



WEEKLY UPDATE

CORE VALUE: JUSTICE

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12TH DECEMBER 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was fabulous to see Disco Fever sweep the school this week. Thanks to all parents / carers who gave freely of their time to afford the pupils this opportunity. The pupils had a blast and it was a lovely way to start the Christmas countdown together.

Our choir did us proud on Wednesday at Wedmore by Lamplight and despite the tiredness, even I felt a little Christmassy! Thanks to Mrs Harrison, Mrs Johnson and Mr LeHunte for supporting this event, the feedback from church wardens and the wider community was hugely positive. Thanks again to our parents/carers for battling with the Wedmore traffic and enabling us to perform and support this community event so positively.

The dress rehearsals of the Year 5 Nativity show real promise of what is potentially the strongest performance for years; I am delighted we are opening our doors to the community this Wednesday and am certain it will be a great addition to the festivities and just reward for the hard work and practise our Year 5 pupils have invested. By way of reminder, if you are attending this event, please see the communication we have sent out today with regards to parking as this will be different for AM and PM performances.

A polite reminder also that Christmas lunches for pupils are taking place as below this week:

Monday-Y5 Tuesday-Y6 Wednesday-Y7 Thursday-Y8

The school canteen remains open from Grab and Go for those year pupils who are not scheduled to enjoy their Christmas Lunch.

Next week concludes with our annual Key Stage 3 visit to the cinema and a chance for pupils to enjoy a relaxed afternoon with their form tutor and classmates. I appreciate that some pupils and families wish to acknowledge the commitment and support of individual teachers through the festive period and should you wish to do so, please avoid any items of high financial cost and do ensure any such gifts are handled responsibly.

We will be carrying out some planned School Improvement works around the site starting next week. This is an important Trust led project to upgrade our security fencing around the school perimeter, any disruption during the school day will be kept to a minimum.

12 sleeps to go...

Have a great weekend.

Matt Drew

CALENDAR 2025

DECEMBER

- 15th KS3 Reports Published on Bromcom
- 15th Y8 Christmas Dinner
- 15th KS3 Film Afternoon
- 16th Y5 Nativity Play - Whole School Performance
- 16th Y7 Christmas Dinner
- 17th Y5 Nativity Play - Parents (Ticket Only - AM)
- 17th Y5 Nativity Play - Parents (Ticket Only - PM)
- 17th Y6 Christmas Dinner
- 17th KS2 Reports Published on Bromcom
- 18th Church Visits - Whole School
- 18th Y5 Christmas Dinner

FINAL CALL - ARCHBISHOP'S YOUNG LEADERS FOOD BANK COLLECTION

The Young Leaders in Y5 are asking Parents/Carers to donate non-perishable food items to put towards a Food Bank Collection for Christmas. Donations can be left in the boxes in the corridor by reception.

Donations can be made up until the end of term

Thank you from the Year 5 Young Leaders Team



PE KIT REQUIREMENTS

Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th

Please make sure your child has full outdoor, warm PE kit available on Tuesday and Wednesday, the Y5 Nativity will be in the hall so all PE lessons will be outside

BLACKFORD CAFE

Our newly formed vocal group the 'Startbursts' took their festive cheer to Blackford Village hall of Wednesday afternoon to perform a selection of Christmas carols and festive songs to the residents of the local community and in return were treated to some amazing cupcakes.



FIXTURES

The sun was shining for the final event of the term as 12 Key Stage 3 pupils travelled to Brymore to compete in the Sedgemoor Area Cross Country Championships.

Despite not knowing the course beforehand, every pupil embraced the challenge with determination and energy. Their efforts paid off, with all 12 runners securing a place in the top 16 of their races.

An incredible 11 pupils have now earned invitations to the next round of the competition

Congratulations to all involved on such an outstanding performance!



HSMS SUPERSTARS

GYMNASTICS

Amelia and Marth in Year 5 won a silver medal in the Kings Elite Pairs competition.





WESSEX LEARNING TRUST ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR SOMERSET SCHOOLS (2027/28) CONSULTATION

The Wessex Learning Trust are consulting on their 2027/28 admission arrangements. It is statutory to consult every 7 years or when a change is made.

To view and comment on the arrangements please click here

<https://sومersetcouncil.citizenspace.com/childrens-services/2027-arrangements>

Our consultation will start on 1 December 2025 and end on 19 January 2026 and the final determined arrangements will be published on the Trust and our School website by 15 March 2026.

DT /FOOD TECH REQUEST.....

If you have any leftover or borrowed plastic sweet boxes or confectionary tins please can these be donated or returned to the DT department. Our current stock of sealable containers has been depleted, so we are unable to send pupils home with any items made in Food Tech if we do not have any containers.

All donations gratefully received, whether full of chocolates or not.....!!
Many thank in advance.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

THERE ARE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS DURING THE LAST WEEK OF TERM

Spring clubs and activities will start from week beginning 12th January 2026

NEXT WEEK
IN PICTURE
NEWS

HSMS Values in Action @ Home
WB 15th December 2025



In the news this week

This winter, a charity called Small Acts of Kindness has sourced, packed and distributed over 10,000 'Warm in Winter' gift bags across Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire. Each bag includes things to keep people warm, like blankets, socks and hot drinks. The project aims to bring comfort to elderly and vulnerable people in the colder months. It shows that small acts of kindness can make a big difference in someone's life.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Talk to someone at home about the campaign.
- Can you think of a time someone was kind to you? How did it make you feel?
- Do you believe helping others can make us feel happier too? Why?
- What are some small acts of kindness we can do at home, at school, or in our community?

HSMS Christian Value and Virtue next week: Christmas and Justice

Bible Link: Luke 2: 10-11

British Value and Protected Characteristic: Democracy and Age

UN Rights of the Child: #27 Food, Clothing A Safe Home

Dear God,
Please help us to be kind to ourselves and others. Help us to notice and appreciate all the needs in the world around us, and to practice giving, both great and small. Thank You for all the love and compassion you have shown us.

Amen