

# Knights Templar Community Church School and Nursery

Our Core Values: **Love** **Hope** **Commitment** **Belonging** **Respect**



## Newsletter No. 10

### 14 February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the last couple of weeks, we have had some external visitors complete audits of the school as part of our engagement with the Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools Project (PINS). The audits have focused on behaviour as communication and on how the school supports children with speech, language and communication needs. I have been really proud of the feedback we have received from the auditors on the inclusive practice within the school.

As we head into the half term holidays, I would like to thank you all for your support of today's non-uniform day and wish you all a happy half-term break.

Laura Weaver, Head Teacher

#### News from EYFS

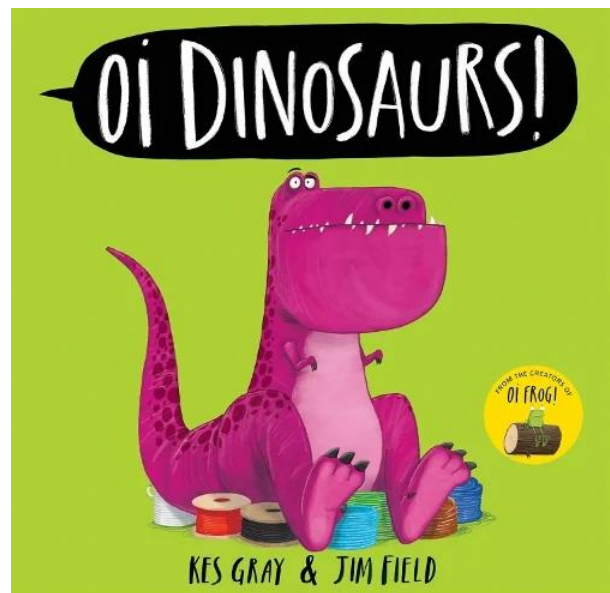
This half term the reception children have experienced a lot of enriching activities including a focus week learning about Lunar New Year. As part of their learning, the children were able to experience a Chinese Dragon workshop which the KTSCA had very kindly organised and funded. During the week children made Chinese lanterns, learnt how to write snake in Mandarin, ate Chinese food and created their very own dragon inspired by the workshop that they had attended.

We have also been out and about in the local community and have visited St Decuman's Church where Reverend Mark helped us to learn about why a church is a special place for Christians and we also learnt about infant baptism.

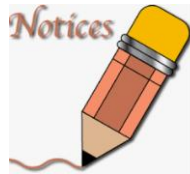


**EYFS Book recommendation:**

*In this side-splitting instalment of the bestselling picture book series, Frog, Cat and Dog contemplate exactly what dinosaurs would have sat down on in the olden days - if sitting down had been invented.*



## ATTENDANCE



Well done Attenborough class on amazing attendance !

Reception	97.7 %
Donaldson	96 %
Anning	89.6 %
Attenborough	98.4 %
Rashford	95 %
Gates	96.6 %
Mandela	97.8 %

KTSCA



A conversation card for half term:



What experiences are you grateful for in the last week?



Dates for the Diary:

### February

- 25 Teach Rex Gorilla Workshops (all years)
- 28 Police Dog Handling Talk (KS2)

### March

- 3-5 Mothers' Day Secret Room Ticket Sale
- 4&5 Parents Evenings
- 5 Gemma Hunt Author- workshop
- 12-17 Book fair
- 17 RE Focus Day
- 21 Red Nose Day

### April

- 3 Sponsored Bunny Hop (KTSCA Event)
- 4 INSET Day
- 4-21 Easter Holidays
- 22 Return to School

### Contact details

Please help us keep our records up-to-date by letting us know any changes to addresses, home or mobile numbers, work details or pick up permissions. This can be emailed through at any time to [office@ktcc.uk](mailto:office@ktcc.uk). Thank you

### House Points

Doniford		1248
Helwell		1258
Blue Anchor		1436
Warren Bay		1444



## Awards!



We have recently added a Happy Breather award to our list of half termly awards. Please see below a list of winners for this half term! Well done all of you!

	Butterfly Book	Wonder of Words	Maths	Happy Breathers
Reception	Molly W	Orla-Rose	Nancy	Arya
Donaldson	Jasper	Loki	James M	Lenni-Mae
Anning	Parker	Aaziyah	Ella-Marie	Luna U
Attenborough	Alicja	Ollie WP	Freddie G	Paisley-Rae
Rashford	Millie	Olivia D	Archie	Hunter
Gates	Rosie	Emily	Ruby	Gypsy
Mandela	Lexi B	Leo S	Alfie-Jack	Scarlett-Rose

**KTSCA**

Knights Templar School Community Association

Please see the dates below for our latest upcoming events/fundraisers:

- 25th February - TeachRex Gorilla workshop (all years)
- 3rd-5th March - Mother's Day Secret Room tickets one sale on weduc
- 5th March - Gemma Hunt workshop (all years)
- 3rd April - Sponsored Easter Bunny Hop (all years)
- 5th April - Wreaths & Wine (in partnership with Cosy Throws).

If you haven't already paid towards the Gorilla workshop please can you do so as soon as possible - this can be done through the payments section on Weduc.

Further details for Wreaths & Wine can be found on our Facebook page and a Weduc will be sent after half term.

We will also hold at least 2 after school sales before Easter. The KTSCA are working with school to help them achieve their vision of an exciting and beneficial Learning Hub for the children - every penny we can raise will help with this.

Sponsorship forms for the Bunny Hop will come home when we return to school after the break.

A final reminder to Year 4 parents that the Leavers Hoodies deadline is close. Details can be found on our Facebook page and Weduc.

Thank you for your continued support.

We hope you have a lovely half term and we look forward to another packed 6 weeks of events!

### SOS: Bike Maintenance Needed!

We have a number of bikes in school which are in need of some TLC and we were very much hoping there might be some parents who could offer assistance in helping to get them ready to be used. Please let the office know if you can help.



### Thankyou!

Key Stage 2 had a very impromptu visit last week from David Milton who taught the children the history of the Shantyman and sang some sea-shanties with the children. A bit thank you to David for giving up his time in very short notice to support our learning in English and History.



### Eco-Warriors Fundraising Success!

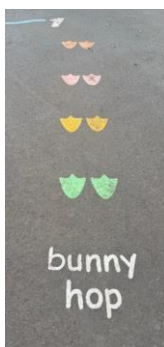
We are delighted to share that the Eco-Warriors have been successful in securing the following donations:



Also a big thank you to Mrs Walker and some of the eco warriors who helped with the Watchet Beach Clean last weekend!

### New Playground Markings!

A big thank you to all the children who raised money for our colour run last year – meaning the KTSCA funded some amazing playground markings for everyone to use! Please see below for pictures.





**Animation  
Workshop**  
with lead sculptor for  
Aardman Animation  
**Wed 19th Feb**  
**2-4pm, £13**  
Ages 8+



Please book via  
[eastquaywatchet.co.uk](http://eastquaywatchet.co.uk)

FREE, DROP IN WORKSHOPS FOR ALL AGES THIS FEBRUARY AT EAST QUAY. THERE WILL ALSO BE AN ACTIVITY IN THE FOYER EVERYDAY IN HALF TERM, 10AM-5PM.



**TUESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY, 11AM-1PM**  
**SCULPTURE WALL: PRINT WORKSHOP**



**WEDNESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY, 11AM-1PM**  
**SCULPTURE WALL: STICK WORKSHOP**



**THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY, 11AM-1PM**  
**SCULPTURE WALL: STITCH WORKSHOP**

For more information visit [eastquaywatchet.co.uk/events](http://eastquaywatchet.co.uk/events)

\*The galleries and cultural programme at East Quay are delivered by a charity, Contains Art CIO, all donations go towards supporting their work.



Young  
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**FREE**

# WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS

## TOPIC: Resilience

This is a 1 ½ hr workshop facilitated by Young Somerset. It is an opportunity to meet other parents, share common concerns and to discuss what helps young people to develop resilience. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.

## TOPIC: Anxiety and Low Mood

This is a 1 ½ hr workshop facilitated by Young Somerset. It is an opportunity to meet other parents and share common concerns. We talk about the signs and symptoms of anxiety and low mood, some do's and don'ts and share hints and tips on how to support your child.

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided

[www.youngsomerset.org.uk](http://www.youngsomerset.org.uk)

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# Family Holiday Activities

at Wells Cathedral

## Medieval Masterpieces

17, 18, and 19 February 2025

Discover highlights of Wells Cathedral and make souvenirs to take home!



**Monday 17: Wonderful Windows** Take inspiration from the beautiful Cathedral windows to make your own artwork.

**Tuesday 18: Cosmic Clock** Experience the wonders of Wells Cathedral's Astronomical Clock and make a souvenir of your visit.

**Wednesday 19: Clay Creations** Explore the Cathedral carvings in wood and stone, then make a clay boss to take home.



**FREE with adult entry.**

**No need to book – simply drop in on the day!**



**Sessions in the Education Room / Wells Cathedral**

10.30am–3.30pm

There is no charge for children. Standard adult admission tickets include re-entry for 12 months from date of purchase, so you can enjoy access to a number of seasonal events, including exhibitions and Family Holiday Activities beyond your initial visit. Only assistance dogs are allowed at this activity.



EXPLORE • CREATE • DISCOVER

## **FREE Activities for Families !**

**(No booking necessary. Children must be accompanied by an adult.)**

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February



Fantastic international storyteller, Sally Pomme Clayton, will be bringing to life her story of The King with Dirty Feet.

Settle down to be transported from Watchet to the streets of India ! **The Sanctuary, Swain Street 11 am**

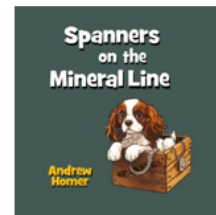


Become part of the orchestra as Jill Newton reads her story 'Crash Bang Donkey', then add your own art to the wall of her fantastic new **Gallery 13 , Anchor Street 12pm and 2pm.**

## **Words In Watchet Festival 2025**

See Andrew Homer's latest animation, the story of Spanners the runaway puppy, in his Studio, Swain Street.

Showings through 10 am to 11 am and 1pm to 2pm.



Take part in **Watchet Library's Senses Trail** for a chance to collect a whole bag of books on your next visit !  
Watchet Library, The Esplanade open 10.30 am to 1pm

### Across the Festival weekend :

Pop into the **Community Bookshop** on The Esplanade to add to our 'Poetree'.

Collect a **Watchet Trail sheet** from the Bookshop to take with you as you explore Watchet. What will you spot in Watchet's windows? Return your completed trail to the Bookshop for a reward.

**DON'T FORGET TO ENTER OUR POETRY COMPETITION 'A SENSE OF WATCHET'** . Prizes sponsored by Western Marinas. Entries to school office or library by 14<sup>th</sup> Feb.