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Friday 26th June 2026

Dear families,

What a week we've had!

The weather has certainly kept us on our toes. On Monday evening we experienced heavy rain and thunderstorms, and then, just a couple of days later, the extreme heat led to the school being closed on Wednesday and Thursday due to the Red Weather Heat Alert.



We hope that everyone managed to stay cool during the exceptionally hot weather and would like to thank all of our families once again for their understanding and support during this unusual week. We were also very sorry to have to cancel our picnic walk due to the school closure, as we know it is an event that many children were looking forward to.

Despite the disruption, we were delighted that the Year 4 Moving Up Service at Wells Cathedral was still able to go ahead. It was a wonderful occasion and we were incredibly proud to represent our school. The children conducted themselves brilliantly and were excited to showcase our brand-new school pennant for the first time. It was a special moment and a fantastic opportunity to celebrate being part of our wider school community.

Today, we are also enjoying our FOSS Mufti Day. Please remember to send in your donations for the tombola – your generosity is always greatly appreciated.

We are now looking forward to a busy but fun final few weeks of the term, with lots of exciting events and opportunities still to come before the summer holidays.

Mrs Netto



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FOSS Messages



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

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| Friday 24 th May – Friday 3 rd July | Oak Class Swimming Lessons |
| 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 | Sports Day |
| 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

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| Term 6 | 1 st June – 17 th July 2026 |
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Somerset Term Dates – 2026 / 2027

Please see the dates for next academic year on our [website](#).

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Future INSET Days

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| 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](#)



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://somersetsafeguardingchildren.org.uk>

care.connect@n-somerset.gov.uk

