



# WEEKLY UPDATE

CORE VALUE: KOINONIA

SUMMER TERM - ISSUE 2

1ST MAY 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this message finds you well.

It has been another action-packed and successful week in school, with so much to celebrate across our community. On Thursday, we were delighted to host a very well-supported Mini London Marathon. The enthusiasm, determination and spirit shown by all participants made this a truly special event, and we are incredibly proud of everyone who took part. Thanks to Mrs Pople for organising.

The Battlefields trip was also an outstanding success. Not only was it an enriching and memorable experience for our pupils, but they were fortunate enough to enjoy the best weather the trip has seen in a decade. The overwhelmingly positive feedback from both pupils and staff reflects both the significance and lasting impact of this visit. Thanks to Mrs Adair, Mr McBride and Mrs Godwin for giving of their personal time to allow this trip to take place. I would like to extend a special vote of thanks to Mr Ian Pilbeam who, as an ex Hugh Sexey parent, volunteered his time and extensive military expertise to support our school staff and the learning of our pupils.

In the academic sphere, over 40 pupils challenged themselves in the Junior Maths Challenge this week, an excellent demonstration of curiosity, resilience and intellectual ambition. We look forward to celebrating their achievements as results come in.

Sporting prowess has also been evident, with more than 30 Year 4 pupils taking part in the annual netball tournament. They were superbly supported by our Year 8 Sports Leaders, whose encouragement, organisation and leadership played a key role in making the event such a success. It was wonderful to see collaboration and positive competition in action. Personal congratulations to Owen in year 5 who celebrated his first ever competitive boxing match last weekend in Redruth, Cornwall and Stanley in year 8 on completing a clean sweep of karting wins at a recent race meet at Dunkeswell in preparation for the British Championships, both fantastic celebrations of personal dedication and commitment; well done to both.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are so proud of what our pupils are achieving both in and beyond the classroom.

Wishing all our families a sunny and restful Bank Holiday weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Drew

## CALENDAR 2026

### MAY

**4<sup>th</sup> BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED**

6<sup>th</sup> Y8 Cricket Cup @ Churchill

6<sup>th</sup> Y8 Rugby 7's @ KOW

7<sup>th</sup> U12 Girls Football Finals @ Bridgwater

11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> Y6 SATs Week

15<sup>th</sup> Y6 Fun Friday

18<sup>th</sup> Y8 (Selected) Puppet Workshop @ KOW

19<sup>th</sup> Waterstones Trip (Selected Pupils)

19<sup>th</sup> Y7/Y8 Rounders @ Wells Blue

21<sup>st</sup> Airbus Trip 4

## CLUBS

Year 5 & 6 Rounders practice, after school, on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May is cancelled due to the U12 Girls football final

## HSMS - SUPERSTARS

### FOOTBALL - BOYS

Just before the Easter holiday Harry in Y7 went to Mallorca playing football in the Santa Ponsa Cup. As a team they got through to the quarter finals which was amazing. He played : Palma, Parma, Valencia, and Granada. Fabulous experience for him traveling and staying in a hotel with his team no parents !

### FOOTBALL - GIRLS

Somerset Girls Football League U12s Cup Winners!!

The Isle of Wedmore U12 girls football team, which includes 8 Hugh Sexseys girls, became the Somerset League Cup Final winners last weekend, beating Wellington 2-0 in the final.

Molly E, Elsa G, Jess H, Flossy H, Olive R-A, Sophia H, Joy N and Esmee D along with the rest of the team worked hard throughout the competition and played some amazing football in the final. This team are developing so well having won the plate last year and now the cup this year, the coaches and parents are all hugely proud of the whole team and what they've achieved. Big well done to all the girls, looking forward to next season already.



### RUGBY

Winscombe Warriors girls under 12s won all their matches at the cheddar valley RFC festival of rugby on Sunday and took home the girls under 12s plate. Only conceding 1 try across all their matches. The team included Lily P, Joy and Ruby from Year 7.



### KARTING

Stanley S in Y8 won the KX Championship Round 2 race at Dunkeswell last weekend, with a fantastic display of speed and composure in his Rotax-powered kart. Stanley won all heats and had fastest laps in all the heats as well. Stanley continues to work incredibly hard and is showing real talent on the national stage, racing at the highest level in the UK and mixing it with some of the best young from across Europe as well in what is currently one of the most competitive and difficult sports there is. To win at this level is incredibly hard. You need everything to be in tune. The kart chassis, the engines, tyre pressures, the mechanics and of course the driver. If one of these elements is not 'singing in tune' you simply can't win!



### BREAKFAST CLUB – DROP-OFF TIMES AND BOOKING REMINDER

A reminder to parents and carers that children should not be dropped off at school before 7:30am.

Our Breakfast Club operates between 7:30am and 8:30am, and staffing is only in place during these paid hours. For safeguarding reasons, we are unable to supervise children who arrive before 7:30am.

Please also ensure that your child is booked into Breakfast Club in advance before dropping them off.

Full details and booking information can be found on the school website:

[Wrap Around Provision](#)

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.



# WHAT'S ON THIS MAY AT THE WELLBEING BLEND



**1ST-3RD  
MAY**

12 LOCATIONS

**CHEDDAR ARTS FRINGE  
FESTIVAL**

IMAGES CAN BE VIEWED AT COFFEE @ THE HUB

**WHOLE  
MONTH OF  
MAY**

**MAY MILES FOR MINDS**  
CHOOSE A CHALLENGE AND  
GET SPONSORSHIP

**11TH MAY  
11-12.30**

**STROKE GROUP**

EVERY SECOND MONDAY  
OF THE MONTH



**EVERY  
THURSDAY  
6:30-8:30**

**YOUTH CAFE**

CHILL AND CHAT  
ALL WELCOME



NOT RUNNING  
DURING SCHOOL  
HOLIDAYS

**EVERY  
MONDAY &  
WEDNESDAY  
7.30-8.30AM  
3.30-5PM**

**BREAKFAST & AFTER  
SCHOOL CLUB**

A WARM SPACE FOR OUR YOUTH BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

\*MEMBERSHIP CARD REQUIRED



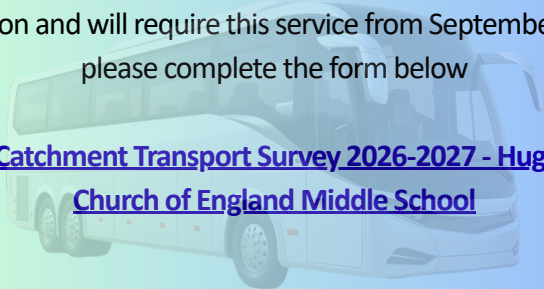
COFFEE @ THE HUB, 1-2 LOWER NORTH STREET, CHEDDAR, BS27 3HA  
THEWELLBEINGBLEND@THESPACE SOMERSET.ORG.UK



## OUT OF CATCHMENT TRANSPORT 2025/2026

If you are out of catchment and require school transport or are currently using the existing private school transport provision and will require this service from September 2026 please complete the form below

[Out of Catchment Transport Survey 2026-2027 - Hugh Sexey](#)  
[Church of England Middle School](#)



## 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)
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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

## Hang out @ The Hub

# YOUTH CAFÉ

## EVERY

# THURSDAY

**Ages: 13-19**

**When: Thursday, 6:30-8:30pm**

**Where: Coffee @ The Hub, Cheddar**

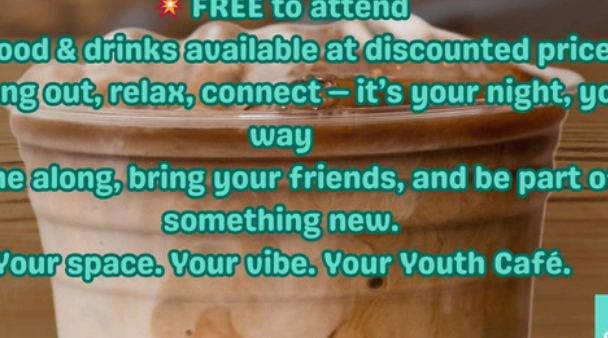
**\* FREE to attend**

**Food & drinks available at discounted prices**

**Hang out, relax, connect – it's your night, your way**

**Come along, bring your friends, and be part of something new.**

**Your space. Your vibe. Your Youth Café.**



## SUMMER TERM CLUBS & ACTIVITIES 2026

Please see the revised timetable below, this is also available on the school website

[Hugh Sexey Middle School - Extra Curricular Provision](#)

### Summer Clubs & Activities – Term 5 & 6 2026

No fee or sign up is required (unless highlighted). Registers will be taken. Collection following an after-school activity will be via the car loop at 4.50pm.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>KS3</b> <b>Year 7 and/or 8</b></p> <p><b>Indoor Club Time:</b> 12.40 – 1.10pm</p> <p><b>Outdoor Club Time:</b> 12.40 – 1.10</p> <p>Any changes to times have been specified on the activity</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Homework Club - Year 7</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Tennis Club NW</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Girls football (until 7th May) VP &amp; FB</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Volleyball RMG</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) VP</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Homework Club - Year 8</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Ultimate Sports Sports coach</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) RMG</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Dungeons and Dragons Year 8 (Invite only) DT - ML'H</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Homework Club - Year 7</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Cricket Club NW &amp; Sports coach</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) VP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>KS3 Band Music room (invite only) ML'H</p> <p>-----</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Homework Club Year 8</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Gardening Club All Year Groups (12.45pm) Forest School Meeting Point - JP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Rounders - Year 7 - VP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Mini house competitions - PE Coach</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) - RMG</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Creative Club - 12.20 - 1.40 Room 5</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Musicals - Music room JH</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Rounders Year 8 - VP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) RMG</p> <p>-----</p> <p>KS3 Vocal Group Year 7 &amp; 8 - Music room ML'H</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Percussion Ensemble Drum Chalet (invite only) GH</p>
<p><b>KS2</b> <b>Year 5 and/or 6</b></p> <p><b>Indoor Club runs:</b> 12.45-1.10</p> <p><b>Outdoor Club Runs:</b> 1pm-1.30pm</p> <p>Any changes to times have been specified on the activity</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Homework Club Year 5</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Tennis Club FB</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Volleyball RMG</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) VP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>KS2 Singing Club Year 5 &amp; 6 Music room - JH</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Homework Club - Year 6</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Rounders Year 5 &amp; 6 JC &amp; VP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Ultimate Sports Sports coach</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) RMG</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Lego Club Year 5 - Room 5 - ILH</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Homework Club - Year 5</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Cricket Club Sports coach</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) VP</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Homework Club - Year 6</p> <p>-----</p> <p>History Club Year 5 &amp; 6 (1.10pm-1.40pm) Room 2 - EM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Gardening Club All Year Groups (12.45pm) Forest School - JP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Mini house competitions - PE Coach</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Free Swim (term 6) - RMG</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Creative Club - 12.20 - 1.40 Room 5</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Musicals - Music room JH</p>	<p>Library Open (12.40-1.10) CM</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Pokemon Club Year 5 and 6 Room 11 - JP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Percussion Ensemble Drum Chalet (invite only) GH</p>
<p><b>After School</b> 3.50pm – 4.50pm</p> <p><b>Collection Point</b> Car Loop</p>	<p>Cricket Club Year 5&amp;6 FB</p>	<p>STEM Club - Years 5-8 Room 9 – AP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Rounders - Year 7 &amp; 8 - VP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Athletics Club - All years RMG &amp; Sports Coach</p>	<p>Sports Leaders Year 8 VP &amp; Sports coach</p>	<p>Rounders Year 5 &amp; 6 VP</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Track Club All years RMG &amp; Sports Coach</p>	

NEXT WEEK IN  
PICTURE NEWS

**HSMS VALUES IN ACTION @ HOME**  
WB 1ST MAY 2026



### Why do some people become so important to the world?



In the news this week.....

Sir David Attenborough, a famous naturalist and broadcaster, is celebrating his 100th birthday. For over 70 years, he has created and presented programmes that help people understand animals, nature, and the planet. His work has inspired millions of people to learn more about the world and take care of it. Many people are celebrating his life and the difference he has made. Things to talk about at home ...

- Who is someone you think is important? Why are they important?
- What has David Attenborough done to help people understand the world?
- How can we learn about places and animals we can't see ourselves?
- Do you think you have to be famous to make a difference? Why?
- Can you share something you care about and would like others to care about too?

**HSMS Christian Value and Virtue next week: Hope & Honesty**

**Bible Link: Genesis 2:15**

**British Value and Protected Characteristic: Rule of Law/Democracy & Age**

**UN Rights of the Child: #12 Respect for Children's views**

Dear God,  
Thank You for the gift of our world. Help us to be good caretakers of Your creation. Please teach us that small acts of kindness can help keep our planet healthy and beautiful.  
Amen