

# Weekly Newsletter

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**Congratulations to our Stars of the Week, Head Teacher's Award winners, and those who have achieved great accomplishments in their after school activities.**



## Celebration Assembly



The following children received trust awards this week.

Hedgehogs - George for being trusted to always put a smile on your face.

Foxes - Ruby for always being trusted to try her absolute hardest in all of her learning.

Squirrels - Elsie for being a trusted and reliable team member in her history presentation work.

Otters - Esme for taking responsibility in her own learning and extra curricular activities. Esme is a valued member of the school worship team, working alongside Reverend Katrina, where she can always be trusted to do a brilliant job.

## Squirrels Art workshop



On Monday Squirrel class enjoyed a free workshop with local artist Ali Brown, funded by WEMA called The Creative Dispensary.

The children explored their feelings through art. They thought about different emotions and where they might feel them in their bodies, for example, happiness might make them smile, excitement might make their hands move, and worries might make their tummy feel funny. They also reflected on how creating art made them feel. Tearing paper to make a collage could help release frustration, while blowing ink across the page might feel like letting go of anger. Art can also bring feelings of happiness and calm.

"The workshop made me feel calm and relaxed. It took my mind off thinking about other things. It let my mind be free," Annabelle

"When we were blowing the ink, we felt like we were blowing our anger away", Theo B



## **Visit from Darwin the Dragon**

We were delighted to welcome Darwin the Dragon to our assembly today. The children enjoyed an exciting sneak preview of this year's pantomime, The Compton Martin Secret School of Wizardry. The visit certainly sparked plenty of curiosity and excitement!



## **Mufti day Friday 28th November**

We kindly ask families to either donate a bottle for the bottle stall at our Christmas Market on Saturday 29th November, 11am-3pm, or to donate some time on the day to help with the stalls, kitchen, bar, or clean-up. Please give any donations to the school office, and let us know if you are able to volunteer. Please give Viki a message on 07878689770 if you are able to help.

Donations of bottles could include squash, wine, ketchup, sauces, shampoo, bubble bath etc.

We really appreciate all your continued support!

The PTA.

# Essential Dates

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November - PTA Wreath making for adults 19:00 village hall

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November PTA Christmas Market 11:00 - 15:00 village hall

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December - Flu Vaccinations

3rd December - Key Stage 2 Mobile Library Visit

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - Aspens Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December - Key Stage 1 Nativity Performance 09:30 & 18:00 at the Church

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Whole School PTA trip to Rapunzel at Tobacco Factory

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Key Stage 2 carols in the church 09:30

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December - End of Term



Our Music Centres bring together young musicians to perform in ensembles and groups, build skills, and have fun!

- Improve musical ability
- Take part in concerts
- Inclusive and welcoming
- Make friends



## MUSIC CENTRES



Sessions run on Saturday mornings and weekday evenings during term time. Open to all - from beginners to advanced players. Ensembles include chamber groups, orchestras, bands, choirs, and rock & pop groups. Centres in: Little Stoke, Bath, Backwell, Keynsham, and Yate.

For more details go to:  
[wema.org.uk/wema-music-centres](http://wema.org.uk/wema-music-centres)

## 10TH DECEMBER 2025 FESTIVE LUNCH

**FOOD FESTIVAL**  
**FESTIVE FUN**

Get ready for a festive feast! We're serving up a merry meal where joy fills every murch.

**ON THE MENU**

- Roast Turkey & Stuffing
- Roasted Vegetable, Cranberry & Cheese Puff Pastry Wreath
- Roasties, Sticky Chipolata, Christmas Vegetable Medley and Gravy
- Rudolph's Nose Cookie
- Cinnamon Popcorn
- Chocolate Brownie

**MAKE YOUR CHOICE**

Head to the Select system to register and pick your meal. Don't miss out!

**Don't miss out!**  
This is a one-day-only festive feast - and you don't want to miss the it!

If you have not used the Select system before, please return to your school office and get your school and child code before registering.

**More Information:** [wema.org.uk/music-activities-and-workshops](http://wema.org.uk/music-activities-and-workshops)

**EAST HARPTREE PLAY AREA 100 CLUB**

**JOIN OUR COMMUNITY LOTTERY!**

Your chance to win while making a difference

What: Community lottery for playground upkeep and new equipment

Entries cost just £20 per year, you can have as many entries as you want!

Why: Support our fantastic village asset and create memories at our park

Prizes: Cash rewards await lucky winners! You have a chance to win 4 times a year with one entry!

How to participate:

- 1) Fill out the form and purchase your 100 club tickets. Go to the QR code, or head to [www.ehbookings.co.uk/play-area-100-club](http://www.ehbookings.co.uk/play-area-100-club) to sign up.
- 2) Or drop [ehbookings@gmail.com](mailto:ehbookings@gmail.com) an email to say you'd like to sign up

DEADLINE: 26 November

**QR Code:**

**THE HARPTREE RUNNERS**

**SANTA CHASE**  
Back for 2025

**A FREE FAMILY FUN RUN!**  
**FRIDAY 12TH DEC @ 5PM**

**STARTS & FINISHES OUTSIDE THE WALDEGRAVE ARMS**  
Free certificate signed by Santa himself for all finishers!

**FESTIVE OUTFITS ENCOURAGED! ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!**

**West of England MUSIC & ARTS**

**Get Into The Groove!**

with our new music production courses

In Years 9-13 and love creating music? Whether you've been playing around on GarageBand or dreaming of dropping your own EP, this is your chance to go next-level.

Over 10 weeks, expert music production tutors will help you shape your sound, master Logic Pro, and create a great track.

Next Course: Wednesdays, 6 Jan 2026 - 25 Mar (Feb half term off)  
Final Course: Wednesdays, 22 April - 1 July (May half term off)

Details and booking at: [wema.org.uk/music-production-courses](http://wema.org.uk/music-production-courses)

In partnership with **Bath College**

**WEST OF ENGLAND MUSIC AND ARTS**

A musical treat for the festive season!

**Holiday Singing Days**

Two fun and engaging singing days during the Christmas Holidays. One for children in years 3-6, and one for those in years 7 upwards. With WEMA musician, composer and conductor Joe Galuszka.

Monday 22 December: KS2 Singing Day  
Tuesday 23 December: Secondary Singing Day

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## COME TO THE ENVIRONMENT GROUP BRUNCH! ALL WELCOME

**Sunday 30 November, 2025**

**10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**East Harptree Village Hall**

The East Harptree Environment Group brunch returns with a fun family morning.

Learn more about the Environment Group and how we can all help wildlife in our parish in 2026.

- ✓ Parish wildlife exhibits
- ✓ Facepainting
- ✓ Wildlife games
- ✓ Craft fun
- ✓ Guess the skull
- ✓ Bacon butties, teas, coffee and cakes

