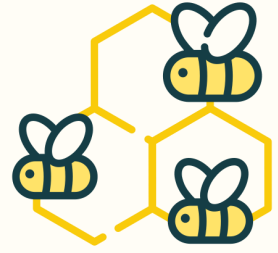


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School Newsletter

Message from Mrs Smith:

What a Busy Week!

This term has continued to be busy with lots of wonderful activities taking place. It was fantastic to welcome our new Reception parents to their first meeting on Wednesday and to share all the information about starting school. The most exciting part though, was obviously finding out which class their child was going to be in and who their teacher will be! We are so excited to be getting to know you all in the coming weeks!

Transition will start for all children next Wednesday with their first visit to their new classes for story time. We realise this time of year can be nerve wracking for our children and their families but we are confident that by putting in this extended transition period with multiple visits to their new class before the summer holidays, children will go into the holidays happy and settled.

This week, we also welcomed a lovely librarian into school who came to tell the children all about this year's Summer Reading Challenge-Read to the Beat! It is completely free to join and there are lots of great activities and incentives to get your child reading over the holiday – so why not sign up today? Details overleaf!

Finally, weather permitting, we will be having our annual Sports Day on Friday next week. We are really looking forward to welcoming as many of you as possible so you can join in on the fun and cheer and support your child and their team. Please note that there will be no parking at school for this event so please think ahead and either walk or park further away in the village. Many thanks for your support with this. More details later in the newsletter.

Be Proud!

Ladybirds	Isla S	Goldfinch	Ada & Lyla
Bumblebees	Esme	Woodpecker	Jaxson
Caterpillars	Tilly	Skylark	Margot
Butterflies	Isabel & Elijah	Falcon	Nicky
Wren	Dexter	Kestrel	Gracey
Robin	Jonah & Deedee	Swan	Ezra D, Linden & Walt
Kingfisher	Riley	Puffin	Ned, Emily K & Rea

Team Talk

This term, the focus is on how we can keep ourselves safe. This week, children explored the difference between happy surprises and unsafe secrets. They learned that anything worrying, uncomfortable or unsafe should always be shared with a trusted adult.

Mosaic Tiles!

Linked to our Inquiry topic, Kestrel class have been busy making mosaic tiles to learn about an aspect of life in ancient Roman civilisation.



Book Fair!



We had another fantastically successful Book Fair this week with people choosing a wonderfully broad range of things to read.

We sold £1011 worth of books which gives us cashback rewards of over £500 to spend on books for our school library.

Thank you so much for your generosity and we hope you enjoy the titles your children have selected!

Summer Reading Challenge!

Caroline from our local library service came in and told our children about the summer reading challenge - details enclosed.

[Read to the Beat! 2026 Summer Reading Challenge Book Collection Announced - The Reading Agency](#)



Sports Day!

Sports Day – Next Friday Afternoon!

We are really looking forward to our Sports Day next Friday afternoon and hope to see lots of families there to help cheer the children on!

Parents and carers are welcome to arrive from 1:15pm for a 1:30pm start.

Children should come to school dressed and ready for Sports Day in their PE shorts and trainers, along with a T-shirt in their house colour:

- Mason – Red
- Honey – Yellow
- Patchwork – Green
- Carpenter – Blue

With the weather forecast looking very warm, a water bottle and sun hat are essential for all children. We are also in the process of acquiring additional gazebos to provide shade and will ensure that plenty of drinking water is available throughout the afternoon. If you are able to loan us a gazebo the event, please speak to the office.

Please note that, due to the predicted temperatures, we will make a decision on the morning of Sports Day as to whether it is safe for the event to go ahead and will communicate this with families as soon as possible.

At the end of Sports Day, children will return to their classrooms and should be collected from there as normal. For safeguarding reasons, no child should leave directly from the field. We appreciate your support with this and thank you for helping us ensure all children are safely accounted for.

We are looking forward to an afternoon of fun, teamwork and sporting spirit. Now all we need is some sensible sunshine and plenty of cheering!

Both the Honey Bees and Patchwork Bees emerged as joint winners last year meaning the trophy has proudly displayed yellow and green ribbons ever since!

Who will prevail this year? Join us next Friday afternoon to find out!



This week in Preschool!



All Aboard! This week, we have been learning about different types of transport whilst singing songs and listening to stories. Children created tracks, set up small worlds and learnt about different places we travel to.

Butterfly Room loved having an artist visit with children taking part in a clay workshop to explore texture.



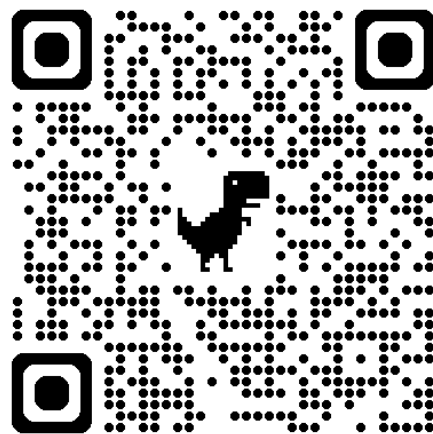
New Catering Provider!

Move to Aspen's - Action Needed!

As communicated in the Dojo post last Wednesday, we will be moving to a new catering provider in September.

We kindly ask all parents scan or click on the QR Code to complete the required form.



All of the details are in the parent letter which can be found [here](#)





FPTA: Movie Night!


A blue poster with white stars and yellow diamonds. At the top is a red cinema ticket stub that says 'ADULTS ONLY ONE ADMIT ONE CINEMA SEAT ONE'. The main text reads 'MOVIE NIGHT! THURSDAY 25TH JUNE 4-5.30PM CHILDREN TO BE SIGNED IN AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE AFTER SCHOOL'. Below this are two cartoon characters: a red and white striped popcorn bucket and a red cup with a yellow straw. At the bottom, three white stars contain the text 'INSIDE OUT 2', '£5', and 'HOPPERS'. At the very bottom, it says 'TICKETS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE- HTTPS://CHEDDAR-FIRST-SCHOOL-FPTA.SUMUPSTORE.COM/PRODUCTS'.


  Movie Night is Back!

  Join us on Thursday 25th June, 4:00–5:30pm for a fun-filled movie afternoon!

 Choose between Inside Out 2 or Hoppers

 Tickets include popcorn, sweets & a drink

 Limited tickets available – don't miss out!

 Buy yours here:
<https://cheddar-first-school-fpta.sumupstore.com>



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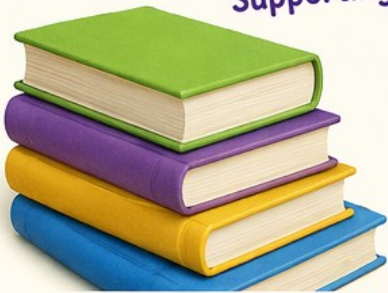
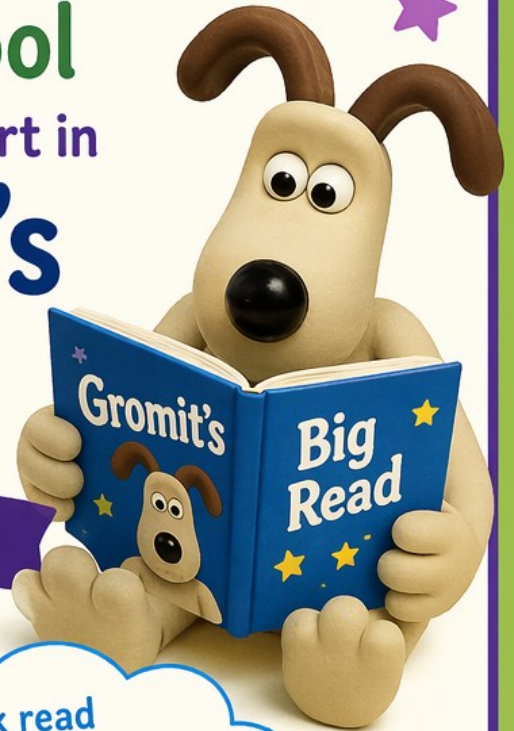
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Term Dates

The term dates for 2026-27 can now be found on our website here:

https://cheddarfirstschool.co.uk/dates-news-letters/calendar_n/

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Tuesday 23 rd June	School Class Photos. More information to follow...
Thursday 25 th June	Movie Night!
Friday 26 th June	Sports Day! 1:15pm - 3pm
Wednesday 1 st July	Year 4 Transfer Day to Fairlands
Friday 3 rd July	Year 1 Trip to Chew Valley Animal Park
Wednesday 8 th July	Year 3 Sports Festival. More information to follow...
Thursday 9 th July	Year 4 Leavers Service & BBQ
Monday 13 th July	Year 4 Wells Singing Festival
Friday 17 th July	Last day of this academic year!
Monday 7 th September	First day of the new academic year!

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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