



**Newsletter
Term 1
Friday 22nd September 2023**

Dear parents and carers,

What a busy week it has been across our sites. Along with our usual activities, our year 6 children have been on camp at Mendip Outdoor pursuits: our year 4 crew have completed Bike ability courses; some of our year 3 children took part in a Multi skills festival and our year 3 and 4 Hewish children were invited to watch a performance of Detective Dog organised by the North Somerset library service!

A huge thank you to all the staff that gave up their time to attend camp this week. I only stayed over last night and I am completely exhausted so all the staff who stayed for the whole week or part of the week are truly amazing! They deserve a good rest this weekend. It is such an honour to spend time on camp with our year 6 children and we are very proud of them all – They really did show maturity, confidence and resilience as they undertook a number of activities throughout the week. The weather did not hinder the smiles or enthusiasm. Please check out our Twitter feeds to see photos of camp. Staff do their absolute best to ensure that all children are included in these photos but we may occasionally miss someone – please bear with us- it isn't always easy! We are looking forward to seeing all these staff and children back on Monday.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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SCHOOL DINNERS



Thank you to everyone who has registered with the school meal ordering system and we hope that everyone is getting used to the process now – it appears to be working well. It would really help the Aspens catering team if you could please ensure that your child knows what meal has been ordered. Just a reminder that if your child is absent from school and you have pre-ordered their lunch, it is your responsibility to login to the app and cancel the lunch before 9am otherwise it will use your credits. If anyone has any queries please ask the office crew.

<https://select.aspens-services.com>

FREE SCHOOL MEAL APPLICATIONS

There are two schemes for free school meals:

- universal infant free school meals for all children in reception year, year 1 and year 2 – you don't need to apply as they're automatically given at the school
- free school meals for people on qualifying benefits – you'll need to apply for these

If you claim qualifying benefits and your child is entitled to universal infant school meals, you should still apply for free school meals so:

- you're eligible for other financial assistance for items such as after school clubs
- the school can receive funding for the free school meals

For more information on qualifying benefits and to apply follow this link:

<https://n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/schools-learning/local-schools/free-school-meals>

If you would like to talk to someone about this or would like support completing the form please ask our learning mentors Rachel Few, Rachel Atkinson and Lucy Davison who will be more than happy to help.

REACH MORE PARENTS (WEDUC)



All communications from school are sent via Weduc and you will receive email notifications or alerts from the app (Reach More Parents) which you need to install in order to view the information. Payments for clubs, trips and events are also made using this app. If you need any help setting this up please ask. The app is available to download in your app store or you can find more help here: <https://www.reachmoreparents.com/parent-support>

ANTI-BULLYING

On Friday 29th September our Anti-Bullying Alliance Ambassadors have planned a 'Feel Good Friday'. The purpose of this is to celebrate our uniqueness and differences and to raise self-esteem across our school. On this day children are invited to come to school wearing a 'bright' accessory with their usual school uniform. This might be a bright pair of socks, a colourful hair ribbon or a bright badge. Children should still be in the correct uniform but can brighten up our school for the day by adding a colourful accessory if they would like to.

KENYA HOPE CHARITY



Above: New Malanga Kitchen Above: harvest of maize cobs
THANK YOU ST ANNE'S CHURCH ACADEMY
Below: excited pupils receiving their pen pal letters



This poster from the Kenya Hope Charity shows how the money we raised through our sponsored Walk for Life has been used to improve the lives of the children at Malanga Primary School in Kenya. The children in Malanga primary school were delighted to receive letters from our Year 2 children.

We will be taking part in another sponsored Walk for Life on Wednesday 20th March next year to raise money for next year's crops and a new school kitchen so that every child can receive a hot school meal every day at school.

The children are loving having this link with the children in Malanga and we are looking at other ways we can learn more about the school and area and explore other ways we can support them.

NEW UNIFORM SUPPLIER

Our uniform supplier will be changing from NK Sports to Price & Buckland in line with all the schools in our trust. More information will be sent out in October. Watch this space!

UNIFORM REMINDER

Thank you for supporting your children to follow our uniform policy. They have all returned to school looking very smart. The full uniform policy is available on the website.

<https://stanneschurchacademy.co.uk/parents/uniform/>

Jewellery should not be worn including wrist bands. Only very small, discrete round studs should be worn. Children will be kindly reminded not to wear any unsuitable or large earrings or hoops and may be asked to remove them. Hoops and earrings that protrude the earlobe can be a health and safety hazard particularly at playtime or during PE.

We have a range of preloved uniform including coats and shoes available on both sites. Please ask the admin team or learning mentors if you need any uniform.

On PE days, correct school PE kit can be worn in place of school uniform- this should be **plain black** leggings, shorts or joggers, plain white T-shirts and school sweatshirts only. Trainers should only be worn on PE days and should be **black** or **white**. PE hoodies can be worn on PE days. Class teachers should have informed you of your child's PE days. Please contact your child's teacher for information about PE days.

Please ensure all uniform is named. Children take items of clothing off and they get left on the field and playground. If they are named, they can be easily returned. We had a very large collection of unnamed uniform at the end of last year which we have added to the preloved collections. **Please name everything.** Please continue to support your children to follow the uniform expectations at all times.

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding is the most important role that we all have. All staff have attended updated Safeguarding training at the beginning of term.

The Designated Safeguarding lead at our school is our principal, **Emma Hardy Smith**. Deputy Safeguarding Leads are Diane Martin (SENCo), Ian Phillips (Vice Principal) and Rachel Few (Learning mentor)

If you have any concerns, please share them with any of the safeguarding team.

Our safeguarding governor is Kate Sargent Kate.sargent@saca.theplt.org.uk

Our school website has lots of safeguarding information and many links to other helpful sites.

The North Somerset safeguarding partnership has lots of useful information for parents and carers available.

Please click on the link below for additional support.

<https://www.nsscp.co.uk/resources-parents-carers>

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 4th October – Nasal flu immunisation @ Hewish

Monday 9th October – Nasal flu immunisation @ WW

Thursday 5th October – Busy Bees – For all parents (Hewish and WW) Information Evening for Phonics and Early Maths 5.30pm @West Wick

Thursday 5th October – Imago photography - Individual/sibling photos @WW

Friday 6th October – Imago photography – Individual/sibling photos @ Hewish

Thursday 12th October – Last day of Term 1 for children

Friday 13th October – INSET day

Monday 30th October – First day of Term 2

Friday 1st December – PTFA Christmas fair

Tuesday 12th December - Busy Bees' Nativity Performance @ WW 2pm.

Friday 15th December - Busy Bees' Nativity Performance @ H 2.30pm.

Wednesday 20th December – Last day of Term 2


NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE



Are you looking for excellent nursery provision? We still have a few places left at Little Learners @ St Anne's. Please contact us for more details. 01934 520461

INFORMATION

Are you a previous student of PRIORY COMMUNITY SCHOOL ACADEMY? Are you a member of the Worle community or involved with a business in the area? Are you a local resident looking to make a difference? PCSA are creating a group of positive minded individuals who want to link with the school & help to make the community a better place. Please join them on Sept 28th between 4pm and 6pm for some food, music and to have a look around.



Welcome Event!
A chance to meet PCSA
staff and PTA
THURSDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER
4pm - 6pm @ PCSA
EVERYONE WELCOME
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