



WEEKLY UPDATE

CORE VALUE: COMPASSION

SPRING TERM - ISSUE 11

27TH MARCH 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thanks as ever to our year seven parents and carers who joined us for Parents Evenings this week; it was great to hear such positive conversations about pupils and their learning.

As we head towards the Easter break, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued partnership and support. I am in the process of finalising some staffing adjustments for our year seven and eight pupils for terms 5 and 6 in order to maximise continuity of learning and consistency across all subjects. Once these plans are finalised, I will write to you individually to confirm changes.

A huge well done to Edith in year 5 who this week completed a charity swim raising over £200 for cancer charities; it so impresses me when I learn of our pupils going over and above for others' gain; a quality I spoke on this week through Collective Worship and so important for us all to strive towards. This quality was typified on Saturday evening as our school choir performed so brilliantly during the clash of the choirs event at St Mary's Church in Wedmore. Thanks to Mrs Johnson, the pupils and all our parents and carers who supported this event. It was brilliant.

A reminder that next week is a short week with the school term coming to an end with our Easter Church services on Thursday. Please remember also that when we return on Monday 20th April, pupils have the option of wearing summer polo shirts, these are available online through [Deane & Sons - Polo Shirt](#) or through our Pre-Loved shop, please speak to our Reception team.



Matt Drew.



A BREW WITH MR DREW

Congratulations to our first group of Year 5's who were chosen for the inaugural 'A Brew with Mr Drew'.

A huge well done goes to Ovi, Edith, Norman, George and Lucy for their hard work and brilliant attitude towards reading.

The pupils celebrated with a cosy hot chocolate, biscuits and a chat with Mr Drew.

CALENDAR 2026

MARCH

- 30th Y6 House Matches (B:Netball/G:Football)
- 30th Translation Bee @ KOW (Selected pupils)
- 30th Y5/Y6 Rocksteady Concert
- 30th Y5 House Matches (B:Netball/G:Football)
- 31st Y8 House Matches (B:Netball/G:Football)
- 31st Spring Reward - Silent Disco

APRIL

- 1st KS2 & KS3 Reports Home
- 2nd Easter Church Services
- 2nd Last Day of Spring Term

CLUBS

- NO STEM CLUB - RESTARTS THURSDAY 30TH APRIL.
- NO SINGING CLUB UNTIL SUMMER TERM
- NO SPORTS CLUBS UNTIL SCHOOL RESUMES FOR THE SUMMER TERM - CLUBS WILL RESTART WEEK COMMENCING 27.04.26

SUMMER TERM CLUBS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON THE WEBSITE [Extra Curricular Provision](#)

HSMS - SUPERSTARS

EQUESTRIAN

Members of the Equestrian Team qualified for the British Showjumping Winter Championships in Wales this last weekend. I'm writing to say how incredibly proud we were of the team, their team spirit, manners and determination was amazing.

Two teams consisting of Pippa D, Laycie H, Russell S, Georgia K, Thea P and Jessica Q competed in the 60 and 70cm championships, gaining 1st and 2nd team places. Hugh Sexey's really were the teams to beat!

The children had worked hard to achieve the recognition they gained, with every team member gaining a clear round in the 60cm final! Individual podium places were also awarded to team members.



EXPRESSIVE ARTS

Jemima C of 6AP recently competed in Highbridge Festival of the Arts in Lyrical, Modern, Tap, Ballet, Character and a group dance. Her group won gold and she had some of the highest marks she's ever received for her solos, 1 mark off an honours award for her character.



SWIMMING

Edith S entered a Swimathon at Hutton Moor leisure centre on Saturday evening. Her original target was 500m (20 lengths) but she smashed this and managed to swim 64 lengths (1mile) in total! She's raised over £200 for the Swimathon foundation, Cancer research UK and Marie Curie. Well done Edith!



Y8 DRAMA PERFORMANCES

Year 8 have been performing their Somerset Folktales this week in a multitude of styles during their Drama lessons. They were responsible for everything; lighting, sound, costumes, directing; we even had some wonderful singing.

Well done to each and every year 8 pupil, I'm sure lots of house points will follow.

Miss Keep



HSMS FIXTURES

CROSS COUNTRY

Monday lunchtime saw brilliant sunshine and an even brighter atmosphere as pupils from every year group took on Kings Leisure 1-mile fun run in support of the upcoming aquathon. The field was buzzing with enthusiasm as students challenged themselves, encouraged one another, and made the most of the sunny midday break. It was wonderful to see so many young people out there getting active and enjoying the event.



An energetic and chaotic afternoon of racing saw three of our teams claim top spots at this year's Millfield Cross Country Relay. A squad of 20 pupils from Years 5 to 8 took on the unique annual challenge, which features two key stages starting in different locations but weaving across shared sections of the course. It's fast, it's frantic and it always delivers excitement.

Each relay team was made up of four pupils, with single-sex and mixed groups all taking on the full course before handing over to the next runner.

Competing against a strong field of schools our pupils rose to the occasion with determination, teamwork and impressive stamina.

Their fantastic performances across the board earned outstanding outcomes.

A brilliant achievement for every runner involved.



NETBALL

Tuesday marked an exciting afternoon of sport as we welcomed five visiting schools to take part in the Year 8 netball tournament. The atmosphere was buzzing from the first whistle, with our girls stepping up to play a series of fast-paced, highly competitive matches.

After a strong set of performances, the girls secured 4th place overall a result they can be proud of. A fantastic effort from the whole team.

V Fairlands 0-0

V Wells Blue 0-3

V Selwood 0-7

V Oakfield 1-0

V St Dunstons 0-1

POM Eve x2, Aeesha, Gaby & Elena

CLASH OF THE CHOIRS

Our pupils had an amazing time at Clash of the Choirs on Saturday evening at St Mary's Church. They sang beautifully and got into the spirit of the evening sharing their enthusiasm with the audience.



EMPLOYABILITY

WORKPLACE EXPERIENCES

Find out more about the exciting opportunity for Y8 pupils to attend a virtual engineering summer workshop. Book on to the Smallpeice Trust online 4 day Summer Holiday Engineering Experience Y8/9. 25-28 Aug. Follow link for more details

[Small Piece Trust - Engineering Experience](#)

CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY

Is your child curious about what future career might suit them and their skills and interest profile? Yeovil College has put together this resource to help young people and their families explore future careers opportunities together. Click on the link to find out more...

[Careers Matchmaker](#)



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
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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

BOOKFAIR UPDATE

Huge thanks to the parents/ carers who supported the school book fair. We generated over £1000 in sales which will give us significant rewards to spend with Scholastic. Many thanks to our fabulous pupil Librarians who gave up their breaktime and lunchtime to help support the event.



NEXT WEEK IN
PICTURE NEWS

HSMS VALUES IN ACTION @ HOME WB 30TH MARCH 2026



In the news this week.....

The Bank of England, that designs and makes the UK's banknotes, has said that future notes will include British wildlife, such as animals or plants, instead of historical figures. At the moment, UK banknotes feature the British monarch on the front and wellknown people from history on the back. However, some believe the back of banknotes should instead celebrate nature, showing animals, birds, or plants that live in the UK.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Look at a coin or banknote you have at home. What pictures or symbols can you see on it? Why might they have been chosen?
- Different countries show different things on their money, such as leaders, buildings, or wildlife. What do you feel money should say about a country?
- Imagine you could design your own coin or banknote. What picture would you include and why? Ask someone at home about what they would choose.

HSMS Christian Value and Virtue next week: Compassion

Bible Link: Revelation 7:9

British Value and Protected Characteristic: Democracy and Religion & Belief

UN Rights of the Child: #29 Aims of Education

Dear God,
Thank You for making every person special and unique. Help us to be kind to everyone we meet and to listen to every voice.
Teach us to make sure no one is left out, so that our world is a place where everyone feels welcome, respected, and loved.

Amen