



# Shepton Beauchamp Church School News



Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026

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## THIS WEEK'S GALLERY

### Head's Update...

Dear Parents and Carers,

I just wanted to say a very big thank you for all the donations towards our outdoor learning environment. We have had lots of materials we can use to develop our own area - a big thank you for parents who have hunted these down within the community! It is greatly appreciated.

Gryphon and Phoenix class have been busy learning about their new topics of Rivers and Mountains and Monarchs - as always, I am so proud of their focus and dedication to their learning.

We are having another big push on reading and need your help! Children will be setting themselves reading challenges for the week and we are encouraging children to read every day to meet those challenges. By the end of Year 6 we aim for children to be able to read 90 words per minute to build stamina and fluency. Any support you can provide reading with your child would be fantastic!

Best wishes,

Kirsty Luffman  
Head of School



Bath & Wells  
Multi Academy Trust



Our school attendance target is 96%

We are at 97.11%

Phoenix Class current attendance

98.91%  
-0.51%

Gryphon Class current attendance

96.42%  
-0.32%



**Headteacher's Award**  
Elli Austin Florence  
**Friday's Child**  
Otto Daisy

**100% Attendance this week**  
**VIP Raffle Ticket Winners are...**  
Mabel      Violet      Otto  
Archie      Elli      Dylan  
Martha D      Stanley B  
Amelia      Ruby      Tilly  
Florence      Immy      Freddie  
Millie      Stirling      Josh  
Austin      Stan P      Daisy  
Martha W

Head of school drop-in sessions every Thursday at 9am.

As I work between both schools, I am mindful that I am not always around for drop-in sessions. Please do contact the office if you would like to meet with me if I am not on site and I will get a meeting booked in as soon as possible.

**Friday Family Assemblies**

Come and join us every Friday at 2.45pm.

**Outdoor Learning Day**

Today was our first outdoor learning day with Pachamama's. Shepton and what an experience! The children moved through a lively circuit of activities as we explored Misty Mountains and Winding Rivers. They created their own miniature rivers, floated handmade rafts downstream, and worked together to produce a large collaborative river artwork using a variety of materials. There was plenty of mud, plenty of laughter, and we rounded off the session perfectly with warm hot chocolate around the fire ring.

**Phoenix Class**

Phoenix Class have been diving into the magical story The Magic Bed and are busy planning their own adventure tales to write next week. In Maths KS1 have been adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers using different methods and equipment. In Science we explored the properties of materials and enjoyed sorting them in different ways. In RE we are learning about Judaism and the Torah. This week children learned about Simchat Torah and made colourful flags to celebrate. Reception children are doing brilliantly in phonics and are now starting to learn some special friend sounds with some super Fred Talk to read words.

**Gryphon Class**

In science this week, we continued exploring states of matter by focusing on the three forms water can take: ice, liquid water, and steam. The children melted ice cubes in the classroom to observe how solids change into liquids, and they also measured the temperatures of ice, cold water, warm water, and hot water to compare how heat affects each state. It was a hands-on, engaging way to deepen their understanding of how materials change.

**Diary Dates**

Thursday 29th January - Christingle 2.30pm

Friday 30th January - Breakfast and Art 8.30-9.15am

Family Assembly 9.15 in school

Shepton Beauchamp Pantomime

Friday 6th February - Outdoor Learning morning

Tuesday 10th February - Safer Internet Day

Friday 13th February - Last day of term

Monday 23rd February - First day of term

Friday 27th February - Outdoor Learning morning

Parents Evening TBC

The school calendar for 2025/26 can be found under the Parents Tab,

listed as Term Dates. Go to: [www.sheptonbeauchamp.co.uk](http://www.sheptonbeauchamp.co.uk)



# Breakfast and Art

COME AND JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST  
AND ART AT SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP  
CHURCH SCHOOL

Friday 30th  
January  
8:30-9:15