



Cheddar First School and Preschool

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It has been lovely to see so many of you at Parents' Evening this week where you could hear all about your child's learning and how you can best support this at home too.

Thank you so much for supporting this event as I know how important it is.

The children have also been out and about this week with trips down to St Andrew's Church. Thank you so much to the church for making us feel so welcome, the children really enjoyed coming. I can't quite believe that next week is the final week of term but there is still lots to fit in so enjoy a restful weekend and we will see you on Monday!

Green Spaces Update!

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the Green Spaces volunteer session last Sunday.

An amazing **16 children** and **22 volunteers** enjoyed planting over a hundred plants in the front playground!

The plants were donated by parents, grandparents, neighbours, local people and Bouquet Florist so a big thank you to everyone!



Thanks to the Mendips Hills Fund grant, we were also able to install a new greenhouse in the Fledglings garden and 3 new bird nest boxes in various locations

Thank you everyone for making this such a success!



Team Talk – Moods and Attitudes

This week, the children have been continuing to think about how their mood and attitude can affect others. They have been discussing how they can alter their moods and think positively.

Children in **Kestrel** drew story boards to retell the story of Easter, following our Year 3 visit to **St Andrew's Church** and a workshop about Easter and the Christian belief Salvation.

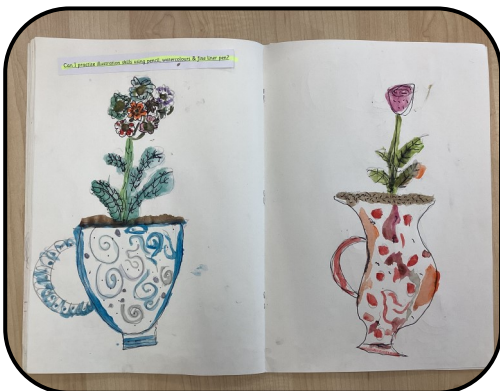


The **Robins and Wrens** have had another exciting week welcoming baby bunnies into their outdoor area as part of their topic 'Ready, Steady, Grow'.

A memorable experience for all!



On Wednesday, **Year 2** were treated to an **Art Masterclass** with the fabulous Polly (Nancy's mum) where she demonstrated how to use a combination of pencil, watercolours and fine liner pens to create wonderful illustrations of seasonal flowers. The children were so excited and have produced some incredible pieces of art!



Next week, Year 2 will be creating their own versions of Polly's work and holding an exhibition in the Scout Hut after school on Thursday where they can display their masterpieces!



Congratulations!

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

Grace - Chicks	Ollie - Woodpecker
Alys - Fledglings	Max - Skylark
Francesca - Earlybirds	Harvey - Falcon
Riley - Wren	Henry - Kestrel
Jessie - Robin	Thea - Owl
Holly - Kingfisher	Evelyn - Swan
Theo - Goldfinch	Iwan - Puffin



Cheddar First Preschool

In Preschool, we have been exploring media in lots of different ways to help us understand the world around us.

Chicks have been finishing their

Spring topic with a special focus on Mummy's this week whilst Fledglings have been learning all about snails!

Earlybird's have been joining in with saying the cycle of the butterfly. Children have drawn little eggs on a leaf, wrapped sticks to spin a cocoon and created butterflies in different ways as well as dancing with scarves to music!



Dates for your Diary

Friday 4 th April	FPTA - Goldfinch Cake Stall
Friday 4 th April	Last day of term
5 th - 20 th April	FPTA - Easter Trail (More info to follow...)
Tuesday 22 nd April	Bristol Zoo Project - Reception
Tuesday 22 nd April	Year 4 Great Wood Residential Meeting. 3:45pm
Friday 25 th April	5:30 -6:45 Year 3 Opera evening performance
Tuesday 29 th April	NHS Height & Weight Checks for Reception
Friday 9 th May	FPTA - Summer Party 4-7pm (More info to follow...)

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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:

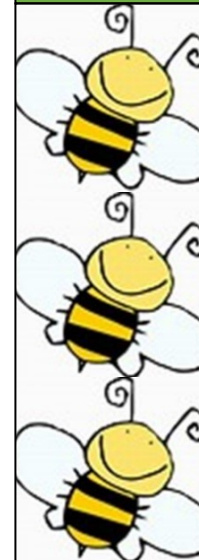
Mrs Griffin, Mrs Favre & Mrs Wade

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