



NEWSLETTER 27 5TH JUNE 2026



SCHOOL NEWS

A BUMPER ISSUE!

This newsletter is a big one! There has been so much happening since the last time I wrote a newsletter, and I am so pleased to be able to share all of the amazing news with you.

From visitors and enrichment days for the pupils, to school discos and even an updated ramp design, the last few weeks in school have been busy but engaging for all the pupils.

Even more exciting is the opportunity for new pupils to join us, and we look forward to welcoming new children to the Kewstoke family. Whether these are children starting their educational journey in Pre-School or joining classes further up the school, we are excited to welcome them into our nurturing environment.

ALPHA-BETTY THE SNAKE?

Since joining the school, I have always thought about how we can make our site more inviting and prominent in the local community. As a school, I want us to be at the heart of the community, and for everyone to know that we are here and thriving.

As part of our continuous school development, the PTFA have been keen to replace the snake that once adorned the entrance ramp to the school. With their support and funding, a new snake has been designed and laid on the ramp during the school holiday.



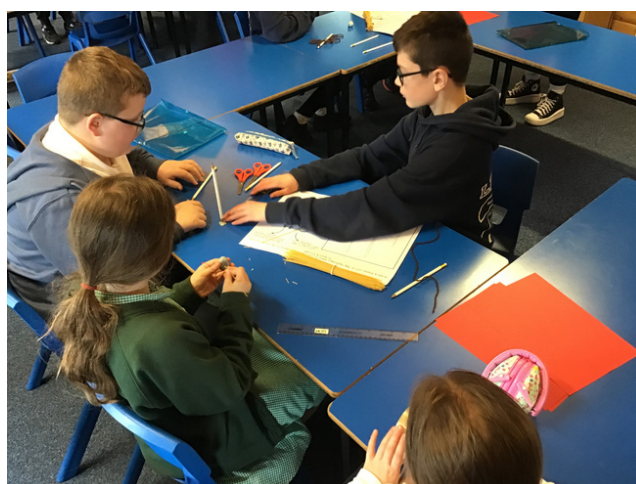
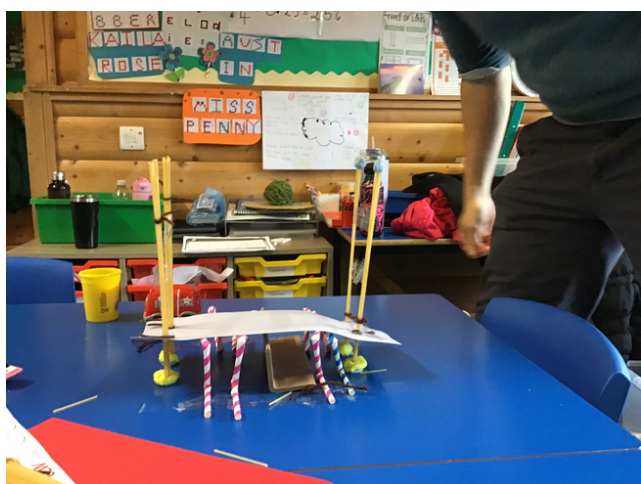
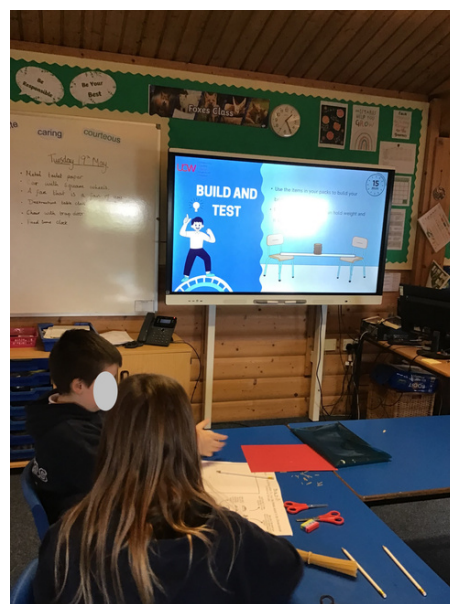
OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

It is always a pleasure to welcome visitors to our school, particularly those that offer our pupils opportunities to develop their learning and to learn new skills. Before the half term holiday, we welcomed UCW (University Centre Weston) into school to work with our children in Badgers and Foxes classes.

The team started their day with Badgers class undertaking a storytelling workshop that was so much more than just telling a story! From creating characters to building settings and costumes, teamwork was in abundance in this workshop.

In the afternoon, Foxes class came together for an engineering afternoon, where staff and pupils had to create a bridge out of materials, whilst working to a budget.

We are pleased to share the other Outreach projects that UCW have to offer over the Summer holidays further on in this newsletter.



MENDIP ACTIVITY CENTRE

To congratulate our year 6 pupils on their efforts during SATs week, and as an end of year treat for our older children (as our residential trips run every other year), Foxes class were given the opportunity to visit the Mendip Activity Centre for a day of fun and excitement, albeit in rather damp conditions!



PTFA DISCO

Thank you to everyone who supported the school and PTFA with the disco before half term. The children all had a great time, and lots of money was raised. Thank you for continuing to support Treat Friday and other PTFA events.

SCARECROW FESTIVAL POSTERS

Members of the scarecrow festival committee will be coming in to school next week to judge pupils' entries for the poster competition. The winning posters will be put up around the village advertising the event in July. If you have not yet done so, please bring any designs in to school by Wednesday 10th June.



PARENT

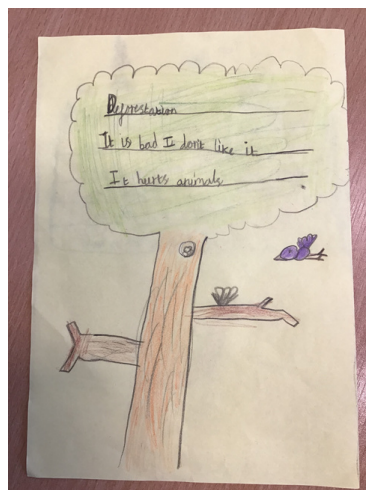
TESTIMONIALS

As part of our marketing campaign for the school to increase pupil numbers, we are looking for a small number of parents who would be happy to speak on camera about their experience of Kewstoke - the positive atmosphere of the school, the support their children receive, and the progress they've seen. The videos would be very informal and conversational rather than scripted, and the Trust marketing team can come into school to film parents at a convenient time.

If you would be interested in taking part, please let Miss Taylor or myself know, and we can arrange a suitable date.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS

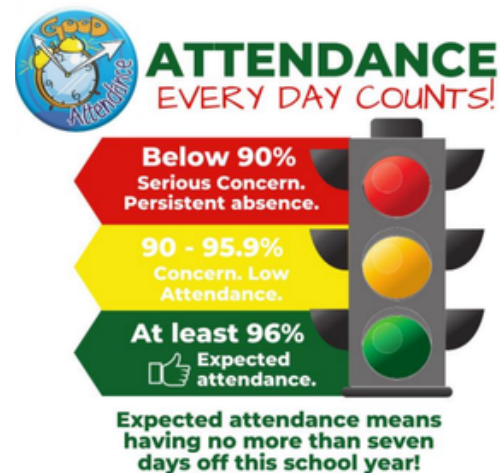
One of the favourite times of my week is leading celebration assembly on a Friday morning. Not only do we get to celebrate the pupil's hard work, acts of kindness and achievements in school, but also those awards and certificates gained from out of school clubs.



ATTENDANCE

A child's attendance can have a huge impact on their progress, both in terms of personal development and academic progress. If a child misses just two weeks of school across the year, they are missing 65 hours of learning and it can be very difficult to catch up. Arriving late to school can also result in valuable hours of learning lost.

We will continue as a school and with the Trust to support families, to ensure children are in school and not missing out on valuable learning.



This Week:

Hedgehogs – 93.8%

Badgers – 95.7%

Foxes – 94.2%

So far this academic year:

Hedgehogs – 95.8%

Badgers – 96.2%

Foxes – 93.4%

Whole School – 95.1%

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Can I please remind you to ensure that children are wearing black school shoes and have a suitable PE kit and school uniform that follows the guidelines set out in our policy, which is available to view on the school website.

TOYS IN SCHOOL

Any toy/game/personal items that are brought into school need to be agreed with your child's class teacher. If this is not the case, these items may be removed from your child until the end of the day

TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

As of September 2013, no school is allowed to grant holiday requests under new legislation.

Therefore, any request for term time absence will need to be put in writing, in advance, to the Headteacher. Each case will be considered individually and the absence will only be authorised in specific circumstances.

Schools are required to notify the Local Authority of all unauthorised absences and a penalty notice may be given by the LA.

DID YOU KNOW that if a child is taken away for a two week holiday every year during term time and has an average number of days off for sickness and appointments, then by the time they leave at sixteen they will have missed a year of school?

PARKING

I am very grateful to those parents who choose to park away from the school entrance and off the zig zag yellow lines. We have, however, had a recent issue with one of our neighbours where a parent had parked their car over a neighbour's driveway who needed to get out.

Please consider our neighbours when parking. I have asked North Somerset Council to send an enforcement officer to the school at pick-up times to talk to parents who cannot park respectfully or correctly.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Our 'Stars of the Week' are...

Hedgehogs - Rebel

Badgers - Emily

Foxes - Corey

Our 'Values Ambassadors' this week are...

Hedgehogs - Kenji

Badgers - David

Foxes - Nathan

KEY DATES

Friday 12th June

Sports Day

W/c 15th June

Drowning Prevention Week

Wednesday 17th June

Bristol Zoo Project Trip

Monday 22nd June

Sportsmasters Enrichment Day

Wednesday 1st July

Transition Day

Thursday 2nd July

Sportsmasters Enrichment Day

Wednesday 8th July

Pre-School Graduation Ceremony

Wednesday 8th July

Leavers Assembly

Friday 17th July

Last day of term



THE APP STORE

Apps (short for applications) are designed to run on certain devices and are written for a specific operating system, such as Apple iOS, Windows, or Android. The official store for the Apple iOS operating system is known as the App Store. Before your children use the app store, you need to be aware of certain possible risks.

In the guide, you'll find tips on avoiding potential threats such as apps that are inappropriate for children, overspending and fake reviews.

SAFEGUARDING

If you have a concern about any child in our school, then it is your responsibility to say something to us. Remember, 'Safeguarding' is everybody's responsibility! You can speak to any member of staff in school. We also have a team of designated safeguarding leads – Mr Champs (DSL), Mrs Mann (DDSL), Miss Speller (DDSL) and our School Safeguarding governor, Mrs Phippen.



They can be contacted on 01934 623430 or at our dedicated safeguarding email address, safeguarding@kewstokeprimaryschool.co.uk
As parents, you can contact support agencies directly on:-
NSPCC: 0808 800 5000
Care Connect: 01275 888 808

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You are invited to THE SCHOOLS TRIATHLON



King's College Taunton

Sunday 28th June 2026

Registration Deadline

Friday 12th June 2026

Registering

1. Create a team of four children, then choose your team name!
2. Select one parent to register your team's interest in the event via the link above (you will need all participant names and their parent/guardian's email)
3. You will receive an email to confirm if your team has or hasn't been successful 3 weeks after the deadline date given above
4. If your team is given a place, we will email all parents within the team to invite them to register their child for the event

Register Here



Fundraising

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Each participant must fundraise a minimum of £60, with a target of £100.

You can set up an [online JustGiving page](#) or download a [sponsorship form](#).

Your fundraising supports Restless Development: a global charity who champions the collective power of young people to create a better world.

Watch [this video](#) to learn more!

**Head to our FAQs for more info
and to find out what's included!**



Year Group	Swim	Cycle	Run
Year 3 & 4	50m	1000m	750m
Year 5 & 6	50m	1000m	750m
Year 7 & 8	50m	2000m	750m

As a relay, each participant completes these distances.

email us: schoolstriathlon@restlessdevelopment.org



@schoolstriathlon



There is still time to sign up to this event, we have one team entered already, but even more teams would be great for our school and the charity it supports.



SMC

SPORTS MASTERS COACHING



ACTIVE

FUN

FRIENDSHIPS

CONFIDENCE

SKILLS

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

CHURCHILL COFE PRIMARY SCHOOL



DATES

27TH JULY - 2ND SEPTEMBER



TIME: 9am-3:30pm

Early and late collections
available

AGES 5-12

BOOK NOW!



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WORLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL



An Academy



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WCSA FAMILY BREAKFAST

Saturday 27th June 2026

9:30am - 12:00pm

FREE BREAKFAST * PETTING FARM * CIRCUS SKILLS * SCIENCE
INFLATABLE SLIDE * ARTS & CRAFTS * MUSIC * SPORTS
ICE CREAM * GIANT GAMES * PLUS MUCH MORE

NO NEED TO BOOK, SIMPLY
COME ALONG AND ENJOY THE
FUN!

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