



Shipham Church of England First School

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Friday 3rd July 2026

Dear families,

As we come to the end of another busy and successful week, we'd like to thank everyone for their continued support.

Transition Day Success

Our Transition Day on Wednesday was a great success. The children spent the day getting to know their new teachers and classmates and, for many, becoming familiar with their new classroom. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and confidence as they prepared for the next stage of their school journey. We hope they all came home excited about the year ahead!

School Improvement Partner Visit

On Thursday, we welcomed our School Improvement Partner to the school. It was another positive visit, highlighting the excellent progress being made across the school. I am incredibly proud of our children and staff, whose hard work and commitment continue to drive improvements in teaching, learning and the wider school experience.

Music Concert

Also on Thursday, some of our children took part in a music concert and what a wonderful performance it was! They sang and played beautifully, demonstrating not only their musical talents but also the confidence and enthusiasm they have developed throughout the year. We are incredibly proud of all those who took part and would like to thank our families for coming along to support them. A huge thank you also to Mrs Spanring.

Oak Class Swimming

Today marks the final swimming session for Oak Class. We hope the children have enjoyed developing their confidence and swimming skills throughout the programme. Well done to everyone for their fantastic effort and progress.

Sports Day – Wednesday

We're keeping everything crossed for Sports Day next Wednesday! After having to rearrange plans previously, we're hoping the weather will be kind to us this time around and provide the perfect conditions for a fantastic day of sporting fun. Fingers crossed!

FOSS Summer BBQ – Tonight!

We're looking forward to seeing many of you at the FOSS Summer BBQ this evening. As well as great food and the chance to catch up with friends, we're excited to have an inflatable assault course joining the fun this year! There are also sure to be plenty of water fights, so don't forget to bring a change of clothes for the children (and perhaps for the adults too!).

We hope you all have a wonderful evening and wish everyone a lovely weekend.

Mrs Netto



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

Friday 3 rd July	FOSS BBQ after school
Wednesday 8 th July	Sports Day
Friday 10 th July	Sports Enrichment Day
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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Somerset Term Dates – 2026 / 2027

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](#)

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

