



Weekly Update

CORE VALUE:
ENDURANCE

CALENDAR 2025

JANUARY

- 13th KS2 Parents Evening (Online)
- 14th Y8 - Options Assembly Y9 KOW
- 15th Mini Police
- 15th Y5 Science Visit - Space Detectives
- 16th Y7 Artist Visit
- 16th Y5 Carymoor Visit to School
- 16th KS2 Parents Evening (In school)
- 17th Y8 Digital Design Workshop
- 20th Y8 Parents Evening (Online)



It is with mixed emotions that I am writing this update to inform you of my decision to retire at the end of this academic year, after 34 years in the teaching profession and 10 years as the Headteacher here in this brilliant school and amazing community.

When I reflect on my career, I feel incredibly fortunate to have been part of this wonderful school community for so many years. From my very first days as a teacher to my time as Headteacher, I have witnessed tremendous growth, both in the school and importantly within myself. The relationships I have been so fortunate and privileged to be able to build with pupils, colleagues, and families have been a constant source of inspiration and joy. I never take for granted how lucky I have been to be part of the stories of so many families.

It has been an honour and privilege to watch thousands of children thrive, grow, and succeed over the years. Together, we have celebrated milestones, overcome challenges, shared sadness and created countless wonderful memories. I am deeply proud of all we have achieved as a community, and I am confident that the school will continue to flourish under the leadership of my successor and the dedication of our exceptional staff. Our school moto of 'Together we believe. Together we achieve', is

fundamental to this shared commitment and will, I am sure, ensure that each and every member of our school community continues to have a place in our hearts and will be supported to thrive and succeed.

I have come to recognise and understand that retirement is bittersweet, and whilst I will truly miss the daily interactions with our fabulous pupils, brilliant staff, and obviously you as our parent body, I am really looking forward to spending more time with my family and having enough energy to pursue other personal interests.

I feel incredibly grateful for the opportunities I have had to contribute to this school's legacy, and I will leave knowing that its strong ethos and underpinning values will be in good hands.

Finally, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for your ongoing contribution throughout the years. Your trust and partnership have been invaluable, and I am so grateful for the opportunity to have worked alongside such a committed and caring group of parents. This is a wonderful community that has supported me, challenged me, and helped me grow both personally and professionally. As I leave this chapter behind, I can not help but feel immense gratitude for the people who have made it so meaningful. Hugh Sexey will remain in my heart forever and I will cherish the memories that have helped shape me as a person as I embark on the next phase of my life, with no bells and timetables. I am not sure how long it took Pavlov's dogs to adapt from their conditioned behaviour but I am sure that it will take some time for my body clock to adjust and not be governed by gaps in lessons.

Obviously, I am here for the rest of the academic year and will do everything in my power to support our pupils ongoing growth and ensure a smooth transition for my successor. However, if you have any questions or would like to reach out, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Love and best wishes

Paul Tatterton

YEAR 8 PARENTS EVENING

The SchoolCloud Parents Evening Booking system for Year 8 will open at **7pm on Monday 13th January.**

Year 8 Parents' Evenings will be as follows:-

- Monday 20th January 2025 - Online only
- Thursday 23rd January (4pm—6:30pm) - Face to Face appointments in school

To book your appointments please click the link to the SchoolCloud [here](#)

Bookings close on Monday 20th January 2025 at 13:00pm

Hugh Sexey C of E Middle School

Parents' Evening System

Welcome to the Hugh Sexey C of E Middle School parents' evening booking system. Appointments can be amended via a link from the email confirmation - please ensure your email address is correct.

Your Details

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| Title | First Name | Surname |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Email | Confirm Email | |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | |

Student's Details

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| First Name | Surname |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Date of Birth | |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

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Year 8 Choices Evening

Tuesday 4 February 2025
5.00pm - 7.00pm

We warmly invite Year 8 Students and Parents/Carers to attend for September 2025 entry



Welcome meetings will be held in the Main Hall at 5.00pm for surnames A to H and 6.00pm for surnames I to Z



All Subjects will be open from 5.00pm – 7.00pm

You are invited to visit each option subject. Our subject specialists will be delighted to answer any questions you may have.

We look forward to meeting you

Spud man Potato Day

30TH JANUARY £2.60

TOPPINGS
CHILLI & CHEESE
CHICKEN CURRY
TUNA MAYO / SWEETCORN
BEANS & CHEESE
SOUR CREAM & CHIVE
COLESLAW & SALAD

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FREE BITE-SIZE WORKSHOPS TO HELP SEPARATED PARENTS SUCCESSFULLY COPARENT



Somerset Children & Young People Health & Wellbeing

Please encourage your parents to come along to these free online sessions. The focus for each session is to give parents practical tools they can use to help themselves, and their children cope better with their separation/divorce. There are 3 bite-size workshops focused on different topics, they are welcome to come to all 3 – there are 2 of each so their ex-partner can also go along.

| Date & time | Topic | Link |
|--|---|---|
| Wednesday 15 January 9:30 AM-10:30 AM your | A separated parents' guide to successful coparenting communications | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1073000546519?aff=oddtcreator |
| Wednesday 15 January 2 PM-3 PM | Managing handovers and transitions for separated parents | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1073028389799?aff=oddtcreator |
| Tuesday 21 January 2 PM-3 PM | Helping your children navigate separation and divorce | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1073078549829?aff=oddtcreator |
| Thursday 23 January 9:30 AM-10:30 AM | Managing handovers and transitions for separated parents | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1073084758399?aff=oddtcreator |
| Wednesday 29 January 7 PM-8 PM | A separated parents' guide to successful coparenting communications | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1073016704849?aff=oddtcreator |
| Tuesday 4 February 7 p.m.-8 PM | Helping your children navigate separation and divorce | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1073104998939?aff=oddtcreator |

[Somerset children & young people : Health & Wellbeing : Support For Separated Parents](#)

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EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS & ACTIVITIES –SPRING TERM

All extra curricular clubs and activities will begin from Monday 13th January, please see the programme for the Spring Term on our website via the link [T3-Spring-Clubs-Activities-2025.pdf](#).
Clubs are free to attend (unless stated) and there is no sign up required.



YEAR 8 HPV VACCINATION THURSDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2025



The Somerset SAINT team will be coming to Hugh Sexey Middle School on **Thursday 6th February** to issue the HPV Vaccination to all consenting Y8 pupils. A letter with the form link has been sent to Year 8 Parent/carers and is also be available on the school website [Hugh-Sexey-HPV-Letter.pdf](#) . Parents/Carers, please use this form to inform Somerset SAINT if your decision is a **Yes or a No** to the vaccination, which keeps your child’s records up to date. If you are unable to access the decision form link, please contact Somerset SAINT directly on 0300 323 0032 or email SomersetSaint@somersetft.nhs.uk

HSMS SUPERSTARS

Over the Christmas break Thea (7RMK) and Millie (8AD) represented Hugh Sexey Middle School at a NSEA competition in show jumping, they both jumped brilliant rounds resulting in them qualifying. An amazing achievement girls, well done



Y5 MINI POLICE

Wednesday 7th January saw the first session of the Y5 Mini Police. We received our uniforms, lanyards, caps and police pen. PCSO Nathan Chard of Avon and Somerset police told us all about his role and we discussed other roles within the police force. The children asked lots of questions and had the opportunity to investigate other roles through a matching task. We are looking forward to seeing what the next few weeks bring.





BERROW JFC

FOR YEAR 7 PLAYERS

OUR U12 YOUTH FOOTBALL TEAM ARE RECRUITING TRAINING-ONLY PLAYERS IN PREPARATION FOR NEXT SEASON.

WEDNESDAYS, 5-6 AT TKASA.
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT IAN HOWGATE THROUGH THE WEBSITE:
WWW.BERROWJUNIORFOOTBALLCLUB.CO.UK/CONTACT

WE ARE ALSO RECRUITING FOR A U12 GIRLS' TEAM, PLEASE ALSO USE THE ABOVE LINK.

An opportunity to join a well-established, family-friendly club.
<https://www.berrowjuniorfootballclub.co.uk>



BERROW JFC

For Girls in Year 7

Our U12 coaches are looking to recruit more players for a new girls' football team starting next season. The current season will be training only and friendlies. Wednesdays, 5-6 at TKASA.

All abilities welcome.

For more information, please contact:
Steve: stevennelson55@yahoo.com
or
Emily: emilyrmoreton@hotmail.com



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YEAR 5 STAR GAZING EVENING WEDNESDAY 15TH JANUARY 6PM—8PM

For those pupils that have signed up for the event please be reminded of the following:

- You must be accompanied by a Parent/Carer at all times
- Wear warm clothes as most of the activities are outside.
- Attendance can be from anytime between 6 & 8pm, you do not have to stay for the whole 2 hours if you do not want to.

HSMS Values in Action @ Home



Next Week
in
Picture News

Wb 13th January 2025



UK Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer, has stated that building new homes is a 'top priority.' The government has announced changes to planning rules, aiming to make it easier to build homes in the countryside. Local areas have been set targets to deliver a total of 370,000 new homes each year in England

Things to talk about at home ...

- What type of home do you live in? What are the advantages of where you live? Is there anything you find difficult about it?
- Talk about the area around your home. What facilities are there?
- Ask an adult whether they know of the nearest 'green belt' areas close to where you live.

Invitational Prayer:

Dear God

Help us to make good choices, Help us be strong, kind and loving, Thank you for being part of the foundations that we build our lives upon,

Amen

HSMS Christian Value and Virtue next week:
Endurance and Determination

Bible Link:

Matthew 7:24-27

British Value and Protected Characteristic:

Democracy and Age

UN Rights of the Child:

#27 Food, Clothing, A Safe Home