



# WEEKLY UPDATE

CORE VALUE: JUSTICE

AUTUMN TERM ISSUE 11

21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, if you encountered pick up at the Car Loop this Wednesday afternoon please accept my apologies for the chaos! Whilst I was delighted to welcome so many enthusiastic First School children for their annual cross-country fixture it soon became apparent that a combination of skewed arrival times, lack of car loop experience and subsequent lack of parking created a real challenge for you – I am sorry and will continue to work with our First School partners to ensure arrangements are in place to sustain the offer of these great events whilst ensuring a safe departure from school for our own pupils.

Staying with the theme of Road Safety, I am delighted to announce that we have decided on the winners of the recent Road Safety Competition. Working in partnership with Wedmore Parish Council, Naked Signs and representatives of our parent community we will announce winners and present prizes next week. Their designs are being professionally produced and will grace local hedgerows in the near future.

School has felt super busy this week but made all the more positive with some weather that has supported more enjoyable social times. The cold air has replaced the rain and still dozens of pupils don't have their coats on! On a daily basis I am told "coats aren't cool sir" as I shamelessly model my tangerine Hi-Viz...I would welcome your continued support in sending pupils to school with a warm school coat; a proper opportunity to play outside in the fresh air twice a day really does support good learning habits and positive mental health. Even if the coat is in their bag when they leave for school, we can do our bit and encourage them being worn!

With lots to look forward over the coming weeks including visits from local faith leaders and politicians, the lead up to Christmas remains super busy. Teachers are in the throws of completing data entry from recent assessments and I look forward to sharing this via termly reports with you in due course.

I hope you all enjoy a brilliant weekend.

Matt Drew

## CALENDAR 2025

### NOVEMBER

- 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 (AM)
- 27<sup>th</sup> Y7 Cheddar Gorge Trip 2 (PM)
- 28<sup>th</sup> Y7 Cheddar Gorge Trip 3
- 29<sup>th</sup> Wellington Maths Challenge

### DECEMBER



- 1<sup>st</sup> KS2 Rocksteady Concert
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Phil Dalton - Wildlife Photographer
- 8<sup>th</sup> Y5 House Matches (P4&P5) B:Hockey/G:Rugby
- 9<sup>th</sup> Y8 House Matches (P1&P2) B:Hockey/G:Rugby

## CHILDREN IN NEED 2025



A huge thank you to everyone, we have raised an amazing

**£916**

If you would still like to donate towards this cause you can do so via their main website  
[BBC Children in Need - Donate](https://www.bbc.com/children-in-need/donate)

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After school Sports clubs **will not** continue from week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> December due to poor light.

Sports Leaders will finish for this term on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

## 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 has been sent out to all eligible families.

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



### 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

### LOCAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD - VACANCIES

We currently have 2 vacancies for a volunteer role 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](#)

## HSMS FIXTURES

The U12 Girls faced Minehead Middle School in what proved to be an exciting and evenly matched contest. The opening half was unpredictable, with the girls battling difficult conditions and a tricky pitch. This led to bunching and ball-watching at times, and although there were plenty of opportunities, neither side managed to break the deadlock. The score remained 0–0 at half-time.

After a quick reshuffle of positions and a motivating pep talk, the team came out switched on and attacking in the second half. Within minutes, Joy delivered a fantastic cross that Elsa clinically finished into the net. Soon after, Jess L added another beautiful goal from the right wing to double the advantage. Minehead responded strongly, counterattacking well and putting Jess under real pressure in goal, while Molly worked tirelessly to clear the ball from the defensive half and steady the team. Final score 2-0.

A huge well done goes to the whole squad for their determination and teamwork. The girls now look forward to the 3rd round in the New Year.



## VACANCIES

### TEACHING STAFF

- KS2 TEACHER

### SUPPORT STAFF

- LSA – SEND

All vacancies can be viewed on the Wessex Learning Trust Vacancies Page

[Wessex Learning Trust](#)

## CHEDDAR VALLEY MUSIC CLUB

CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
ST ANDREW'S CHURCH CHEDDAR

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER 6.30PM



[Cheddar Valley Music Club Christmas Concert Details](#)

[Click here for tickets](#)

NEXT WEEK IN  
PICTURE NEWS

HSMS Values in Action @ Home  
WB 24th November 2025



Picture News

**What are some of the different ways we can express ourselves?**



In the news this week

McDonald's changed the colours of its famous Happy Meal box in the UK, making it white on three sides, for children to colour and design it themselves. The company said the new boxes encourage creativity and let children express their ideas and feelings through drawing. Four million of the new 'colour-your-own' boxes have been given out as a trial to see how children respond.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Talk to someone at home about the campaign. Share your thoughts – do you think it's a good idea? Share what you might draw on the box.
- One of the aims of the campaign is to encourage children to express themselves. Do you believe it achieves this aim? Can you think of any other ideas?

Dear God,

Thank You for the gift of creativity. Please help us to use our minds to invent, explore and create. Remind us to be creative in everything we do, and to share our unique gifts with the world.

Amen

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

**Bible Link: Psalm 33: 1-2**

**British Value and Protected Characteristic: Individual Liberty and Religion or Belief**

**UN Rights of the Child: #31 Rest, Play, Culture, Arts**