa.

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Your School Lottery

Please consider joining our school lottery & tell everyone you know! To start supporting us visit www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for 'Long Sutton Primary'.

SEN Workshops

These include workshops around Dyslexia, Autism, Sensory issues, Social Stories, Emotional Based School Avoidance, sleep etc. They are very good sessions; I recommend booking in on them. Click below to book on to them.

[WISE Up Workshops](#)

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here - [NHS 'Is my child too ill for school?' guidance](#)

The image shows two posters side-by-side. The left poster is titled 'Article 28 The right to education' and contains text about children's views on school services and healthcare. The right poster is titled 'Please share your views on health-related school absence...' and features two QR codes for parent and young person questionnaires, along with the RCPCH & Us logo.

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Summer Fete
Y6 Bikeability
Whole School Transition Afternoon
Transition Information Evening
Whole School Trip to Magdalen Farm
Harrier Production
Y6 Leavers BBQ
Leavers Service

Monday 04th May
Wk Com Monday 11th May
Monday 11th May 3.15pm
Tuesday 12th May 3.15pm
Wednesday 13th May 3.15pm
Friday 25th May
Monday 01st June
Wednesday 17th June
Saturday 20th June
Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th June
Wednesday 01st July
Wednesday 01st July 6.00pm
Friday 10th July
Wednesday 15th July
Tuesday 21st July
Wednesday 22nd July

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TUESDAY 26th MAY

Community Inclusion Activity Day
ARK, Egwood, Merriott, Somerset,
TA16 5QN.

A relaxed, fun day of spending time with animals, outdoor games, BBQ lunch, campfire, bushcraft skills and toasting marshmallows. Young people new to our service will need to attend with a parent/carer or if 1-1 support is required. 10am-2pm. For ages 8-18th birthday. £10 per person. Carers go free.

To book, call 07977 412199 from 10am on 5 May. From 6 May onwards, bookings can be made via email only: CIATeam@somerset.gov.uk



WEDNESDAY 27th MAY

Shared Earth

Vallis Veg, BA11 3JQ. Nature based activities and play incorporating nature-studies, crafts, gardening, games, shelter-building and simple campfire cooking. Child led games and activities to enhance environmental awareness and appreciation of the outdoors. 10am-2:30pm. For ages 8-18yrs. £15 per person.

To book, please email shareearthbookings@gmail.com



THURSDAY 28th MAY

Community Inclusion Activity Day

Wildwood Devon, Escot Park, Ottery St Mary, Devon, EX11 1LU. Enjoy a family day out at Wildwood, home to brown bears, wolves, arctic foxes, red squirrels and more! Indoor and outdoor play areas, hedge maze and Saxon village where children can enjoy endless fun. Staff on site throughout the day for support. 10am-3pm. For all ages. £5 per person.

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FRIDAY 29th MAY

Nova Sports

Frome Youth Centre, BA11 3EF. Free play sensory gymnastics activities facilitated by a specialist gymnastics teacher alongside Nova coaches. Enquire if you're not sure whether this activity is suitable for your child. 12:30-1:15pm & 13:15-2pm For ages 4-12yrs. £10 per person.

To book, please email at bookings@novasports.org.uk or call 07880 743453



29th

Green Goblins Games Club

Riverside Church, The Exchange, Hamilton Rd, Taunton, TA1 2EQ. Tabletop games including Pokemon Trading Card Game, Board Games and D&D Roleplay Games. 6-10.30pm. For age 10+ (under 10s may attend when accompanied by a parent carer). £4 entry. First time free. Parent carers free.

To book, please contact **Michael Ford** on 07733066157 or email greengoblinsgamesclub.co.uk



28th

Nova Sports

Key Centre, Frome, BA11 5AJ. Sensory play sport activities run by specialist Nova coaches. Go on sensory journey through the smells, sounds, feels and actions of playing. Enquire if you're not sure whether this activity is suitable for your child. 10am-11:30am. For ages 4-12yrs. £10 per person.

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29th

Minehead Eye

Minehead Eye Centre, 1A Mart Road, Minehead, TA24 5BJ. This session offers exclusive access to the whole Minehead Eye centre including skatepark, cafe, climbing cave and music rooms. There will be a sensory themed area along with an arts and crafts area. The Skatepark will be open with scooters, skateboards, roller skates and all equipment included. The cafe will be open throughout the session for families. This is an accessible and relaxed session with a reduced-stimulus environment, including quieter breakout spaces, calm zones with good sound insulation, and flexible lighting to support individual needs. 2:30-4:30pm. For ages 3+ £2 per child.

To book, please email www.mineheadeye.co.uk



26th

Nova Sports

Harry's Hydro, Critchell School, Frome, BA11 4LB. Hydrotherapy - Family swim sessions in warm water for neurodivergent young people and those with physical disabilities. 10am-12pm For all ages. £5 per person.

To book, please email at bookings@novasports.org.uk or call 07880 743453



27th

Rainbow Roots

Dove Barn, Manor Farm, Silver Street, Barton St David, TA11 6DB. Spring into Creativity! Enjoy indoor and outdoor activities, including games, mixed media arts and crafts, sensory play, nature based activities and mindful moments. Activities are themed around spring, with a focus on creativity, wellbeing and fun in a calm, supportive environment. 10:30am-12:30pm. For ages 5-12yrs. £9.50 per person

To book, please email hello@rainbowroots.uk



27th

Purple Elephant

Key Centre, Feltham Lane, Frome, BA11 5AJ. Family Holiday Fun! Enjoy Fimo modelling: Come and explore the world of Fimo! Healthy hot meal available for everyone. 10am-1pm. For ages 0-13yrs. £3 suggested donation.

To book, please email rebeccaharrison@purpleelephant.org.uk



27th

Wilderwoods

Wilderwoods, East Street, Drayton, Langport, TA10 0JZ. Family Play Day. Exploration, build a den, campfire, toast marshmallows, woodland crafts, stories & songs. 2-5pm. For ages 3-10yrs. £10 per child/adult. £15 per family (1 adult & 2 children).

To book, please email hannah@wilderwoods.org or call 07970 883264/07552230302



26th

Neroche Woodlanders

Young Wood, Staple Fitzpaine TA3 5AZ. Sessions begin with a fire-circle gathering, then time for families to explore and play within our flat woodland area. Activities follow seasonal themes such as identifying trees, buds, leaves, and animal tracks. We return for snack/lunch, enjoy child-led play and seasonal crafts, and take part in a small campfire cooking activity. Hot drinks are available for parents/carers, with cold drinks for children. Families bring their own food. We finish with a final circle to reflect on highlights and learning. 11am-2pm. For 2-18th birthday. £10 per family.

To book, please email sarah@nerochewoodlanders.org/ or go to www.nerochewoodlanders.org



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In the Mix
The Hub Centre, Hartswell, South Street, Wiveliscombe, TA4 2NE.
All Steam Ahead! Travel along West Somerset Railway, take part in themed games and activities, and have an ice cream by the sea.
10am-1pm. For ages 11-18yrs. £5 per person.

To book, please email
Emma.Carberry@inthemixproject.org.uk or call 01984 629510



WHAT'S ON ACROSS THE WEEK?

Tuesday 26 - Friday 29 May

Brookside Academy, Street, BA16 0PR
A variety of indoor and outdoor activities, including arts & crafts, cooking, messy and sensory play, sports and more! There will be themed activities throughout the holiday. All our activities are fully inclusive, allowing us to meet all needs. We are a wheelchair accessible setting with changing facilities. For 4-13 yrs (must be school age), 9am-3pm, £27pp. For 14-18th birthday, 9am-3pm, £30pp. Wrap around care available from 3pm-4pm. Cost £4.50pp.

For siblings:
For 4-13 years (must be school age), 9am-3pm, £24pp. Wrap around care available 3-4pm. Cost £4.20pp.

To book, please email extendedschools@brooksideacademy.co.uk or call Tom Ball on 01458 443340

27th

Children's World
Glastonbury Town Hall, Magdalene Street, Glastonbury, BA6 9EL.
Tor Theatre Presents inclusive interactive storytelling and limericks with the Mad Professor followed by Tor Theatre's brand new show 'The Rum Tour of the Moon Fleet Diamond'.
1:30-3:30pm. For all ages. £5 per child. Parent carer free.

To book, please email info@childrensworldcharity.org or call 01458 883693.

27th

The Balsam Centre
The Balsam Centre, Balsam Park, Wincanton BA9 9HB. Parking postcode - BA9 9PA.
Fun outdoor and craft activities. Something to make using natural materials. Campfire cooking. (if raining will be held indoors, craft and fun games). 10am-1pm. For all ages. £5 per family.

To book, please email
info@balsamcentre.org.uk

28th

Emma Bettridge Projects *NEW PROVIDER*
Wiveliscombe Library, TA4 2JT.
Stories in the Wilds - making up stories, on a walk, with author Emma & her dog Nell. 10:30am-12pm. For ages 5-15yrs. £3 per child, parent carer free.

To book, please call 07930846722 or email elbettridge@outlook.com

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ACTIVITY PACKS

Step4ward-in2-growth

For the May half term packs, I will be focussing on blossom crafts and nature spotter packs, along with the tailor-made element! Each pack is tailor made to keep each individual busy at home, with reading, puzzles, crafting, toys and games. All screen free activities and no special equipment needed. Hand delivered if local to Shepton Mallet or sent by Royal Mail. For ages 3-18th birthday. £3 per pack.

To order, please contact Becky on 07737 331174, email Step4ward-in2growth@mail.com

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Article 28 The right to education

Children and young people said:

- School is a place where we access support and other services. It's a place which supports our physical, emotional and mental health.
- Health services and schools should work together to help us with school attendance.

We are looking at improving the ways healthcare, education and other services for children and young people work together to better meet their needs:

- We would like to hear your views on healthcare related school absence and how our services could be improved
- If you would like to help, please scan the QR codes opposite for links to anonymously complete our surveys!

Please share your views on health-related school absence...

Scan for parent or carer questionnaire: [QR Code]

Scan for young person's questionnaire: [QR Code]

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Find out more... for useful links and tips on participation on children's rights go to www.rcpch.ac.uk/rightsmatter

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**If you have concerns about your children's wellbeing or mental health please contact me (Lizzie Reynolds) as the schools Senior Mental Health Lead.
Safeguarding (Protecting children from harm/keeping them safe)**

In school we have a duty to ensure that all children are safe and protect from harm or abuse. If we have concerns about a child's wellbeing it is our duty to look into this, talk to the family, and if need be, report it to Somerset Direct.

If you have any concerns about your child, or another, please come and speak to me. Safeguarding is everyone's business and cannot be ignored. Somerset Direct (0300 123 2224) or the NSPCC are useful points of contact, should you wish to share or discuss any Safeguarding concerns you have. Here are some useful websites recommended by our DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead – Lizzie Reynolds).

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Best wishes
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