

## Working Together to Achieve

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### Autumn Term Newsletter No 9

#### Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Please see below a message from the local branch of the Royal British Legion following our Poppy Appeal collection- thank you to everyone who contributed:-



*On behalf of the Royal British Legion, I would like to say a big thank you to you all and the children for raising £112.43 for the Poppy Appeal. It is very much appreciated, especially at this time where everyone is finding donations to things like the Poppy Appeal are difficult. However, every penny raised will go towards looking after our Service personnel and Veterans who are struggling to make ends meet.*

*Thank you once again for your efforts. Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas.*

*Kevin D Connor, Wellington Branch, Royal British Legion*

#### BBC Children in Need

Children in Need takes place tomorrow **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**. The children may wear Fancy Dress if they already have a costume to hand. Children could also wear Onesies, PJs or simply come as themselves! We have stressed to the children the overall theme is using something they already have rather than purchasing anything new!



To avoid collecting cash on the school premises or anything getting lost en-route, a donation item has been set up on Parentpay. To make a donation, please click on the following link:-

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=12672>





### **Bag2School**

There will be a Bag2School collection on the morning of **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November**. Funds raised are for the benefit of the Friends of Stawley School. Collection bags have already been sent home. They will collect clothes, bags, paired shoes, hats, scarves, ties, curtains, towels and soft toys. They do not accept uniforms, damaged clothing, duvets, blankets or pillows. You can also bring in donations in black refuse bags. **All bags must be in school by**

**9am on Monday.**

### **H Tempest Sibling and Individual Portraits**

This visit has been rescheduled for the morning of **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November** for sibling and individual portraits from 9am. Anyone who wishes to have sibling photos with younger children should bring them to school for 9am. This date still allows time for printing and delivery of photos for Christmas. All orders will be online and the forms will be sent home with the children on the day. You should place your orders as soon as possible after it goes online. **Smart school uniform is required please in school colours only including tights, socks and footwear.**

### **Yrs 5/6 Dodgeball**

There will be a Years 5/6 Dodgeball We Can Play at Blackbrook Pavilion on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** from 3.45-5pm. This will take place in the indoor tennis dome. Mr Stirzaker will let the children know who is playing. Please speak to him about transport.

### **Yrs 3 / 4 Football**

There will be a Years 3 / 4 Football event at Richard Huish College (3G) on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** from 3.45-5pm. Mr Stirzaker will let the children know who is playing and talk to parents about transport.



### **Whole School Flu Vaccinations**

Nasal flu vaccinations will take place here at Stawley School on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November**. The vaccination is being offered to **all** of the children.

**Please complete the consent form (one for each child, please) using the following link <https://www.somersetsaint.co.uk/Forms/Flu> and enter your school (Stawley Primary School) unique code SM123706.**

**This link will close on 23rd November but we request that you do this as soon as possible. If you are unable to access the online consent form for any reason, please contact Somerset SAINT for assistance.**

**Please complete the form even if you do not consent to the vaccination so that we have a response for each child.**

The consent form can only be completed by someone with parental responsibility. If you have any queries about whether or not you hold parental responsibility and are therefore able to complete the consent form, please contact the immunisation team on 0300 3230032. If you are unable to access the online consent form for any reason please contact Somerset SAINT for assistance.



The vaccine is given as a simple spray up the nose. It is painless, quick, and serious side effects are uncommon. It is designed to protect your child against flu which can be an unpleasant illness and, although rarely may cause serious complications. The flu vaccine provides protection against the strains that are predicted to circulate in the coming season. These strains may change from year to year which is why we recommend receiving the vaccination every year.

Further information can be found at the Public Health England website [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu). This information includes details about children for whom the nasal spray is not appropriate. There is an expectation that the immunisation team will only visit your child's school once during this programme, although community based catch up sessions for children will be offered at the end of 2022/early 2023.

If your child becomes wheezy or has their asthma medication increased just before or on the day of the vaccination session, please inform the Immunisation team on the day.

### **Friends of Stawley School (FOSS)**

Please find attached the latest newsletter from the Friends of Stawley School. FOSS is again donating a Christmas tree to the school. On **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November**, there will be a school craft activity led by FOSS to create Christmas tree decorations from 3.15pm.

### **Important-Admissions Process 2023/24**

This year due to budgetary constraints, Somerset County Council will NOT be sending out letters to parents of children due to start school in September 2024.

**The deadline for applications for Primary School from Sept 2024 is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**

The application portal on the Somerset County Council website is open for Primary admissions and parents can apply on line <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/children-families-and-education/applying-for-school/> or they can phone Somerset Direct for a paper copy of the application 0300 123 2224.

Parent information is now available on the Somerset County Council Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/SomersetSchoolAdmissions/>

### **Book of Excellence for the week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> November**

<b>Connor</b>	For scoring an amazing goal at the football tournament.
<b>Freddie</b>	For some excellent creative writing this week.
<b>Niall</b>	For being extra helpful around school and looking out for others.
<b>Torin</b>	For some fantastic spelling this week.
<b>Wilbur</b>	For amazing effort in phonics-working really hard to read some of the longer words we have been focusing on this week.
<b>Sholto, Kai</b>	For excellent contributions at the Lyme Regis Museum visit. They were able to provide excellent information and we were all so impressed with their knowledge.

*Jacqui Collier*



Dates for your Diary (new dates appear in red)

Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	BBC Children in Need
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9am H Tempest Photos siblings and individual portraits 9am Bag 2 School collection today am in aid of FOSS
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Yrs 5/6 Dodgeball We Can Play at Blackbrook Pavilion (indoor tennis dome) 3.45-5pm Yrs 3/4 Football We Can Play at Richard Huish College (3G) from 3.50-5.20pm
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	PM Whole school nasal flu vaccinations
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Last Fizzpop Science Club today
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Yrs 3/4 Football We Can Play at Richard Huish College (3G) from 3.50-5.20pm <b>FOSS Christmas Tree Decorations 3.15pm</b>
<b>Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Carol singing, hot chocolate, mulled wine and mince pies around the Christmas Tree 3.15pm TBC</b>
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Stawley Christmas Film Premiere TBC</b>
Weds 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Yr 2 Multiskills Festival at Court Fields 9.30-midday Hot Christmas lunch
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	AM Whole school visit to Taunton Brewhouse for A Christmas Carol. Departing 9.20am Packed lunches will be required today which can be Christmas themed.
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of term at 3.15pm
Tues 2nd Jan 24	INSET DAY
Weds 3rd Jan 24	INSET DAY
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan 24	Children return to school
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan 24	Deadline for Primary School applications for Sept 24
Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 1 Multiskills Festival at Court Fields 9.30am-midday
Fri 9th Feb 24	HALF Term commences at 3.15pm
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb 24	Children return to school
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Holiday commences at 3.15pm
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> April 24	Children return to school
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 24	INSET DAY
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May 24	Bank Holiday-school closed
Weds 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Reception Multiskills Festival at Court Fields from 9.30am to midday
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May 24	HALF Term commences at 3.15pm
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 24	Children return to school
Weds 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 5 and 6 Summer Multisports Festival at Court Fields from 9.30am to midday
Weds 24 <sup>th</sup> July 24	Summer holiday commences at the end of the school day

