

Weekly Newsletter

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STARS OF THE WEEK AND HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD WINNERS





Our New School Value: Trust

We will be talking with the children about what it really means to trust and be trusted. Understanding that Trust is knowing that our friends will help and support us, and that we can rely on one another. Showing trust by being honest, keeping our promises and showing kindness in our words and actions.

This week's Trust Awards have been given to Connor from Hedgehogs, Etta from Foxes, Molly from Squirrels and Aubree from Otters.

Mrs Haskins said that 'Connor is a trust worthy member of our class who chooses to do the right thing.' Mrs Banks said 'Molly is always dependable and is an honest member of the class.' Ms Drew said 'Etta can always be relied upon and shows integrity.' Mrs Tomblin said 'Aubree is dependable and can be trusted to do any task she is instructed to do.'

Message from Wells Food Bank

The school is delighted to share this wonderful message from the Wells Food Bank.

To the Headteacher Ian Harvey, staff and children:

On behalf of Wells Foodbank, I thank you very much for your generous Harvest Festival donations. People like you make it possible for us to continue helping those in need in Wells and the surrounding villages.

Thank you so much.

We would like to thank all the parents and carers who generously contributed to the food bank. Your kindness and support truly reflect the caring and compassionate community we are so proud to be part of.

Thank you Message

A big thank you to everyone who came out and supported Florence D's scavenger hunt in aid of Eczema Outreach Support! We raised £375 for children and families with eczema. The charity has been a great help to Florence recently, so it's brilliant to give back.

My Art Project - PTA Christmas Fundraiser

The children (and staff) have been working hard to create individual Christmas designs for a PTA fundraiser called My Art Project. You can order your child's artwork to be printed on Christmas cards, wrapping paper, mugs, gift tags, sketch pads and more! They make a wonderful personalised gift/card for family and friends.

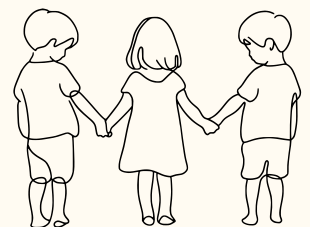
You must place your order by 13th November 2025. All deliveries will be sent to school within 7-10 days for distribution.



The PTA will receive some money for each purchase so please do support this fundraiser if you can.

Children in Need - Mufti Day & Donation

We're excited to support Children in Need this year! On Friday 14th November, children are invited to come to school in mufti and bring a donation to help this fantastic cause. Let's come together to make a difference and support children across the country. Every contribution counts!



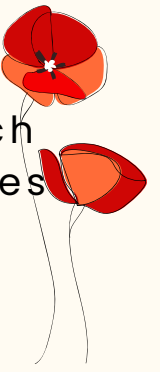
Date: Friday 14th November

Event: Mufti Day & Donation for Children in Need

Suggested Donation: £1

We can't wait to see everyone joining in to show their support!

Poppy Appeal 2025



We are pleased to support this year's Poppy Appeal, which helps provide vital assistance to veterans and their families. Poppies and other items will be available for pupils to purchase in school from Tuesday 4th November 2025.

Please note that there is no suggested donation amount, pupils are welcome to give as much or as little as they wish in exchange for their poppy or other items.

Thank you for supporting this important cause.

Reading.

As the days get colder, it's the perfect time to curl up with a good book with your children! Reading sparks imagination, builds new skills, and takes your children on exciting adventures, right from home.

Why not try a new story with them or visit your local library? Let's make this winter a season of fun and reading!

Christmas Appeal 2025 - Gift a Book

We would love your help in spreading some joy by donating a book to someone who might be lonely or without gifts this Christmas. Your donation could make someone's Christmas morning extra special. As part of our 'Power of Reading' theme for the year, we would like donations of new (or as good as new) fiction books for children of any age.

Please hand in books to Mrs Alexander in the School Office on Monday 10th-Wednesday 12th November.

Books should NOT be wrapped.

Books should be new, or as good as new.

The books will be passed onto Chew Valley Community Library (Bishop Sutton) as part of a BANES Libraries initiative. They will be given to children who may not receive a festive gift this Christmas.

Over the years we have had a generous response to appeals for shoe boxes for the homeless, items for Baby Bank Bristol and charities working overseas. We hope many families can get involved again this year.

Essential Dates

Tuesday 11th November 10:50 Act of Remembrance at Grey Hollows. East Harptree

Friday 14th November Children in Need (Mufti Day)

Friday 28th November - PTA Wreath making for adults 19:00 village hall

Saturday 29th November PTA Christmas Market 11:00 - 15:00 village hall

Monday 1st December - Flu Vaccinations

3rd December - Key Stage 2 Mobile Library Visit

Wednesday 10th December - Aspens Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 11th December - Key Stage 1 Nativity Performance 09:00 & 18:00 at the Church

Wednesday 17th December - Whole School PTA trip to Rapunzel at Tobacco Factory

Friday 19th December - Key Stage 2 carols in the church 09:30

Friday 19th December - End of Term



WEST OF ENGLAND MUSIC AND ARTS

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



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 to sign up.
2) Or drop ehbookings@gmail.com an email to say you'd like to sign up

DEADLINE: 26 November



East Harptree BIG ARTS WEEKEND

8th-9th Nov 2025
10 am to 4.30 pm

East Harptree Theatre & Arts Hub

ART EXHIBITION
MEET THE ARTISTS
WORKSHOPS
TEA, COFFEE & CAKE

Featuring Work by
• Ali Brown • John Darvill • Kevin Hemmings •
• Chris and Jackie Head (Potts Cottage Collective) •
• Cheryl Herrington • Amy Hutchings • Vickie Isaac •
• Pauline Palmer • Emma Powell • Mary Liddell •
• Patrick Barker •
& other visiting artists

Visit artshubharptree.com for more details



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!

The Santa Chase is back! Can you catch Father Christmas is this fun family run, walk, hop or skip on 12 December?

Everyone is welcome, with or without kids!

Fancy dress, tinsel and beaming smiles are all encouraged. Certificates go to all the elf sized finishers.

Meet outside the Waldy at 5pm.

Please share and help spread the word!