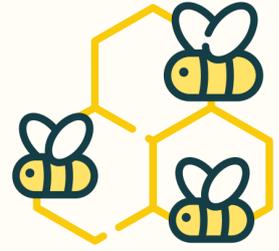




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# School Newsletter

Issue No. 2

12<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## Message from Mrs Smith:

This week has been our first full week of the new academic year and it has been fantastic welcoming our new Reception children as they start the school journey with us. Well done to all of the brave mummies and daddies who remembered to wave them off with a smile and I have to say the children look incredibly settled already, which is testament to all of you and our wonderful Reception Team!

Other exciting news this week is the election of our new House Captains! The application process was very thorough with interested children filling out an application form. It was lovely to read them all and to see the huge effort and thought that had been put into them so well done to each child who applied.



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

## Be Proud!

Ladybirds	All of the new children!	Goldfinch	Rosa
Bumblebees	All of the new children!	Woodpecker	Sammy
Caterpillars	Ennis	Skylark	Rosemary & Ted
Butterflies	Libby	Falcon	Zac
Wren	All of the new children!	Kestrel	Whole Class!
Robin	All of the new children!	Swan	Thea
Kingfisher	Macie	Puffin	Rudy M

## Team Talk

This term in **TeamTalk**, we are continuing to focus on **transitions and starting new things**. Through this week's social stories, discussions and short activities, the children have explored their feelings around new beginnings, friendships, routines, and teamwork. Our aim is to build confidence, resilience, and a positive classroom community as we continue to settle into the new academic year.

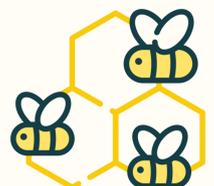
# This week in School!

The children in **Reception** have been settling into their new classes this week. We are very proud of everyone!

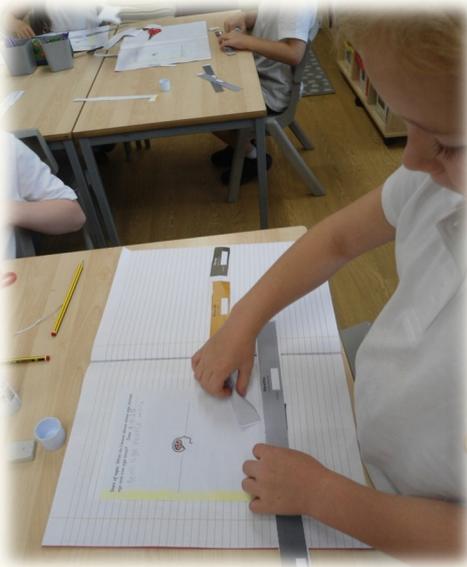


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# This week in School!



Children in **Kestrel** class have been great Historians, making timelines to place the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age in chronological order.



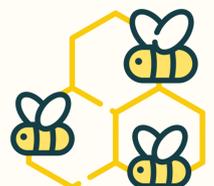
Children are delighted with our newly painted mural depicting plant and animal life from around the world and a world map.

A huge special thank you to Liz and Ness from InkJam for spending over 200 hours to create it, to Seed Sedgemore & Petruth Paddocks for sponsoring the project and to our FPTA for match-funding.



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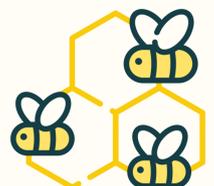
# This week in School!

In Kingfisher class, we have been very busy this week! Discussing our likes and dislikes, practicing our number formation, painting portraits and practicing being mindful in yoga.



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# This week in School!

FREE “Reducing the impact of separation on everyone” course for Separated Parents:

<https://supportservicesforeducation.co.uk/Article/176375?source=Newsletter&guid=5AAB8DD4-8EE2-45D3-866E-AB6F40556327>

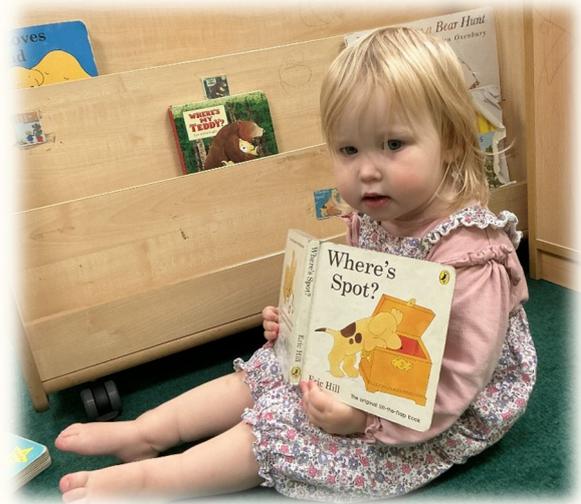
## This week in Preschool!

We have had a lovely week in Preschool welcoming new friends and helping everyone to settle in with new adults, routines and resources.

Children have been exploring inside and outside spaces, impressing us with their confidence to try new things.

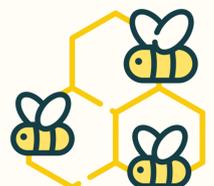
Across the rooms, we are starting our enquiry topic of ‘Me and My Community’.

You can keep up to date with learning in each room with our Tapestry memos.



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**WEAR  
JEANS  
CHANGE  
LIVES.**



## Jeans for Genes Day - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

We are proud to support Jeans for Genes Day to raise funds for children and families affected by genetic conditions.

Children are invited to wear jeans with their normal school uniform top next Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

If you are able to, please donate here: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/cheddar-first-school-13>

## Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
w/c 15 <sup>th</sup> September	All After School Clubs start
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Falcon Swimming starts
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Jeans for Genes Day. More info to follow...
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Kestrel Swimming starts
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	3:30-4pm for meet the teacher. More info to follow...
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu Vaccinations. More info to follow...
15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 3 & 4 Trip to the Museum of Somerset. More info to follow...
22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents' Evenings. More info to follow...
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Last day of term
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET Day
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	First day back!

## Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you are concerned about a child and would like to talk to a member of staff in private, please make an appointment with one of the team via the office.

**Designated Safeguarding Lead:** Mrs. Smith

**Deputy Designated Leads:** Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Wade

As parents, you can also contact NSPCC 0808 800 500 and Somerset Direct 0300 123 2224



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