



## Weekly Update: 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Dates for your diary

<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Pippin Sharing Morning
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 3.15pm</b>	Pupil Cake Sale- Mia, Brooke and Evie charity fundraiser
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>STAFF INSET DAY- School closed to pupils</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Shrove Tuesday- Pancake Day- PTA Pancakes for 50p or 1 PTA bus
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Pippin Class Trip to Magdalene Farm; Ash Wednesday Service 9.15am (All welcome)
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World Book Day (Info below)
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Maigold creative parent session (Info to follow)
<b>7<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Science Week 'Change and Adapt'
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2pm</b>	SENDCo and PFSA Drop-In Cafe
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	CLP Cross Country (Years 3-6) Info to follow from Mr Bridgeman
<b>W/B 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	ASSESSMENT WEEK
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	National Child Measurement Programme (Reception and Year 6)
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 8.50am</b>	Blenheim Sharing Morning
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Maigold Class Trip to Carymoor Environmental Centre
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 8.50am</b>	Camelot Sharing morning
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	PTA Mothers' Day Pop Up Stall
<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	PTA Family Bingo at the Village Hall
<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Parents' Evening
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	Parents' Evening
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	Reception Vision Screening
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 6-7.30pm</b>	Information Session for Parents/Carers: Online Safety & Social Media. Book via: <a href="https://forms.gle/6ZT7kJBEgD5h8Xk17">https://forms.gle/6ZT7kJBEgD5h8Xk17</a>
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	Last Day of Term; Easter Service at St Andrew's Church (9.15am); PTA Easter Raffle; Pooky's cafe for regular readers
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
<b>4<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<b>EASTER HOLIDAY</b>
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	First Day of Summer Term
<b>23/24 April</b>	Year 6 Bikeability
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Discovery Class Trip to Vivary Park

### Dates and INSET Days for Academic Year 2024/25

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

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The half term has passed quickly, with the longer days starting to make us feel a little more spring-like. Tomorrow (Thursday) is our last day as on Friday teachers have an INSET training day with our Huish Community Learning Partnership Schools where we will be learning about metacognition and the use of AI in education- exciting stuff! It has been good to feel the community buzz of the 'sharing mornings' and book fairs, attracting you into our wonderful school. We are so fortunate to have positive, productive working relationships with our families, evident in our thriving pupils. We hope the children enjoy their break, and hopefully you will have some time to enjoy with them too! A shorter weekly update today, as we have a short week and no celebration worship- I have included some activity information which you might find useful.

### Medication in School

School staff want to support you and your child/ren with medication when required. We also have a responsibility to keep everyone safe. Some children have Individual Health Plans which outline the support we give to children (E.g. For diabetes). Ideally other prescribed medication (E.g. Antibiotics) should be given outside of school hours, but if this is unavoidable please contact the school office who will ask that you complete an administering medication form (We will keep the medication locked away). In the case of non-prescription medication, we request that you only ask us to administer such medication if absolutely necessary and if there is a good medical reason to do so- please contact the school office who can help you- in such cases Mrs Pook will need to authorise. Pupils must never bring their medication in and administer themselves without our knowledge.

### World Book Day- Thursday 6th March 2025

On World Book Day, children are welcome to come dressed as their favourite book character. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to express their love for literature and to showcase their creativity. Whether it's Harry Potter, The Gruffalo, or a character from their favourite Roald Dahl story, we can't wait to see the wonderful costumes!

In addition to dressing up, we would like children to bring along a book to share with the class. This could be a story they cherish or a new favourite they've discovered.

We are also excited to introduce a fun and exciting competition - creating a story in a jar! This involves children representing a favourite book inside a jar using small objects, pictures, or even drawings that signify different elements of their tale. You can google 'story in a jar' to find some inspiration. There will a prize for the winning jar in each class.



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## FAMILY HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES at WELLS CATHEDRAL

### MEDIEVAL MASTERPIECES

Discover highlights of Wells Cathedral and make souvenirs to take home!

#### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Wonderful Windows

Take inspiration from the beautiful Cathedral windows to make your own artwork.

#### Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Cosmic Clock

Experience the wonders of our Astronomical Clock and make a souvenir of your visit.

#### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Creations in Clay

Explore the Cathedral carvings in wood and stone, then make a clay boss to take home.

**FREE** with adult entry. No need to book – simply drop in on the day!

*(There is no charge for children. Standard adult admission tickets include re-entry for **12 months** from date of purchase, so you can enjoy access to a number of seasonal events, including exhibitions and Family Holiday Activities beyond your initial visit.)*

Sessions take place in the Cathedral or Education Room from 10:30am – 3:30pm.

*Please note that children must be accompanied by a responsible adult and only assistance dogs are allowed at these activities.*



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Take care everyone.

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