

Knights Templar Community Church School and Nursery

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy week, I would like to thank everyone for their support during last week's exceptionally hot weather. While the decision to close the school was not taken lightly, the safety and wellbeing of our children and staff had to come first. We are incredibly grateful for the understanding and encouragement shown by our families—it was very much appreciated.

Thankfully, the cooler weather arrived just in time for our Sports Morning and Family Picnic, which proved to be a wonderful celebration of our school community. It was fantastic to see so many families joining us and cheering the children on. I was especially proud of the children's positive attitudes throughout the morning. They showed great determination, resilience, teamwork and, most importantly, had lots of fun while encouraging one another every step of the way.

A huge thank you also goes to our fantastic staff, who threw themselves into the spirit of the event—quite literally! Their willingness to take part in the inflatable staff race, especially after such a warm week, certainly provided plenty of laughter and entertainment. It was a wonderful reminder that learning, laughter and community go hand in hand.

We look forward to enjoying the final few weeks of the school year together.

Laura Weaver, Head Teacher

News from KS2

What a wonderful start to Summer 2 it has been! The sunshine has certainly made an appearance, and the children have been making the most of the warm weather while continuing to work incredibly hard across the curriculum.

In **Geography**, we have been investigating **Renewable and Non-renewable Energy**. This has been a particularly engaging topic for our children, especially with Hinkley Point C just up the road. During their Discovery Zone sessions, pupils have explored the arguments for and against the use of fossil fuels, as well as considering the benefits and challenges of renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, hydroelectric and geothermal power. They have also investigated nuclear energy, thoughtfully debating its advantages and disadvantages. It has been fantastic to hear such informed discussions and balanced opinions.

Our learning about energy has continued in **Art**, with each class enjoying a workshop at East Quay. Inspired by their experiences there and the work of contemporary artist **Olafur Eliasson**, the children have designed and created beautiful kinetic mobiles that reflect movement, light and energy. The finished pieces have been both imaginative and impressive.

In **English**, the children have been immersed in the beautiful wordless picture book *A Stone for Sascha*. Without relying on text, they have developed their inference skills while producing thoughtful pieces of writing from a first-person perspective. Along the way, they have been showcasing their use of expanded noun phrases and adverbials to create rich, descriptive writing.

Meanwhile, in **Maths**, we have been tackling one of the trickiest topics of the year: **Time!** Decoding the mysteries of an analogue clock before converting times into 24-hour notation can sometimes feel like cracking an ancient secret code—but we do enjoy a challenge at KT, and the children have shown great perseverance.

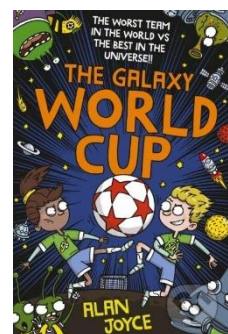
It was also wonderful to see so many KS2 children taking part in our fantastic **Sports Morning** last week. The enthusiasm, teamwork and sportsmanship on display made it a brilliant morning for everyone involved. Congratulations must go to **Miss Hake** (better known to many as *The Sausage Dog*) on her convincing victory in the staff inflatable race. Although, it has to be said, having two extra legs may have given her a slight advantage!



Key Stage 2 Book Recommendation

The Galaxy World Cup

The Galaxy World Cup is a children's science-fiction comedy novel by Alan Joyce. It follows an unlikely group of schoolchildren who are swept into an intergalactic football tournament after aliens mistakenly believe they are Earth's greatest players, blending space adventure, humor, and sport into an underdog story aimed primarily at readers aged 7–11.



ATTENDANCE



Well done Attenborough class!!

Reception	96 %
Donaldson	95 %
Anning	95 %
Attenborough	99 %
Rashford	90 %
Gates	97 %
Mandela	93 %
The Den	90 %

Dates for the Diary:

July

13	Cricket Day
15	Butterfly Book Assembly
20	Reception End of Year Stay and Play
21	Year 4 Leavers Service 10am @ St Decumans Church



As we continue to support our children's learning and wellbeing, I would like to highlight the valuable role that myHappyMind plays across our school. Through engaging and age-appropriate lessons, the programme helps children develop a better understanding of their emotions, build resilience, develop positive relationships and learn simple strategies to look after their mental wellbeing. These are important life skills that will benefit them both in school and beyond.

I would also like to remind all parents that you have free access to the myHappyMind Parent App. The app is a fantastic way to see what your child has been learning in school and provides practical activities, conversation starters and helpful tips that you can enjoy together at home. By reinforcing these messages at home, we can work in partnership to help our children grow into confident, resilient and emotionally aware young people.

If you are unsure of how to access the app please speak to the school office.

KTSCA

Knights Templar School Community Association

A huge thank you to Paul Stevens for doing our disco a couple of weeks ago, we raised just over £210 which is fantastic and can go towards workshops next year.

We are really looking forward to our Summer Fête this evening, please do bring some pennies and come and support the school and nursery.

We are always on the lookout for some more KTSCA committee members so if you're interested in joining or want to find out more. Please speak to Jess.

Thank you!

Well done to all the children who completed their swimathon last term. We raised an amazing total of £1700. Thank you to all who sponsored our amazing swimmers!!

Sports Day 2026

Well done to all the children who participated in a fantastic sports day this year. A big thank you to Mr Harrison for organising the morning, our parents for supporting and our Knights Fever Dance Club for opening and closing the event.

Well done Helwell House – Sports day winners 2026!



West Somerset Music Festival

Our school choir sang their hearts out on Friday when they represented Knights Templar at the West Somerset Music Festival beautifully singing Firework and Touch the Sky before performing We are the Young and In Me I Trust with six other schools.

A big thank you to Mrs Robinson for leading choir this year!



CHARITY FUNDRAISER FOR
SOUTH COAST Waves
★ CHEERLEADERS ★
FLORIDA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
SATURDAY 18TH JULY
12.30 TIL LATE
LOCATION - WATCHET FOOTBALL CLUB

FAMILY FUN DAY

DARTS SKITTLES CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES LUCKY DIP RAFFLE
POTTERY PAINTING AND FACE PAINTING

And more!

BBQ 12.30 - 4 PM
PIZZAS 5 - 8 PM

7PM Pradeep Madhavan AND HIS BAND ARRHYTHMIA
8.30 - LATE DJ Bubble

★ COME ALONG, HAVE FUN & HELP US make waves! ★
ALL PROCEEDS GO TO OUR 2 TEAMS COMPETING IN FLORIDA

CBA FESTIVAL OF ARCHAEOLOGY 2026
Calling young archaeologists



JOIN US AT CLEEVE ABBEY
25th & 26th July
10am-4pm
For hands on archaeology activities

Booking not required. Suitable for ages 5+ Free with site entry.
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