



# WEEKLY UPDATE

CORE VALUE: JUSTICE

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14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week's Remembrance observance was a powerful reminder of the strength found in unity, courage, and compassion. Whether through our two-minute silence, reflection assemblies, or the quiet thoughtfulness of our pupils, the sense of collective respect was tangible. My sincere thanks go to all who helped shape those moments — from parents and carers who supported pupils in understanding the significance of remembrance, to pupils who ensured the day was marked with dignity and care. Acts of remembrance connect us across generations, reminding us that service, integrity, and kindness endure — values that sit at the heart of our work here each day.

This week marked the start of the Key Stage 2 assessment window; the effort and focus of our youngest pupils has been noteworthy, particularly given the grotty weather and many suffering with coughs and colds. These assessments provide an opportunity to celebrate progress already made as well as helping teachers identify where further support and guidance is needed. I would be grateful to you all in reinforcing our rhetoric to pupils that "your best is ALWAYS good enough". Whatever the outcome on a given day, if we try our best we should be proud of our efforts. A passage I read this week chimed with the effort and resilience I have seen first hand among the pupils this week.

"Courage does not always roar; sometimes it is the quiet voice at the end of the day that says, I will try again tomorrow." – Mary Anne Radmacher

Assessments aren't everyone's favourite thing to do, but so many skills and so much character and resilience can be developed through approaching them with a CAN-DO attitude; in many ways, the ability to focus and invest effort towards something worthwhile is as important a life skill as the technical learning itself. We are really proud of everyone's effort so far so please find a moment to say well done to your children this weekend.

Children in Need, today was a lovely way to finish the week and gave us a final opportunity to reflect and remember those who are perhaps less fortunate than ourselves. Thankyou to all who managed to donate via the link, I will be delighted to pass the money onto such a good cause over the coming days.

I hope you all enjoy a brilliant weekend.

Matt Drew

## CALENDAR 2025

### NOVEMBER

19<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> School Cross Country Festival

20<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Travelling Book Fair

27<sup>th</sup> Y6 Iris Segall Visit

27<sup>th</sup> Y7 Cheddar Gorge Trip 1

28<sup>th</sup> Y7 Cheddar Gorge Trip 2

29<sup>th</sup> Wellington Maths Challenge

### DECEMBER



1st KS2 Rocksteady Concert

8th Y5 House Matches (P4&P5) B:Hockey/G:Rugby

## CLUB CANCELLATIONS

No KS3 Rugby Club or KS2 Rotational Sports Club on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November due to a fixture.

## CHILDREN IN NEED 2025



A huge thank you to everyone who has donated, at the time of writing we have raised a staggering **£825** towards this very worthy cause.

If you would still like to donate please use the link below

[Children in Need 2025 - JustGiving](#)

## HAPPY HEALTH HOLIDAYS

### WINTER 2025

The Happy Healthy Holidays programme will be running from 22<sup>nd</sup> December - 2<sup>nd</sup> January for families in receipt of Free School Meals.

Information will be sent out from Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Follow the link below to see what's on

[HHH Winter 2025 - What's On](#)



## CHRISTMAS DINNER 2025

Payment is live from Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November

15<sup>th</sup> December - Year 8

16<sup>th</sup> December - Year 7

17<sup>th</sup> December - Year 6

18<sup>th</sup> December - Year 5

Payment of £4.50 to be made on MCAS which includes a drink and a cracker

You can select your option on MCAS of Turkey, Veggie, Vegan, Dairy Free or Gluten Free.

G/F - will have a choice of Both

Vegan - Vegan Quorn Fillet

Dairy Free- Normal Main Meal unless veggie which will also be Vegan Quorn Fillet

Orders to be placed by 28<sup>th</sup> November



## CHRISTMAS



### TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE!

Please purchase via the **STORE** on MCAS under "tickets"

KS2 DISCO MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER @ 6PM

KS3 DISCO TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER @ 6PM

### UNNAMED - LOST PROPERTY

Please make sure **all** your child's clothing/PE Kit & possessions that come into school are clearly labelled so the reception team can return them.



### ABSENCE NOTIFICATIONS ON BROMCOM

All 'on the day' absence notifications can be sent in to school via the following

- Bromcom app,
- School absence line [01934 712211](tel:01934712211) or
- email [school@hughsexey.org.uk](mailto:school@hughsexey.org.uk)

All future dated absences **must** be sent in via the school email as these need to be approved by the Headteacher.

Many thanks for your continued support

## SCHOLASTIC BOOKFAIR

We are excited to announce that the Scholastic Book Fair will be running in the library from Thursday 20th November to Thursday 27th November 2025.

Pupils will visit the Book Fair during their library lessons as well as at break and lunch. They will be issued with a paper wish list to bring home with their book/stationary choice and the price(s) thereof.

If you wish to purchase the items, please pay via the website: [www.travellingbooks.co.uk/pay](http://www.travellingbooks.co.uk/pay) or by scanning the QR code on the wish list below by **Friday 28th November**. Please also complete the form via the link <https://forms.office.com/e/h2LqTDDgvR> to include your child's name, tutor group and purchase details (including the title, author and price of the book/stationery).

Books will be issued directly to the pupils week commencing 14th December 2025.

Please note a selection of 13 plus books will also be available at the Book Fair. These are aimed at our older pupils, however, there are no restrictions on buying these titles and this will come down to parental preference. Please see the attached list.

Thank you for supporting this event



### VACANCIES

#### TEACHING STAFF

- KS2 TEACHER
- KS3 COMPUTING/ICT 0.6
- KS3 ENGLISH 0.4

#### SUPPORT STAFF

- HLTA MATHS
- LSA – SEND

All vacancies can be viewed on the Wessex Learning Trust

Vacancies Page [Wessex Learning Trust](https://www.wessexlearningtrust.co.uk/vacancies)

### LOCAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD VACANCIES

We currently have 2 vacancies for a volunteer roles of Parent Local Partner (Formerly Governor) at the school.

If you feel you have the enthusiasm, time and energy to join our Local Partnership Board and put something back into the school then please apply via the attached forms which contain all the information in relation to the role.

[HSMS - Local Partnership Board](https://www.hsms.co.uk/local-partnership-board)

# Violin Tuition

## Helen Brock

Professional, friendly and enthusiastic teacher with emphasis on enjoyment and creativity with over 20 years of experience.

BA(hons) with specialism in performance  
RWCMD PGCE

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### Y5 NATIVITY - PLEA

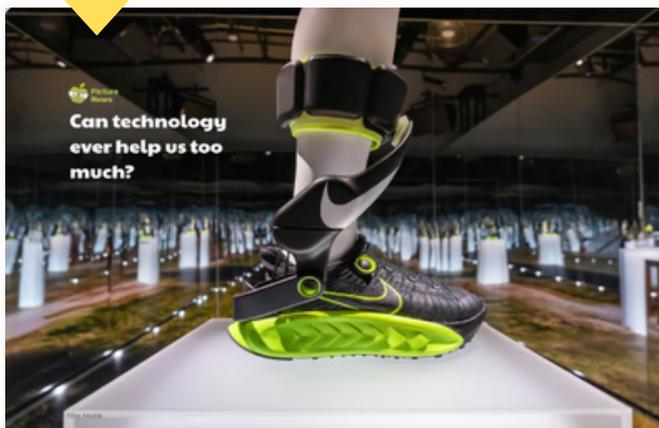
The preparation for the year 5 Nativity is in full swing and the pupils are beginning to prepare their lines, learn their songs and choreograph their dances. During the weeks leading up to the Nativity, the pupils will be hoping to prepare props and accessories to add a little extra sparkle to their performance. To facilitate the creation of these props, year 5 would be grateful for any donations of cardboard, boxes, bottles and plastic that would be suitable for arts and crafts. Any bagged, clean recycling can be dropped to the year 5 team or the year 5 area.

Thank you  
Year 5 team



NEXT WEEK IN  
PICTURE NEWS

HSMS Values in Action @ Home  
WB 17th November 2025



Dear God,  
Thank you for technology. Help us to use these amazing tools for learning, connection and kindness.

Let us remember what is important and to use our time wisely.

Allow us to be the best we can be today, growing in our talents and wisdom

Amen

In the news this week

Nike has revealed a new type of powered shoe, called Project Amplify, which uses small motors to boost a person's walking and running movement. The shoes are designed to reduce tiredness and make everyday movement easier, especially for those who need extra support. Nike says the aim is to help people stay active, independent and mobile in their daily lives. Things to talk about at home ...

- Explain and share your thoughts with someone at home about the new shoe design.
- Do you believe everyone should be allowed to use the same technology, or should some things be only for people who really need them?
- Can you think of other technologies designed to make life easier? Which do you use?

**HSMS Christian Value and Virtue next week:** Democracy & Justice

**Bible Link:** Romans 12:2

**British Value and Protected Characteristic:** Democracy and Disability

**UN Rights of the Child:** #23 Children with Disabilities