



Shepton Beauchamp Church School News



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Head's Update...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school and especially to our new families who have joined us. I am so proud of how settled and focused all of our children have been and the amazing learning they are already producing.

It was wonderful to see so many of our families join us for our first Breakfast and Read and looking forward to welcoming you again throughout the term.

September's Online Safety Newsletter has some very useful information about AI generated images and Youtube, particularly to support you setting up managed accounts. There is also a very useful NSPCC Online Safety Quiz. Please do give the quiz a go for your family. It can be accessed here:
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-childrensafe/online-safety/quiz/>

Best wishes,

Kirsy Luffman
Head of School



THIS WEEK'S GALLERY



**Our school
attendance
target is
96%**

**We are at
97.36%**

**Phoenix Class
current
attendance**

95.00%

**Gryphon
Class current
attendance**

98.46%

Smart Watches

We have noticed an increase in children wearing smart watches to school. For safeguarding reasons we need to request these watches are not worn in school as digital photos and videos can be taken and saved and they have internet accessibility which is not filtered for safety. Our thanks for your support with this child safety measure.

100% Attendance this week

Esther Rosie Mabel
Otto Dylan Elli
Martha Amelia Stanley
Florence Immy Ruby
Tilly Freddie Millie
Josh Stirling

Headteacher drop-in sessions every Friday 2:15pm- 2:45pm

Mr Boyle is available for any parent to drop in to see him without the need for an appointment. Please do feel free to use this session to answer any queries you may have.

Friday Family Assemblies
Every Friday in Church at 2.45pm

Phoenix Class

Phoenix Class have had a fantastic first few weeks back at school! We are so proud of our new Reception children, who have settled in brilliantly and come into class each day with beaming smiles. Year 1 and 2 have been wonderful at welcoming and looking after their new friends.

We have already been busy with lots of exciting learning, including a material hunt in Science, exploring human and physical features in Geography, and investigating dens and shelters in DT. Reception have also begun their phonics journey and met Fred the Frog, who will help them along the way! Our first few weeks have been full of smiles, laughter, learning and fun!

Gryphon Class

This week, Gryphon Class have been busy with lots of exciting learning. In English, we explored the inspiring book *Change Sings* and used it as a model to help us write our own poems. We thought carefully about our word choices and how to create powerful messages through poetry. In History, we began our new topic on the Shang Dynasty. We became history detectives by examining a range of artefacts, discussing what they might have been used for and what materials they were made from. It was great fun sharing our ideas and making predictions before finding out more about this fascinating ancient civilisation.

Diary Dates

- **Friday 16th October - Harvest Festival 2.45pm in Church**
- **Wednesday 21st October - Book Look and Breakfast from 8.30am**
- **Friday 23rd October - Last Day of Term**
- **HALF TERM Monday 26th - Friday 30th October**
- **Monday 2nd November - INSET Day**
- **Tuesday 3rd November - Return to school**
- **Sunday 22nd November - Singing in the Square - Ilminster Christmas Lights Switch on.
(time to be confirmed)**
- **Wednesday 9th December - Christmas Performance 2pm and 5pm**

**The school calendar for 2026 to 2027 can be found under the Parents Tab:
<https://sheptonbeauchamp.co.uk/term-dates/>**