



Cheddar First School and Preschool

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What a Busy Week!

This week, we have been celebrating both Storytelling Week and Children's Mental Health Week. The storytelling opportunities culminated in our fabulous Book at Bedtime event and it was so lovely to see so many of our children attending in their pj's and accompanied by their favourite bear! We hope that they enjoyed the event as much as we did and a big thank you to members of our FPTA and the school staff who enabled it to take place! See some pics overleaf!

School Uniform

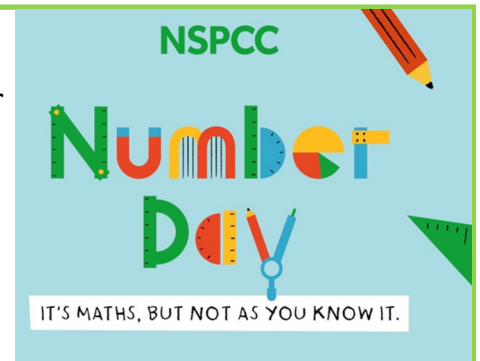
We are currently reviewing our uniform and would love your feedback. Please click [here](#) to share your ideas – I promise it will only take a few minutes but it will be really helpful to us! Whilst this review is taking place, please can we ask that children refrain from wearing hooped or dangly earrings for safety reason and follow the uniform policy as much as possible. It always looks so smart when our children wear their uniforms with pride and it really does alter their attitude to learning for the better! As always, if your child has additional needs that mean that this is not possible then of course adaptations can be agreed on together. Thank you so much for your support on this.

NSPCC's Number Day is Back!

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on Friday 14th February 2025.

We have planned a fun day of maths activities and will be taking part in *Dress up for Digits*. Please can pupils wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!) Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme.

Donations to the NSPCC would be most welcome. The money we raise at Cheddar First School will make an enormous difference to children today and will help the NSPCC be there for children tomorrow www.justgiving.com/page/cheddar-first-school-11



Team Talk – Mindfulness

To run alongside Children's Mental Health Week, we have been talking about mindfulness and what strategies the children can use to keep every aspect of their bodies healthy - more information is on Dojo!

Books at Bedtime Event!



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Congratulations!

Our 'Be Proud Certificates' this week have been awarded to...

Angelica - Chicks

Ada - Fledglings

Emma - Earlybirds

Kit - Wren

Tilly - Robin

Chloe - Kingfisher

Roman - Goldfinch

Poppy - Woodpecker

Maisie - Skylark

Rudi - Falcon

Blake - Kestrel

Syd - Owl

Oscar - Swan

Freddie F - Puffin



Cheddar First Preschool

Once upon a time.... Children in Preschool have been enjoying stories with different adults in different places to celebrate National Storytelling Week.

Thank you for listening to our bedtime stories on Tapestry and taking part in changing your child's story book this week.



Dates for your Diary

10 th & 12 th February	FPTA: Name the Valentine's Bear. Playground, 3:30pm
11 th February	Safer Internet Day
13 th February	Year 1 Parent DT Session. 9:10am
14 th February	NSPCC Number Day Mufti (Last day of term)
14 th February	FPTA: Puffin Class Cake Sale. Playground, 3:30pm
17 th - 21 st February	Half-term
29 th April	NHS Height & Weight Checks for Reception
21 st -23 rd May 2025	Year 4 Trip to Great Wood

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ATTENDANCE

If your child is absent from school please notify the school office on a **daily basis**. Our 24-hour telephone line is 01934 742546 or email office@cheddarfirstschool.co.uk Where possible, we would encourage any appointments to take place after school or that your child attends school before or after the appointment. It goes without saying that the more days your child is in school, the more they will learn and we all want the best for your children.

Term Dates 2024/25

Term dates and In-service days for 2024/25 are on the website www.cheddarfirstschool.co.uk Please note holidays in term time cannot be authorised.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about a child and would like to talk to a member of staff in private, please make an appointment:

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs Smith

Deputy Designated Leads:

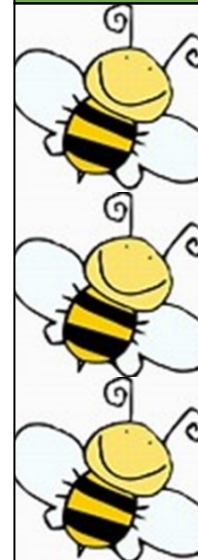
Mrs Griffin, Mrs Favre & Mrs Wade

As parents, you can contact support agencies directly on:

NSPCC: 0800 800 5000

Somerset Direct: 0300 123 2224

NSPCC: [Keeping children safe online](https://www.nspcc.org.uk)



Be Safe

Be Ready

Be Respectful