



# Weekly Update

CORE VALUE:  
JUSTICE

## CALENDAR 2024/2025

### NOV

- 19th PCSO Visit
- 21st - 28th Book Fair
- 21st Y6 Judaism Visit
- 22nd Computational Thinking Cup @ Millfield
- 26th Rags 2 Riches Collection
- 27th Y6 SATs Prep Meeting

### DEC

- 1st Shrek Jnr Sunday Rehearsal

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Thank you to all our pupils and special guests for making our remembrance service on Monday so poignant and moving. I would, however, like to offer my heartfelt gratitude to those pupils who read to the whole school, our team of cadets who marched the school banner to our cenotaph and to our extremely brave soloist who played the Last post and Reveille fantastically well. They all brought a sense of gravitas to this special moment of reflection and thankfulness. Being part of a school service with over 700 participants collectively showing their respect is something which stays with you and reinforces how lucky I am to be associated with such a great group of adults and young people. Well done and thank you to all our pupils and parents who helped us support Children in Need this week. The pupils were in good spirits in their array of Mufti outfits and have helped raise over £600. I am sure that this will help positively impact the lives and experiences of those children and families who need that support as they face difficult or challenging situation.

As you will know from our communication last week, we had a visit from our Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) inspector. We will of course share with you the outcome of this inspection when we receive it.

Well done to our year 8 sports leaders who organised and officiated the girls First school football festival at Wedmore this week. The leaders had a great time and the girls competing played extremely well and with great steam spirit. Well done also to our year 6 rugby team who hosted Fairlands. Both teams enjoyed a competitive game which was narrowly won by HS.

Finally, well done to all our year 6 pupils who have been showing off what they have learnt and can remember in their first practise assessments. This is a really low stakes way for our pupils to experience the end of Key Stage 2 statutory assessments in May and get familiar with the style of the questions and the depth of knowledge and understanding that is required. Their conduct and effort was exemplary and our teachers are super proud of their performance.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes Paul Tatterton

## BOOK FAIR

21st - 28th NOVEMBER IN THE LIBRARY

Children visit the book fair during their library lessons as well as at break and lunch. They will be issued with paper slips to bring home with their book/stationary choice and the price(s) thereof.

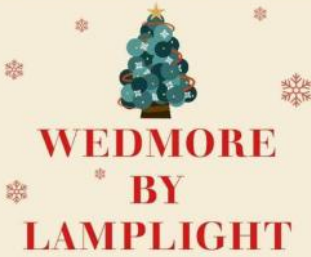
If you wish to purchase the items, please pay the exact sum via your **Parentpay account**:

- Select the Book Fair option
- Include your child's name and tutor group and book details
- including the title, author and price of the book/ stationary that you would like to order.

All purchases must be paid for via **Parentpay by 4pm on Friday 29th November 2024**. We cannot accept cash.

Books will be issued directly to the pupils week commencing **16th December 2024**.





### WEDMORE BY LAMPLIGHT

We have been invited to perform at the Wedmore by Lamplight event at St Mary's church on Wednesday 11th December at 5.15pm. If your child would like to perform at this event they will need to attend the after school Singing Club on Wednesdays.

### FIXTURES

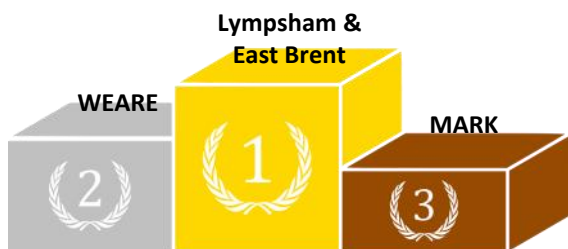
#### GIRLS' FOOTBALL FESTIVAL - YEARS 3 & 4

#### YEAR 6 RUGBY

This was held at the Wedmore Astro-pitches. It was a beautiful autumnal evening and great conditions for football. Fifteen keen sports leaders travelled by mini bus to the event and were raring to go. Weare, East Brent, Lympsham and Mark schools attended this event accompanied by their team of supporters. The matches lasted for twenty minutes and the year four girls resembled the Lionesses as they dribbled, kicked and headed the ball. also witnessed some some great saves by the keepers . Whilst the main matches were being played the sports leaders played "tag type" games to keep the pupils warm. The atmosphere was most inspiring- happy, active youngsters.

Well done to the year 6 Rugby side who put in a strong performance against a well organised Fairlands team. In many ways the game was evenly matched with both sides embracing the chance to play full contact rugby. No quarter was given and both teams had to work multiple phases before a try scoring opportunity was available. The strength of Hugh Sexey's rucking proved a point of difference and they were able to recycle the ball very quickly. This was shown on 2 occasions when Harry and Lilly made strong carries and then presented the ball for a new wave of attackers to break through and score. In the end Hugh Sexey just had a bit more experience and were able to work a number more scoring opportunities. Tries were scored by Freddie George (6), Woody (3) and Jack. Fairlands scored 3. Thanks to Fairlands for a great game and many thanks to Mr Down for refereeing the game.

The overall result is outlined below.



Thank you to all the teacher and support staff for their help with this event. Looking forward to our next festival which is the first school gymnastics on 4th December.





# christmas disco

KS2 - MONDAY 9, DECEMBER  
KS3 - TUESDAY 10, DECEMBER  
6PM - 8PM

Please make a payment of £6 on ParentPay

Soft drinks, sweets and homemade gifts will be available to purchase on the night.

Please do not drop off your Child before 6pm and collection is only permitted from inside the school hall

Due to Health and Safety our numbers are strictly limited to 300

HUGH SEXEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

# CHRISTMAS MENU

ROAST TURKEY  
PIGS IN BLANKETS  
OR

CAULIFLOWER BAKE  
QUORN CHIPOLATAS  
WITH

ROAST POTATOES  
CARROTS & PEAS  
TOPPED WITH GRAVY

CHOCOLATE BROWNIE  
OR

CHRISTMAS ICED SHORTBREAD BISCUIT  
OR

MINCE PIE

SERVED WITH A DRINK

PLEASE MAKE A PAYMENT OF £4 AND SPECIFY YOUR CHILD'S MENU CHOICES ON PARENTPAY BY DEC 4TH

DEC 16TH	DEC 17TH	DEC 18TH	DEC 19TH
V8	V7	V6	V5

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

There will be no KS2 Football training after School this **Wednesday 20th November**

There will be no KS2 Rugby Club on **Tuesday 19th November**

Sports Leaders is cancelled on **Wednesday 27th November** due to Staff Training

## YEAR 5 REMINDER.

In the games lessons boys will be swapping to Hockey and Girls will be on Rugby.

**Hockey** - HSMS Shorts/skort, Reversible Games top, Red/Black sports socks, Trainers. Gum Shield. Shin Pads. Optional HSMS Hooded sweatshirt, Dark coloured tracksuit trousers.

**Rugby** - HSMS Shorts/skort, Games top, Red/Black sports socks, Football/Rugby boots. Optional HSMS Hooded sweatshirt, Dark coloured tracksuit trousers. Gum shield



## CALLING ALL CAST MEMBERS

SUNDAY REHEARSAL - 1st DECEMBER 2024  
10am—2pm

Please bring the following

- Costumes - If you have them
- Lunch, snack and a drink
- Warm clothes





## VACANCIES

For all current vacancies please follow the link to [Wessex Learning Trust](#)

## YEAR 6 SATs INFORMATION EVENING REMINDER

**Wednesday 27th November**  
**5.30pm to 6.30pm**  
Main Hall

Discussion will cover the following topics

- The breakdown of the Maths & English papers.
- Initiatives we will be working on in school to help build confidence.
- Available resources to support pupils' progress.
- Ways that help can be given at home.

## THERE'S STILL TIME TO DONATE CHILDREN IN NEED 2024



Follow the link below to donate via ParentPay [Children In Need 2024](#)



Our school is raising money by collecting reusable clothes.

Please help us by donating your unwanted reusable clothes and accessories. Donated items become affordable clothing and accessories.

**WE ACCEPT CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY, REUSABLE CLOTHING**

- Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing
- Jewellery and Accessories
- Paired Shoes and Footwear
- Belts and Handbags

A full list of reusable items is listed on our website [www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk](http://www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk)

**WE DO NOT ACCEPT**

**POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHES. PILLOWS, DUVETS, CURTAINS, BOOKS CDs OR ANY UNIFORM**

Please use the clothing bag provided. You can also use any additional bag if required.

Collection Date:

**TUESDAY 26th NOVEMBER 2024**

Please remember - NO UNIFORM



## HSMS Values in Action @Home



Next Week in Picture News

### Why is discovery important?



### Wb 18th November 2024

A discovery of more than 6,000 ancient Maya structures, including a city of pyramids, has been named Valeriana. Hidden by jungle canopy in the Mexican state of Campeche, the city was discovered by chance. A student at Tulane University, in the US, found the city with the help of Lidar, a light detection technology, that uses lasers to map landscapes

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share what your definition of 'discovery' is with someone at home. Ask what their definition is.
- Can you think of any big discoveries in the world made during your lifetime? Ask others at home whether they can recall any. Talk about the impact each had.

### Invitational Prayer:

Dear God  
Thank you for the wonders of your Creation and for the amazing things people have built and discovered, Help us stay curious, respect what has come before, and use our gifts to make the world better.  
Amen

### HSMS Christian Value and Virtue next week:

**Curiosity and Democracy**

**Bible Link:**

**Proverbs 25:2**

**British Value and Protected Characteristic:**

**Mutual Respect and Tolerance - Race**

**UN Rights of the Child:**

**#17 Access to Information**