

Chew Stoke Church School Newsletter



#### INTRODUCTION FROM THE HEADTEACHER

The school year is drawing to a close and the following days are a time for both reflecting on the past three terms and looking forward to the future. Next Tuesday, we will say goodbye and good luck to our Year 6s as they embark on the next stage of their school careers. We wish them well for the future and hope they will take with them many happy memories of their time at Chew Stoke. I hope that parents of pupils in Year 6 will be able to join us at the Leavers' Service on Tuesday at St Andrew's Church, Chew Stoke, which starts at 9.30am, and afterwards at school for some refreshments.

**End-of-year reports** are coming home with your child today, so please do check their bag. These include a summary of your child's progress and, where applicable, the results of any statutory assessments.



Earlier this Badger week Class children performed their of end term production for the parents, 'Shrek, The Musical'. The children were brilliant and certainly very

talented! The Year 6 parents have also presented the school with a games table for the playground. Thank you to all of our Year 6 parents for this fantastic gift.

Last week we received the KS2 SATs results for our year 6s. We could not have been more proud – a great set of results!. Well done to the children and to the teaching team who worked so hard. Across the whole school we have had fantastic results this year. Well done Chew Stoke!

# SUMMER TERM 2024/25

#### 17/07/2025

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Last Friday all of our pupils who have joined us this academic year were presented with a Bible and got to put a pebble in our Unity Bowl, our leavers also got to take a pebble out. We also presented the Hilary Padfield Award, which is awarded in recognition of a pupil who has demonstrated our Christian Values to the highest standard. Congratulations go to Alfie in Year 6 who was this year's recipient of the award!



May I take this opportunity to thank all the

staff for their support and dedication over the past year. Running a school is a team effort and we definitely have an amazing team here! Next week we say goodbye to one of our teaching assistants, Miss Gough, who will be leaving us to start her career as a teacher, we wish her well for her new challenge. I would also like to say thank you to our school governors who work tirelessly behind the scenes.



Last Friday the PTA held their final event of the year, the school barbeque. The event was



fantastically organised and very well attended. The PTA are still finalising the accounts but

tell me they have raised in the region of  $\pounds 2,200$  – an increase of a whopping  $\pounds 600$  on last year! This money makes a huge difference across the whole school. Thank you to the whole of the PTA for a great year and, in particular, to Anna Cooke and Vicky Lambert who have been fantastic chairs this year.

Finally, may I wish all our families a restful and relaxing summer break. We look forward to seeing you on <u>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</u> (please note that **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September is an Inset Day**), refreshed and ready for another exciting year.

## LUNCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR YEAR 6 PUPILS ON TUESDAY 22ND JULY

On the last day of term we will be serving burgers and chips for lunch (a vegetarian alternative will be available). The Year 6 leavers will be able to have their lunches in 'takeaway' boxes so that they can sit outdoors (weather permitting!) and enjoy a relaxing lunchtime with their friends. On this occasion school will be funding the cost of the Year 6's lunches, as a treat.

#### MENU CHANGES

As mentioned above, the lunch menu on the last day of this term will be burgers and chips (vegetarian alternative also available).

On the first day back in September - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - the lunch menu will be pizza. After this, the menu will revert to our new Autumn menu, copies of which are coming home shortly.

# ONE TO ONE & SMALL GROUP MUSIC LESSONS IN SCHOOL

Would your child like to learn to play a musical instrument? We have a team of music teachers who visit school every week to teach a wide range of instruments including piano/keyboards, guitar, voice, trumpet and flute. Other teachers are available to teach pretty much any instrument you can name - the choice is yours! For further details and to book lessons click here:- <u>https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/1-1\_AND\_GROUP\_GENERIC\_(148\_x\_210\_mm).pdf</u>

## PTA NEWS

No sooner do we start packing up for the summer holidays than the next event is on the horizon! This year we are running the Bar at the Harvest Home on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September, from 12 noon to 5pm. We also have the coveted Sundowner slot from 5pm to 7pm, so Save The Date and come along to support us!



# BIKEABILITY 'LEARN TO RIDE' SCHEME

The B&NES Bikeability team have launched their summer programme and still have places available for the Bikeability Learn to Ride summer training.

This module is for children who can't ride a bike, <u>aged between aged between 7 to 16 years</u> <u>old</u>.

To reserve<sup>\*</sup> a place, parents or guardians can fill out the form <u>HERE</u>

Course	Learn to ride training
Cost	£15 per rider
Duration	Two sessions of 45 minutes
Bike & helmet loan	Available and free of charge
Location	Odd Down Sport Ground cycle track Chelwood Road, Bath BA2 2PR
Dates available	<ul> <li>Wednesday 30 and Thursday 31 July</li> <li>Tuesday 12 and Wednesday 13 August</li> </ul>
Time slots available	<ul> <li>10:00-10:45</li> <li>11:00-11:45</li> <li>13:00-13:45</li> <li>14:00-14:45</li> </ul>

\*Please be aware that we operate on a first-come, first-served basis. If a place is reserved for your child, we will email you payment instructions to secure your booking.

## CHILDREN TRAVEL FREE!

Did you know that during the summer holidays under 16-year-olds (5-15) can travel for FREE on buses across WECA, that includes Bath & North East Somerset, Bristol, and South Glos.

They just simply hop on board a bus, no bus pass or registration required: <u>https://www.westofengland-ca.gov.uk/news/kids-go-free-on-the-wests-buses/</u>

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HARVEST HOME

Without volunteers on the day, Harvest Home can't run. If you can spare a hour, please sign up to help out on Saturday 6th of September. The sign up sheet can be found here:-

#### https://tinyurl.com/CSHHV25

The roles are varied and assigned on the day including manning the entrance or helping with parking.

Thank you to all previous and new volunteers! Tom Attfield

## BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS



Please click on the link at the bottom of the poster to nominate our school to win  $\pounds$ 1,000 for our school library. The more people who nominate us, the greater chance we will have of winning!

Thank you in anticipation.

## ATTACHMENT LINKS

Further items of interest can be found by clicking the following links:-

Valley Arts Summer Programme:https://www.valley-arts.co.uk/ WEMA Music Centre Activities:https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-churchschool/files/documents/Music\_Centres\_Flyer.pdf

#### Dates for your diary!

#### Term Dates 2025-26

Term 1:03/09/2025 - 24/10/2025 Term 2: 03/11/2025 - 19/12/2025 Term 3: 05/01/2026 - 13/02/2026 Term 4: 23/02/2026 - 02/04/2026 Term 5: 20/04/2026 - 22/05/2026 Term 6: 01/06/2026 - 22/07/2026

#### July 2025

 22/07/25 – Leavers' Service, St Andrew's Church, Chew Stoke

#### September 2025

• 03/09/25 – Start of Term 1