

Knights Templar Community Church School and Nursery

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Newsletter No. 17



20 June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic week it's been with such beautiful weather! Today, your child will be coming home with a letter about school organisation for September. In the main, the children are moving class in their current year group groupings. There will be a chance to meet your child's new teacher on Move Up Day, 2 July.

We are really pleased to share this week, that we have now raised £45,000 for the swimming pool. This was Phase 1 of our swimming pool project and it has taken a lot of hard work by the whole Pool Committee to reach this point. I am so thankful to the committee and to everyone who has made donations to the Splashout III Project.

Enjoy the sunshine over the weekend!

Laura Weaver, Head Teacher

News from KS1

What a wonderful time we've been having in Key Stage 1! With the sunshine gracing our outdoor area, the children have been enjoying every moment outside, soaking up the rays and participating in some truly delightful activities. Everyone has been creating amazing masterpieces inspired by the adventures of *The Everywhere Bear*—what an imaginative bunch of children they are!

We're thrilled to share that Donaldson Class recently had an exciting trip to Watchet, where they enjoyed learning about the rich local history of the surrounding area. It was lovely to witness their enthusiasm and curiosity unfold as they explored.

Not to be left out, Attenborough and Anning Classes have their trips just around the corner! The children can hardly contain their excitement, and we are sure they will have a fantastic time, just like their friends in Donaldson.

We were also so lucky to take part in the steel drum work shop last week. The children really got into the festive spirit and it was amazing to see how many children had a real talent for Caribbean music.

And there's more! Key Stage 1 is looking forward to a special visit from Paddington Bear on his birthday next week! What fun this will be, and a huge thank you to the KTSCA for organising this magical occasion.

Let's keep making memories, and as always, thank you for your continued support!

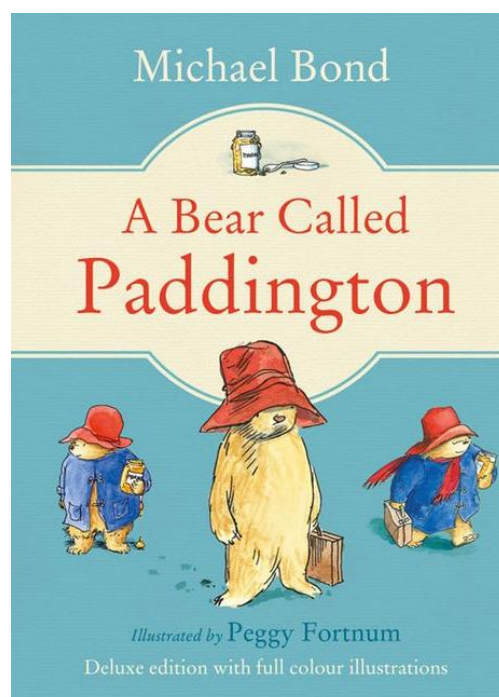


KS1 Book recommendation:

A Bear Called Paddington

By Michael Bond

With endearing characters and timeless charm, *A bear Called Paddinton* is a well-loved classic withing children's literature, that will always serve to delight. Whether you are experiencing these stories for the first time, or just revisiting them, these stories are guaranteed to leave you with a smile.



ATTENDANCE



Well done Attenborough class on amazing attendance !

Reception	93.9 %
Donaldson	95.2 %
Anning	88.8 %
Attenborough	99.1 %
Rashford	90.4 %
Gates	97.6 %
Mandela	93 %

KTSCA






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Relate

This half term, the children are learning about why relationships are important, how to build positive relationships and about the skills they need to get on with others, including active listening:

Active Listening Checklist

-  • Make eye contact
-  • Smile
-  • NO distractions
-  • Ask questions to clarify
-  • Summarise

Can you catch your child showing active listening?

Dates for the Diary:

June

- 24 West Somerset Singing Festival
- 25 Paddington Bear Birthday Event
- 26 Gates class Swimming today
- 26 Summer Disco 5-6:30pm
- 27 Sports Day/Family Picnic

July

- 1 Attenborough History Trip (Watchet)
- 2 Move Up Day
- 15 Anning History Trip (Watchet)
- 22 Year 4 Leavers Service

Thank you!

A big thank you to all the parents and carers and members of the community who came to help with the Father's Day Secret Room wrapping that took place last week. We really appreciate those that give up their time to help with such events.

SEND Base

We recently put out a statutory consultation notice about our new SEND Base. There is still a while before the closing date so please do respond.

House Points

Doniford		2688
Helwell		2690
Blue Anchor		2674
Warren Bay		2866

This is my penultimate newsletter entry whilst I Chair the KTSCA and so I think now would be a good time to say 'Thank You' to some people who have made my time on the committee much smoother.

Firstly to Mrs Coleman and Mrs Knowles. Both ladies have been invaluable in the help they have given me with sending out Weducs, printing class lists, sorting out payment methods and managing the cash taken in for certain events to name a few. They have helped keep things (fairly) stress free and I hope they are aware just how grateful I am to them.

Secondly to Mrs Weaver. Organising events around a school calendar can be a challenge and so can persuading Headteachers to allow certain events and workshops to take place. Fortunately, I have experienced nothing but support from Mrs Weaver. She has supported every idea I have taken to her and has answered my many (many, many) emails regarding dates and logistics even though her own workload is incredibly demanding. The KTSCA wouldn't be the success it is without the support of our Headteacher.

Thirdly, the biggest Thank You is to my fellow committee members. We all vary on how many hours we can commit and the days that we are free but I appreciate every one of them for their help and support. We have achieved some amazing things together.

Finally, to each of our parents and carers. Thank You for supporting us in our fundraising endeavours. I appreciate sometimes it feels like we're always on the ask, but we hope you realise that it's all been for the benefit of your children. Indeed, I am sure, based on your donations for Non-Uniforms, contributions towards some of the workshops and the turnouts for our events and discos, that not only do you understand this but also that you appreciate us as much as we appreciate you.

Gemma Parsons, KTSCA Chair

Taunton Minster Church for a Leavers Celebration service

On Tuesday, the Year 4 children visited Taunton Minster Church for a Leavers' Celebration service with other schools from Somerset. It was great to sing along with a live band and carry our banner in a procession through the church. We were also given a Bible, bookmark and a church candle for our worship back at school.





Young
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FREE

WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS

TOPIC: Resilience

This is a 2 hr workshop facilitated by Young Somerset. It is an opportunity to meet other parents/carers, share common concerns and to discuss what helps young people (Primary/Secondary) to strengthen their resilience. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.

Wednesday 9th July 2025

6pm – 8pm

To sign up please contact: Sue Burt PFSA 07807015236 or Laura Tasker Emotional Health Worker 07391178939

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