



‘Encourage One Another and Build Each Other Up’

1 Thessalonians 5: 11

Thankfulness	Compassion	Perseverance	Forgiveness	Courage	Friendship
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Newsletter – Friday 20th September 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have been delighted with how the children in all four classes and the pre-school have settled in to the new school year. Classes 1, 2, 3 and 4 are all really excited about our trip to Cheddar Gorge on Monday, where the children will have the opportunity to learn even more about the Stone Age. Please remember that the children need to arrive in school for 8am in order to go on the trip.



Next week, we will be sending home a pack containing the data collection sheets and a Parental Consent and Pupil Information Booklet – Please check the information, complete any missing details and return to the school office, also in the pack will be the curriculum newsletter for each class outlining the learning that will be taking place between now and Christmas. If you would like any more detail about this please feel free to discuss this with your child's class teacher.

We are due to have our individual school photos on Wednesday next week. If you would like your child to have a school Tempest photograph then please ensure you have completed and returned the consent form sent home today. Any children without consent forms will not be able to be photographed.

Best Wishes,
Mr Holding

Music Tuition

We currently have space availability for Instrumental Music Lessons in school with Mr Rogozinski, if your child has shown an interest in beginning lessons; please speak to Kelly in the office.

Pre-School

The topic for our curriculum studies this half term is 'Dig Dig Dig!' which will lead us to think about what we might discover by digging underground, particularly with regards to how people lived in the past/stone age.



Our first book for the term is the "Stick man", the children enjoyed listening to the story and got very excited when they saw Father Christmas.

The children enjoyed making a home for their stickman using a range of junk modelling materials and his family using lollypop sticks and pipe cleaners. It was lovely to watch the children with their creations - role playing using the stick people they had made.



We have also started to look at the season autumn and the colours around us. We then used these colours to do some printing using different patterned stampers. The children have also enjoyed getting messy exploring the mud kitchen and gloop.



Early Years Funding

As we start the new term we are sending out a reminder to all pre-school parents as to the different funding available. If you receive a purple ticket you may be entitled to 15 hours free funding for your 2 year old.

If you are working you may be entitled to claim an additional 15 hours funding, to take your child's hours up to 30. Information on all the funding streams are explained more fully on the attached information and is available on the website - <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>



Key Dates for the Summer Term 2019:

Monday 23rd September – Whole School Trip to Cheddar Gorge leaving School at 8am return 4.30pm
 Wednesday 25th September – Tempest Individual School Photographs
 Monday 30th September – Year 5/6 Netball Tournament SMCC
 Wednesday 2nd October – Messy Church in the School Hall
 Wednesday 2nd October – Phonics Meeting (Details to follow)
 Thursday 10th October – Reception Dance Festival SMCC
 Friday 11th October – Year 5/6 Football Tournament
 Monday 14th October – Parents Evening
 Tuesday 15th October – Parents Evening
 Thursday 17th October – Class 4 Stonehenge Visit (Details to follow)
 Wednesday 6th November – Bags2school being collected
 Thursday 14th November – Year 3/4 Indoor Athletics Festival SMCC
 Monday 25th November – Year 5/6 Bike Ability
 Thursday 28th November – Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics Festival SMCC

These dates are intended as a guide and you will be notified of any changes.

School Term Dates 2019 / 2020

Autumn Term

First Day 9th September 2019

Half-term 21st - 25th October 2019

Last Day 20th December 2019

Spring Term

First Day 6th January 2020

Half-term 17th - 21st February 2020

Last Day 27th March 2020

Summer Term

First Day 14th April 2020

Bank Holiday 8th May 2020

Half-term 25th - 29th May 2020

Last Day 22nd July 2020

Non pupil days:

- 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th September 2019
- 14th April 2020
- 23rd July 2020

School Dinner Menu week commencing 23rd September 2019

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Sweet & Sour Pork	Beef Burger in a bap	Roast Turkey & Stuffing	BBQ Chicken	Fish in Breadcrumbs
Vegetarian	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Veggie Burger in a bap	Baked Homity Pie	Broccoli & Cheese Bake	Cheese Omelette
Sides	Rice or Pasta, Peas or Baked Beans	Potato wedges, baked beans & Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes, Mash Potatoes, Seasonal Veg & Gravy	Pasta, Salad, Coleslaw or Vegetables	Golden Fries, pasta & Seasonal Veg
Dessert	Fruit & Yogurt	Jelly Whip	Fruit Platter	Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Sauce	Flapjack



**Celebration Assembly
Well Done
For receiving a
Certificate of Achievement**



Work

Class 1 – Whole Class for settling into School brilliantly

Class 2 – Lexi for being a fantastic year 2 person

Class 3 – Robert for excellent effort

Class 4 – Cameron for excellent reasoning about using the inverse to prove your answer in Maths

Contribution

Class 4 – Lucas & Marlie – Great week in School

Class 1 – Molly for a great first week in school

Pre-School – Jack, Noah & Arthur – settling in really well and into the preschool routine ☺

Discovery

Endeavour

Enterprise

Voyager

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After school club for pre-school and up to the
end of Year 2

Wednesday 2nd of October 2019
3.30 - 4.45 pm
in the school hall

Parents and Carers are welcome to join us
and take part.

We will be offering some craft and activities
based around a Bible story
and a short celebration.

If you are not on the list and would like to
attend - Please let Mrs. Eastman know by
the 25th of September so that we have
enough snacks and crafts available.

Thank you, Sue and Adrian Wells



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Community News





FIREWORK DISPLAY
With Disco
AT THE SPORTS CLUB WITHERIDGE
In aid of Make a Wish Foundation

Family disco starts at 7pm - Firework display starts 8pm followed by disco.
 Fancy dress optional.
 Burger van on site - Hot/Cold Drinks.
 Guy Fawkes Competition - bring your Guys to the club on Thursday 31st Oct 7-9pm to be entered also buy a ticket on the night for prize of switching on the fireworks

FRIDAY
1st
November

£3.50 Child (5-16yr), £5 Adult (16+yr), Under 5's FREE,
 Family ticket 2 Adults & 3 Children £20.00

Message from the Sports Club
 There will be a private disco from 5-7pm for toddlers, preschool and primary school aged children
 £3.50 per child to include a hot dog, squash & cake.
 Club will open at 7pm for the general public.
 This year we are raising money for Make A Wish charity (same as the fun day).

Witheridge Brownies and Guides Meet here at Witheridge School
 From 6.30pm until 8.00pm
 On a Tuesday night,
 During the term time.

Brownies are for girls aged 7 – 10
 and Guides are for girls aged 10 – 15

We would welcome a few more girls to attend our group at Witheridge,
 If your daughter is interested in joining Brownies or Girl Guides please contact - Carole Chapple on 01884 855329 - or you can register on the Girl guiding website

Table tennis, pool, table football, games, art and craft, cooking café/tuck shop

Witheridge Youth Club

For anyone in year 6 or above
 7-8.30pm £1
 Church Rooms
 2nd and 4th Thursday each month.
 For more info see Andrea at the newsagents or our facebook page.
 September 12th and 26th
 October 10th and 24th
 November 14th and 28th
 December 12th

Supported by our local Churches. Joint events with other youth clubs
 ...fireworks, camp & more