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Dear Parents,

EYFS Phonics meeting

Thank you to those of you who attended the phonics meetings this week. I hope you found it helpful. The plan now is to invite you into school to work alongside your child in a phonics session so you can see what actually happens in practice! Information will come out after half term with dates and times.

Tyres

The tyres in Starfish Class outside area are looking fabulous thanks to our volunteers. They really brighten up the space - thank you for your time and hard work if you were able to help 😊

Staffing news

Mrs Briody will be leaving us at half term as a Midday Supervisor. She has been a parent at the school, has led our PTFA and worked as a volunteer and MDSA. She will be very much missed but I know she intends to come back as a volunteer to cook with the children so it is not goodbye!

Sadly, Mr Hillier will be leaving also us, at Christmas. He has been at the school since 2015 and I know he will be very much missed by the staff and children too. We will be advertising for a new teacher and will keep you informed about who will be teaching Jellyfish Class in January.

Basketball

Well done to the year 5 and 6 children who represented the school at Ansford this week playing against the other local primary schools. They played 3 games in total and won two of them. Standout players were Leela and Reuben.

Parents Evening

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to parents evening on 22nd or 23rd October. Sign up sheets are outside all the classrooms. Please do speak to the class teacher if you are unable to meet them on those dates. All journals and maths books will be in the hall prior to your appointment to look at. We look forward to seeing you!

PTFA Disco

Everyone is excited about the disco next week! Please can I remind you that children are not allowed to bring mobile phones and do not need to bring any money. Drop off and pick up will be from the office door.

PTFA Bag2School

The PTFA Bags2 School collection is happening on 7th November just after 9am. By getting involved in our [Bag2School](https://bag2school.com) collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate good quality unwanted textiles in the bag that will be provided - this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts and handbags, (please refer to <https://bag2school.com> for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

Home learning

As you are aware, we are reviewing home learning in school. I would like to meet with some parents to gather views and I am proposing a meeting on Thursday 7th November

at 9:00 to share ideas. If you cannot attend this meeting, please do drop me an email with any views and opinions. I will be gathering the views of staff and children before we then review our policy.

Addresses and phone numbers

Please can you let the office know of any changes of address, phone number or emergency contacts as they happen. This is of paramount importance should we need to contact you at any time.

Yeovil Town

I am afraid YTFC club have cancelled the session on Monday next week due to staff absence. They will put the session onto the end of the run of clubs to make up for missing this one.

Key dates for your diary

15.10.24 Year 2 Multi sports Festival at Ansford

15.10.24 Tuning into Kids 1:30pm

15.10.24 PTFA Disco

22.10.24 Tuning into Kids 1:30pm

22.10.24 Parents Evening

23.10.24 Parents Evening

24.10.24 School closes

25.10.24 INSET

4.11.24 School opens

5.11.24 Tuning Into Kids 1:30pm

7.11.23 Bags 2 School collection

12.11.24 Tuning Into Kids 1:30pm

14.11.24 Flu vaccinations

18.11.24 Assessment week

25.11.24 Assessment week

26.11.24 Year 5 Dance Festival at Ansford

30.11.24 PTFA Coffee Morning at the Market House

4.12.24 Cross Country at Ansford

6.12.24 All clubs finish

17.12.24 Starfish Nativity 2pm

18.12.24 Christmas Lunch

20.12.24 Carol Service 2pm

20.12.24 School Closes

Things happening in our community

Much more than just a
COFFEE MORNING

**Saturday
26 October**
at the
Market House
9.30am-12 noon



**TOY BOX
PRE-SCHOOL**

Bacon butties for your
breakfast
Raffle
Yummy Cakes
Pre-loved toy stall



Halloween Fun and Makes

**Saturday
19 October**
at the
Market House
Castle Cary
9.30am - 12 noon



**GRAND
BOOK SALE
&**

**COFFEE
MORNING**

Cakes and raffle too



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Starfish - Aubrey Wilcox-Sands
Sea Otter - Charlie Brown
Turtle - Freyja Gay
Dolphin - Leo Morgan
Octopus - Emily Wareham
Swordfish - Alexander Maanavilja
Jellyfish - Esme Lambden
Head teacher's award - Kylie Marshall

Sarah Martin

Please remember to use this notification if your child is feeling under the weather when you bring them to school so we can keep an eye on them!

