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Dear Parents/Carers

Children thrive when **school and home work together**, and parents and carers play a vital role in supporting their child's learning, development and wellbeing. Strong, positive relationships between families and school help us to understand each child better, celebrate their successes together and provide consistent support throughout their early years.

Good communication is an important part of this partnership. We share news, information and reminders in a variety of ways, including our **Friday letter, our school website and Facebook page, and weekly Tapestry posts**, so please keep an eye on these regularly. We also value those everyday conversations with families. Staff are available on the playground at the beginning and end of the school day if you need to share something or have a quick chat. If you need a longer or more private conversation, we are always happy to arrange a convenient time.

Throughout the year, we will provide lots of opportunities for parents and carers to come into school, share in their child's learning and achievements, and be an active part of our school community. **We completely understand that work, family commitments and other circumstances, such as the event not being appropriate for babies and toddlers, mean that it will not always be possible to attend every event, and there is certainly no expectation that you should.** We hope that by offering a range of opportunities at different points throughout the year, every family will be able to join us when they can.

Our events throughout the year will offer a mixture of **opportunities to learn, share, celebrate and spend time together**. These will include information workshops to help you understand and support your child's learning, opportunities to meet with staff and discuss progress, chances to come into school and share learning with your child, as well as performances, celebrations and more informal community events.

We also warmly welcome **parent, carer and grandparent volunteers**, whether you are able to help regularly or can simply offer some time occasionally. This might include hearing children read, helping with activities, accompanying trips or sharing a particular skill or interest. If you would like to get involved, please speak to a member of staff—we would be delighted to hear from you.

We will give you reminders and more detailed information in time for each event, but to start, here are the important dates for this term. Some of these events may not apply to our Nursery children, a separate letter will be sent to the Nursery parents for information.



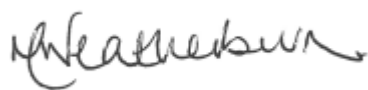
Open day – for prospective parents	Thursday 24 September 2026	10.00-11.00am or 1.30-2.30pm
Parents information workshop – Phonics	Thursday 1 October 2026	2.00-2.45pm or 3.15-4.00pm (<i>with creche provided after school</i>)
Parent/Carer consultation day – school closed to pupils	Friday 16 October 2026	Signing up sheet available from 5 October
SENDco/ HSLW drop in / coffee morning	Tuesday 20 October 2026	8.30-10.30am
Parents information workshop – Relationships, Sex and Health Education	Thursday 22 October 2026	2.00-2.45pm or 3.15-4.00pm (<i>with creche provided after school</i>)
Open morning – for prospective parents	Thursday 05 November 2026	10.00-11.00am
Open afternoon – for prospective parents	Tuesday 10 November 2026	1.30-2.30pm
Parents information workshop – Online Safety	Wednesday 11 November 2026	2.00-2.45pm or 3.15-4.00pm (<i>with creche provided after school</i>)
World Children's day – "Come and play a game" afternoon	Friday 20 th November 2026	From 1.45pm
Christmas crafting afternoon*	Friday 4 December 2026	From 1.15pm
Nativity performances – adults only	Monday 7 December 2026	9.30am and 10.30am
Nativity performances – adults only	Tuesday 8 December 2026	9.30am and 10.30am
Nativity performances – babies and toddlers	Wednesday 9 December 2026	10.30am in the Church
Christmas movie night - fundraising	Wednesday 16 December 2026	After school – time to be confirmed

In addition to the events we invite you to share, we also have a few other items for your calendar:

Welly walk and Autumn picnic	Wednesday 30 September 2026	Please make sure forest rangers wellies and waterproofs are in school
Harvest assembly in Church	Wednesday 7 October 2026	Children invited to wear autumn colours. Donations in aid of the Women's refuge
School photographer	Friday 9 October 2026	Smartest hair and smiles day
Turn Bridgwater Pink day	Friday 23 October	Everyone invited to wear something pink. Donations in aid of Cancer research
Diwali dance workshop - The Ramayana	Tuesday 10 November 2026	Please make sure PE kits and daps are in school.
Children in Need	Friday 13 November 2026	Wear something spotty. Donations in aid of Children in Need
Christmas decoration day – wear Christmas clothes	Friday 4 December 2026	Everyone invited to wear Christmas clothes. Donations of food items or gifts for the Bridgwater Foodbank
Pantomime - Cinderella	Thursday 10 December 2026	Nothing additional needed
Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day	Thursday 10 December 2026	Children can wear Christmas jumpers instead of school jumpers/cardigans
Flu immunisations	Date to be confirmed	Nasal sprays – consent to be given online

As always, if you have any concerns or worries, please come and talk to us, we will help if we can.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Weatherburn', written in a cursive style.

Mary Weatherburn
Headteacher