



Weekly Update: 24th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 29th January	MFL Day: Chinese New Year (Mandarin language)
Thursday 30th January	Water workshops for Discovery, Camelot & Blenheim
Thursday 30th January 9am	PFSA Drop-In Cafe
3-9 February	Children's Mental Health Week: Express Yourself Days: Monday- Pippin; Tuesday- Gala & Discovery; Wednesday- Maigold; Thursday- Camelot; Friday- Blenheim
Monday 10th February	Maigold Sharing Morning
4-10 February	Book Fair (4th/7th Front Playground; 5th/10th Back Playground)
Tuesday 11th February	Gala Sharing Morning
Thursday 13th February	Pippin Sharing Morning
17th-21st February	HALF TERM
Tuesday 4th March	Shrove Tuesday- Pancake Day- PTA Pancakes for 50p or 1 PTA bus
Wednesday 5th March	Pippin Class Trip to Magdalene Farm; Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day (Info to follow)
7th-16th March	Science Week 'Change and Adapt'
Wednesday 12th March 2pm	SENDCo and PFSA Drop-In Cafe
Thursday 13th March	CLP Cross Country (Years 3-6) Info to follow from Mr Bridgeman
Thursday 27th March	Maigold Class Trip to Carymoor Environmental Centre
Thursday 27th March	Camelot Sharing morning
Friday 28th March	PTA Mothers' Day Pop Up Stall
Saturday 29th March	PTA Family Bingo at the Village Hall
Monday 31st March	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 1st April	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 2nd April 6-7.30pm	Information Session for Parents/Carers: Online Safety & Social Media. Book via: https://forms.gle/6ZT7kJBEgD5h8Xk17
Thursday 3rd April	Last Day of Term; Easter Service at St Andrew's Church (9.15am); PTA Easter Raffle
Friday 4th April	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
4th – 21st April	EASTER HOLIDAY
Tuesday 22nd April	First Day of Summer Term
Thursday 12th June	Discovery Class Trip to Vivary Park

Dates and INSET Days for Academic Year 2024/25

- Spring Term (First half): Tuesday 7th January- Thursday 13th February
- INSET Day: Friday 14th February 2025 (Community Learning Partnership Joint INSET)
- HALF TERM BREAK: 17th-21st February
- Spring Term (Second half): Monday 24th February- Thursday 3rd April
- INSET Day: Friday 4th April 2025 (Same as Huish Academy)
- EASTER BREAK: Monday 7th April- Monday 21st April
- Summer Term (First half): Tuesday 22nd April- Friday 23rd May
- HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 26th May- Friday 30th May
- Summer Term (Second half): Monday 2nd June- Wednesday 23rd July

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Mental Health Week- Message from Mrs Monk

Children's Mental Health has always been a priority for us at school. We know that in order for children to thrive and make progress, we must ensure they are ready to learn emotionally and mentally.

While this is key in everything we do every day, we are excited to be able to celebrate the national Children's Mental Health week this year from 3rd-9th February.

The theme this year is: 'Know yourself, to grow yourself'.

The aim of this theme is to encourage children and young people to develop their self-awareness; to be accepting of themselves and explore what this means to them. Overtime, this will help to build resilience and allow children to develop self-help skills to manage challenging times during their life.

With this theme in mind, we thought it might be good for the children to come to school in non-school uniform on a designated day that week to explore self-expression. The children can come in wearing whatever they feel most comfortable in, whether that be in a football kit, as a superhero or anything else in between!

The designated days for each class are as follows:

- Pippin - Monday
- Maigold - Wednesday
- Gala - Tuesday
- Discovery - Tuesday
- Camelot - Thursday
- Blenheim - Friday

The only thing we do is ask is for no hair dye or nail varnish as it could be there for the whole week.



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Crash Course

Half Term
17 - 21 February

Lifestyle Fitness Swifens School

Swim England

BE MORE YOU

WHEN YOU'RE WITH THEM

Calling All Girls - We Want YOU!

your team rugby
Get involved at findrugby.com

SOMERTON RUGBY CLUB

- Girls rugby sessions
- Somerton Rugby Club
- From Jan 26th
- Every Sunday from 9.30am to 11am
- All abilities Welcome
- Contact Helen 07852543232
- £3/session (first two sessions Free)

SOMERTON RUGBY CLUB

LET'S CREATE

Join us at our creative Playdays across South Somerset this winter

FREE WINTER PLAYDAYS

Expect...
Professional Workshops
Creative Crafts and Fabulous Face Painting

Free Playdays: 17 Feb (Westlands, Yeovil); 18 Feb (The Memorial Hall, Wincanton); 19 Feb (Ridgeway Hall, Langport); 20 Feb (The Guildhall, Chard)

Lates

We are aiming to reduce the number of pupils who arrive late.

Class	Number of lates last week	Number of lates this week
Pippin	1	0
Maigold	1	4
Gala	2	1
Discovery	2	3
Camelot	0	2
Blenheim	3	3
TOTAL	9	13

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Please remember that being late can lead to your child:

- Feeling embarrassed in front of their friends
- Missing the beginning of vital lessons making them fall behind
- Missing important instructions for the rest of the school day
- Learning bad habits which could affect their employability in the future
- The impact of being just a little late can accumulate to a loss of learning time.
- The wellbeing and progress of our pupils is our priority, and we know that absence from school is often a sign that additional support may be needed.

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Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days worth of teaching lost in a year
5 mins	3.4 days
10 mins	6.9 days
15 mins	10.3 days
20 mins	13.8 days
30 mins	20.7 days

Overall attendance (School target 96%): 94.11%

Highest attendance: Maigold (94.6%)

Most improved: Maigold

Celebration

We were able to welcome parents/carers to our celebration assembly today. Well done to the following pupils:

Class Cup Awards

Pippin: Mally
Maigold: Razan
Gala: Trixie
Discovery: Ailsa
Camelot: Freddie
Blenheim: Olivia

Lunchtime stars

Pippin: Finn
Maigold: Elsie
Gala: Louis
Discovery: Archie
Camelot: Darcey S
Blenheim: Toby H

50 Dojos

Camelot: Daisy, Ellie-Mai
Blenheim: Toby H

Courageous Advocacy: Raising Funds for Others

Sienna, Rose and Emily (Blenheim class) told us about their fundraising plan for Cancer Research on 7th February, when they will be walking to school (4 miles), leaving very early that day.

Brooke, Evie and Mia (Blenheim class) are organising a cake sale for Merriot Majorettes Troup. We look forward to being able to buy their cakes after school soon (Info to follow).

Achievements outside of school:

Skiing award: Olivia (Blenheim)

Have a good weekend.

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