



Shipham Church of England First School

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Friday 12th June 2026

Dear families,

This week has been another busy and successful one in school. Our Year 1 pupils have been working hard completing their Phonics Screening Checks this week. We are incredibly proud of the effort, resilience and enthusiasm they have shown throughout the process. Meanwhile, our Year 4 pupils have been undertaking their Multiplication Tables Checks. They have demonstrated great determination and should be commended for their positive attitude and preparation.

New Reception Parents' Meeting

On Wednesday, we were delighted to hold our meeting for new parents. It was wonderful to welcome families who will be joining our school community and to share information about the exciting journey ahead for their children.

School Meal Service

Following a Trust-wide procurement process, Wessex Learning Trust has agreed a new catering contract with Aspens, which will commence on 1st August 2026. This decision has been made to ensure a consistent, high-quality catering offer across our schools, and we will be working closely with Aspens over the coming months to support a smooth transition for all pupils.

As part of this transition, it is essential that Aspens has accurate and up-to-date information about pupils' dietary needs. We therefore ask all parents and carers to please complete Aspens Allergen Form by Friday 26th June.

When completing the form, please ensure that you include:

- The school your child will be attending in September 2026
- Their year group in September 2026

Providing this information now will help ensure that appropriate provision is in place from the start of the new academic year.



We also want to make you aware of a change to the meal ordering system. From September, school lunches will no longer be ordered through My Child at School if they are currently. Further details about the new ordering process will be shared with you later this term, giving you plenty of time to prepare for the change.

We appreciate your support as we work through this transition and continue to focus on providing a positive experience for all our pupils.

Playground Supervision

Please may remind about supervision at the end of the school day. We have received reports that some children have been playing on the school equipment after 3:15pm in an unsupervised and potentially dangerous manner. Please remember that once children have been collected at the end of the school day, they become the responsibility of their parent or carer. We kindly ask that children are supervised appropriately at all times and that school equipment is used safely.

School Pennant

We would like to say a huge thank you to **Sam Johnson** for creating our beautiful new school pennant. It is a wonderful addition to our school community and something that will hold special meaning for many years to come.

We would also like to extend our thanks to **FOSS** for their incredibly generous donation, which made it possible for us to commission this special piece for our school.

Our new pennant will help to steep our school in history and tradition, giving our children a strong sense of pride and belonging. We look forward to seeing it carried proudly at important school events, including Sports Day and the Year 4 moving-up celebrations at Wells Cathedral.

It is so important for children to feel connected to their school community, and this pennant will serve as a symbol of unity, pride, and shared memories for generations to come. Thank you once again to everyone involved in making this possible.



Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Sarah Netto

FOSS
UPCOMING DATES
SAVE THE DATES!

17.06.26 SPORTS DAY
CAKE DONATIONS PLEASE
We would love any homemade or shop-bought cakes!

26.06.26 MUFTI DAY
TOMBOLA DONATIONS
Please donate any tombola prizes - thank you!

03.07.26 END OF TERM BBQ

15.07.26 ICE CREAM VAN SURPRISE!
A sweet treat to end the year!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Christian Values

Each half term we focus on a Christian Value, this term it is **Community**.

“Serve one another in love.” (Galatians 5:13)

Dates for your diary

Friday 24 th May – Friday 3 rd July	Oak Class Swimming Lessons
Wednesday 17 th June	Sports Day
Tuesday 23 rd June	Year 4 Moving Up Celebration Wells Cathedral
Friday 26 th June	FOSS Mufti Day (tombola donations)
Wednesday 1 st July	Transfer Day (all children move to their class / school for Sept 26)
Friday 3 rd July	FOSS BBQ after school
Thursday 2 nd July	School Choir and Music Concert in school
Wednesday 8 th July	Back up Sports Day (if wet / hot on 17 th June)
Friday 10 th July	Back up FOSS BBQ (if wet / too hot on 3 rd July)
Tuesday 14 th July	Whole School Trip
Friday 17 th July	Year 4 Leaver’s Service 2pm (Year 4 parents only)

Somerset Term Dates – 2025 / 2026

Term 6	1 st June – 17 th July 2026
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Please see the dates for next academic year on our [website](#).

Future INSET Days

Monday 20 th July, Tuesday 21 st July and Wednesday 22 nd July 2026	INSET - School closed to learners – Time for the summer holidays!
Full term dates can be found on our WLT website .	Please note, holidays during term time cannot be authorised.

Workshops for Families

[Wise up Calendar](#)

[Parenting Groups](#)

[NSPCWT](#)

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AGES 5-12

TIME: 9am-3:30pm
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Online Safety

[Internet Matters](#) and [Google Families](#) has lots of information, advice and support for all your concerns about your child and the internet. Why not take a look.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about a child and would like to talk to a member of staff in private, please make an appointment:

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Netto

Deputy Designated Leads: Mrs Brabbins & Mrs Mary Watt

Safeguarding Governor: Adrian Warman

WLT Safeguarding and Educational Welfare Lead: Dawn Tomkies

As parents, you can contact support agencies directly on:

- NSPCC: 0808 800 5000
- Somerset Direct: 0300 123 2224
- (North Somerset) Care Connect: 01275 888 808

For more information, along with regular safeguarding updates, you can also visit:

<https://somensetsafeguardingchildren.org.uk>

care.connect@n-somerset.gov.uk

