



Weekly Update

CORE VALUE:
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CALENDAR 2025

MAY

- 5th **BANK HOLIDAY—
School Closed**
- 6th **Y5 Bikeability Day 1**
- 7th **Y5 Bikeability Day 2**
- 7th **Y6 Parent/Pupil
Maths Workshop**
- 12th - 15th **KS2 SATs
Assessment**
- 16th **Y6 Fun Friday**
- 20th **Harry Potter Trip 1**
- 21st **Harry Potter Trip 2**
- 22nd **Y7/8 Airbus Trip**
- 22nd **Y6 Heights & Weights
Check**
- 23rd **Last Day of Term
MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY**

JUNE

- 2nd—6th **KS3 EOY Assess-
ment Week**

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2ND MAY 2025

What a glorious week of blue skies, sunshine and of course our massive fields being open for active play. I hope that that you are all enjoying the extended days and sun-drenched evenings together.

As ever, it was fantastic to welcome so many of our Key Stage 2 parents and carers to our remote and face to face Parents' Evenings this week. I hope that you found the meetings useful and were able to discuss with our staff the brilliant progress that your children are making through their hard work and endeavour. I know that it has come as a shock to so many year 5 parents that the year is already accelerating towards the end and that they will be soon talking about starting year 6, whilst our year 6 pupils are ready to show off in their SATs, enjoy a great trip to Warner Bros. studio and the Harry Potter tour as well as their residential before concentrating on their big move into Key Stage 3! These are really exciting times.

It was also great to welcome back lots or really tired but inspired year 8 pupils from their 4 day trip to Belgium and France. Each one that I have spoken to delighted in telling me about the profound impact of the trip and their favourite bit. I also want to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues and volunteers who gave up their family time and adequate sleep freely to provide our pupils with this wonderful experience. The responsibility of taking pupils abroad and looking after them all day is stressful and hard work, but they have told me, worth all the effort. Congratulations and well done to all those pupils from across the school who took part in the UK maths challenge this week. I know that the complex mathematic problems really stretched your thinking and application and I hope that when they are externally marked you will be able to celebrate your excellence in this curriculum area. We will of course share these outcome when we receive them.

Despite next week being shorter with Bank holiday Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday see year 5 pupils taking part in their bikeability course and our year 6 pupils joining us at the mathematics workshops on Wednesday after school.

I hope that you all have a brilliant extended weekend and that the weather remains kind.

Love and best wishes

Paul Tatterton

Y6 RESIDENTIAL PARENT/PUPIL INFORMATION EVENING

Mrs Le Hunte will be holding a Parent information evening for Parent/Carers on Tuesday 6th May from 4:30pm. The meeting is to confirm all trip details, activities, kit lists, behaviour expectations and answer any questions you may have.



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

SINGING CLUB - Restarts Wednesday 7th May

YEAR 5 MULTI SKILLS FESTIVAL - Wednesday 7th
May 4 -5:15pm - No sign up required
This event will be run by our Sports Leaders



LOOP EXIT; INBOUND PRIORITY

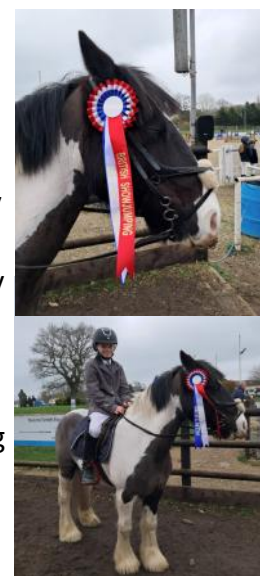
Please can we remind drivers using the loop, that, as per the signage, the exit to the loop requires drivers to give way to inbound traffic. It is especially important for drivers to remember that the inbound cyclists and pedestrians are children, and that they have priority and should not be required to stop to allow vehicles to exit the loop. Your cooperation to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our young people is greatly appreciated.



HSMS SUPERSTARS

SHOWJUMPING

Theo W in Y8 competed in The British Show Jumping Just For Schools Championship at The David Broome Centre in March. He was the only rider flying the flag for Hugh Sexey School and he came 12th out of 55 riders in the 90 final and 7th out of 40 riders in the 80 final. He rides his speedy Cob Turbo Dave and there was fierce competition but they held their own with claps and cheers from lots of Turbo Dave fans as well as The Kings of Wessex riders and supporters whom gained a team 3rd. He has competed for Hugh Sexey Middle school for the last four years and in August when he rides at the National Championships that will be the last time representing Hugh Sexey School before leaving and then switching to The King's of Wessex Team from September.



SOMERSET GIRLS FOOTBALL

The Isle of Wedmore U11 girls football team, which includes 6 Hugh Sexey's Year 6 girls, won the Somerset League plate at the weekend, beating Bishops Lydeard 4-0 in the final.

Molly E, Elsa G, Jess H, Flossy H, Olive R-A and Sophia H along with the rest of the team worked hard throughout the competition beating several teams over many weeks, they not only played some amazing football but also displayed some brilliant teamwork and sportswomanship throughout. A well deserved win for the girls and a great achievement they should all be proud of. Erin Bloomfield who plays for AFC Bournemouth Women presented their awards - big well done to all the girls.



SPLASH & DASH - INTRODUCTION TO TRIATHLON

Cousin Success!

William W (7RMK) and Flossy H (6IB) competed in last weekends 'Splash & Dash' competition at Sidcot School. Both had decisive wins in their run phases, with William also coming away as overall Y7 winner in the combined event. A great achievement!





JUNIOR MATHS CHALLENGE—WEDNESDAY 1ST MAY 2025

A huge well done to the 100+ pupils from years 5,6,7 & 8 who took part in this years Junior Maths Challenge. The challenge is an hour long and consist of 25 multiple choice questions. It encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought and fluency to make students think. The pupils can score a total of 135 marks from the paper. To recognize the highest performers in the Challenge, we award the top-scoring 50% of participants Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates in the ratio 3:2:1. Students that are 'Best in Year' or 'Best in School' will also receive a badge to denote this on their certificates. Students not amongst the high scorers will receive a Certificate of Participation. The top scoring 1,000 – 1,200 students will qualify to sit the Junior Olympiad. Around the next 10,000 will qualify to sit the Junior Kangaroo (UK Schools only)

All pupils tried really hard and we look forward to finding out the results later on this term.



Y8 BATTLEFIELDS TOUR 2025

45 of our Y8 pupils left Hugh Sexey in the early hours of Thursday morning to travel to Belgium for the Battlefields trip. The four day trip allowed the pupil to immerse themselves into every aspect of life during war times. The weather was perfect for the duration of the trip and pupils came home buoyant with stories from the amazing sights they had seen and the memories and new friendships made. Huge thanks to the staff team who accompanied them.





Taster day on:
 THURSDAY
 15TH
 MAY
 £260

VACANCIES

- **Teacher of Art (Maternity Cover) - Closes 19.05.25**
 - **Facilities Manager - Closes 23.05.25**
 - **Facilities Operator - Closes 23.05.25**

For full details please go to the vacancies page on our website
[Hugh Sexey Church of England Middle School](#)
 or via the careers site on Eteach

[Careers at Hugh Sexey C of E Middle School - Wedmore, United Kingdom, BS28 4ND | eteach](#)

WEDMORE FESTIVAL

Our 2025 Festival is running from May 10th to the 18th - Tickets are selling out fast.

[Wedmore Festival event tickets from TicketSource.](#)

Next Week
 in
 Picture News

HSMS Values in Action @ Home



Wb 5th May 2025



The government has recently announced that a theme park will be built in the UK, due to open in 2031. The brand-new Universal theme park will be the first in Europe, located in Bedfordshire, England. Universal Pictures is a US entertainment company, well known for creating movies such as Sing, Despicable Me, Shrek and The Grinch. It currently has five theme parks across the world, with plans to build more.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your response to the news about a new theme park in the UK with someone at home. Is it somewhere you would like to visit?
- Have you been to any other theme parks? Have others at home? If not, would you like to?
- Can you think of a place that is special to you? What makes it special?

Invitational Prayer:

Dear God
 Thank you for the wonderful places around us that bring joy and excitement. Help our community to grow strong and welcoming, like the mustard seed in Jesus' story. Guide us to always include others, share joy and work together as part of your Kingdom
 Amen

HSMS Christian Value and Virtue next week:

Joy & Honest

Bible Link:

Luke 13:18-19

British Value and Protected Characteristic:

Individual Liberty & Disability

UN Rights of the Child:

#12 Respect for Children's Views