



Dear Parent/ Carer,

Well done, Year 6! You have shown resilience, commitment and great maturity throughout SATs week. You have put in so much hard work - we are all so proud of you! Go and have a wonderfully relaxing weekend with your family and friends.

Muck in May - this Sunday 10am-2pm.

Please come and join us for our annual spring tidy of the school grounds. On Sunday we will also be re-vamping our Reception Garden. This will involve demolishing some wooden structures. Wheelbarrows, screwdrivers and other tools would be useful! Bring your own gardening gloves. Refreshments will be provided.

At half term we will be saying a fond farewell to Marian Barlow, who has worked as our school Office Manager for the last 10 years. Marian has been the welcoming face of the school for so many children, parents and visitors, and has worked tirelessly behind the scenes to keep everything running smoothly. She will be greatly missed. I'm sure you will join me in wishing Marian every success in her new position with Adopt South West.

Mrs Stoddart



KILVE 2026!

When we arrived we got a lovely warm welcome from the staff. We had a tour and lugged our suitcases up the

stairs (it was hard!). Then we went to our first activity: Group A did abseiling and Group B did the low ropes. I did the low ropes first—they were fun because they helped you become a better group before doing anything else. Next we did abseiling whilst Group A went grass sledging. The abseiling was really scary at first, but it got easier as you progressed. We had dinner and played outside before having hot chocolate and went to bed at 10pm, although our dorm stayed up a bit later!



The next day we woke at 7am and got ready for the day with a delicious cooked breakfast. We did grass sledging which consisted of going extremely fast down a hill! Then we did archery which helped us practice taking aim. All I can say is the ground has many holes in it now! After supper, we went to a disco. The music was loud and everyone loved the songs and we all danced along. This night we all went to sleep on time and had a great night's sleep.

by Ffion

On the last day, our group woke up nice and early and packed ready for leaving later that day. We went for breakfast and even had a quick stop in the gift shop! We walked 20 minutes to Kilve beach and found some super cool ammonites and stones! Our instructor (Sam) told us a lot of interesting facts about the beach and what we could find. On our walk back we ate ice cream! We would like to say a HUGE thank you to Mrs Smith, Mr Bottomley and Mrs Farrow for taking us, looking after us, helping us and everything else!

by Mollie



Diary Dates

Forest School Thursdays

Class 1 21st May
Class R 4th June
Pre-school 11th June
Class 6 18th June
Class 5 25th June
Classes 3 & 4 2nd July
Classes 1 & 2 9th July
Class R & Pre-school 16th July

Reading at Home Support Meeting for parents online

18th May at 6pm
Please see Parentmail email for link

Leavers and Class Photos

Thursday 21st May

Half Term Break

Mon 25th to Fri 29th May

Years 2 & 3 Start

Swimming at Wiveliscombe Pool
Wednesday 3rd June

Class 5 Trip Science Day at Queen's College

Wednesday 3rd June

School Games Day

Thursday 4th June
(pupils only)

New Reception 2026

Starters Play & Learn 10am
Parents' Meeting 6pm
Wednesday 10th June

MSA Colour Run

Friday 19th June

MHST Transitions

Workshop Class 5 & 6
Parents 9-10am
Friday 26th June

Class 1 & 2 Trip to Puxton Park

Monday 29th June

Reception New Starters Welcome Session 1

Wednesday 1st July 11am

Welcome Session 2

Thursday 9th July 11am

Sports Day

Thursday 2nd July
(Weather back-up Thursday 16th July)

MSA Summer Fete

Friday 10th July after school

Class 6 Leavers' Assembly

Tuesday 21st July at 2pm

OUTSTANDING LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Preschool	<i>Harley</i> for your amazing letter knowledge during our Pre-school phonics sessions.
Class R	<i>Wilf</i> for your fantastic listening and his enthusiasm for our minibeast topic this term!
Class 1	<i>All of Class 1</i> for your excellent behaviour on our trip to Kingsmead.
Class 2	<i>Torin and Eliza</i> for settling in so well and trying your best in your new class.
Class 3	<i>Forest and Keir</i> for your exceptional attitude to learning this week.
Class 4	<i>Arthur, Angus and Spencer</i> for settling into Class 4 so quickly.
Class 5	<i>All of Class 5</i> for their outstanding participation and behaviour at Kilve. Well done.
Class 6	<i>All of Class 6</i> for their hard work and excellent attitude for their SATS this week.



On Monday 27th April, Classes 3 and 4 went on a trip to the Roman Baths in the city of Bath. We were very excited because we would get to do lots of activities and listen to audio guides when we visited the museum. During one of the activities, we got to dig up old Roman artefacts in the underground basement. We also did a workshop where we made mosaics and dressed up with Roman clothing! We found out lots of interesting facts during the day. Our favourite fact was when we found out that there are bubbles in the bath water because it is the only hot spring in England. We also tasted the natural spring water. It was warm but it tasted nice. We had a great trip to the Roman Baths, and we wish we could go again!

Orea and Erin, Class 4



Religious Education (RE)

Over the coming year, we will be developing and updating our RE curriculum in line with the new Somerset Agreed Syllabus. The new approach places a greater emphasis on understanding different *religious and non-religious worldviews*, and how beliefs, values and experiences can influence the way people understand and live their lives. Alongside learning about a range of faiths and traditions, children will also explore thoughtful questions about identity, belonging, morality and community.

As part of this work, we would love to provide children with opportunities to meet and learn from people with a wide range of beliefs, experiences and backgrounds. Living in a small rural community means that children's direct exposure to different worldviews can sometimes be limited, so hearing first-hand from visitors can be incredibly valuable.

If you, or someone you know, would be willing to come into school to speak with children about your religion, faith, beliefs or worldview, please do get in touch with Mr Bottomley (via the school office). This could involve talking to a small group or class, answering children's questions, or sharing experiences and traditions. We would be delighted to hear from you.



The children and staff were wowed by an incredible performance today by 'Stringfever' - a quartet made of electric violin, cello 2 violas and human beat-box! Full of energy and fun, the group thrilled the children with an amazing medley of Disney songs and finished with an extraordinary 40 tune whistle-stop tour of the history of music! Thank you to the Milverton Concert Society for organising this brilliant experience for the children. They are playing at Langford Budville this evening, so get your tickets!

<https://www.stringfever.co.uk/tour-dates> and can also be found on YouTube here: <https://www.youtube.com/@gbviolin>

The Preschool children returned after Easter to a surprise delivery from the Easter Bunny. It was our new Tonie's box! The children were slightly disappointed it wasn't made of chocolate though as they thought the Easter Bunny only delivers chocolate. The children have since loved listening to different stories and songs on a daily basis. Thank you to Milverton Stores for raising the money to fund our Tonie's box, and characters. The children and staff are very grateful!

This half term, we also have some new Pre-school pets. The children were very excited to name each of our six fish. They are called Boo-boo, Mr Hat, Banana, Water, Seal and Alan, although we are unsure which one is which! Thank you, Emily, for organising these for us.

Laura



Thank you to Janet Lennon for restoring and painting the community blocks for Class R's garden! The children have already been enjoying these so much and it is a welcome addition to the class R garden!



Art Club have been creating collage flower pictures using found materials and parts of pictures that we have created in other sessions, cutting them up to create something new. The results were striking and creative!

Mrs Hart

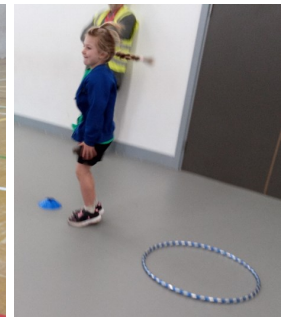


Class R would like to say the biggest THANK YOU to Milverton Sawmills. Ricky and Lee donated and delivered 4 pallets for us. We are hoping to build a 'Wonderful Water Fall' and using them on Muck In May Day!

Miss Murray

Class 2 had a wonderful time this week in Forest School exploring the pond area, identifying trees, insects and birds and developing team work and resilience building dens. Lots of creative free play took place in the mud kitchen and the woods.

Mrs Hart



Class 1 enjoyed their trip to Kingsmead to take part in a Year 1 sports festival with other local schools. It was fun travelling on the big coach. The Kingsmead team made lots of fun activities for the children to play. It was lovely to see all the children joining in and making new friends.

Ms Boullin

House Points	Weekly Total	Half Term
London Plane	2751	3184
Cork Oak	2889	3279
Blue Cedar	2166	2357
Horse Chestnut	3016	3517



Netball County Regionals Finals!

On Tuesday the 21st April, Year 5 and 6 squad netball team went to Taunton Vale to take part in the regional finals. We played 7 netball matches with teams from Bridgwater and Taunton. Our team was Martha, Isla, Freddie, Henry, Orla, Anna, Nellie C and Evelyn played. The first team we played was Parkfield we won 4 - 0. The second match we played was against Somerset Bridge and it ended 8 - 3 to us. Our next match we played was against St Mary and the score was 8-1 to us. The next match was against Enmore and the score was 7-0 to us. The next match was with North town and the score was 6 - 4 to them. Our penultimate match was against Eastover and it ended 7-2 to us and the last match was against Trull and it finished 7-3 to us! By the end, we won 6 matches and only lost one!! We scored 45 goals and the players' player was Isla. Thank you to Miss Storey for coaching us and helping us achieve this amazing result!

by Martha and Isla



DYNAMOS CRICKET



**AGES
8-11**

**GIRLS
ONLY!**

**FREE
SESSION**

**DATE:
FRIDAY 29TH MAY**

**TIME:
9AM-12 MIDDAY**

**VENUE:
WELLINGTON CRICKET CLUB,
TA21 8NE**

**USE CODE:
RWXM8**

