



# Shepton Beauchamp Church School News



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## Head's Update... attendance special edition

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have had to carry out an attendance review for our school. Prior to the Covid outbreak, average school attendance was 96%. I know we had some covid issues last year, but I am sorry to report that our school attendance for 2021-2022 dropped below this target last year.

This included several holidays taken during term time and multiple absences on a Friday or Monday. I have included a table below for you to see. As you all know, our staff work exceptionally hard for all our children. I must report to you, that every day of missed school, takes our staff away from other children, because they must try and help children to catch up. I am sure you agree that this is not fair. *(Illness, of course, cannot be avoided)*

This year, every child whose attendance drops below 95%, will now require us to have an Attendance review meeting with you - this will allow us to offer further support to our families. I trust you all understand the urgency of this matter and will do all you can to support us and each other.

Best wishes,

Connel Boyle

Executive Headteacher

## What was your child's attendance last year?

Your child's Attendance	How many days your child has fallen behind their friends...	If your child is regularly late by...	Over a year, your child has lost...
100%	0 Days	5 minutes...	3 DAYS LOST
95%	9 DAYS BEHIND	10 minutes...	6.5 DAYS LOST
90%	19 DAYS BEHIND	15 minutes...	10 DAYS LOST
85%	28 DAYS BEHIND	20 minutes...	13 DAYS LOST
80%	38 DAYS BEHIND	25 minutes...	19.5 DAYS LOST

**Your child will never catch up this learning. As a school we can only make up missed learning for between 5 and 9 days a year. We do try, but cannot work miracles!**



**Gold Winners**

**Silver Winners**  
Stanley and Ben

**Bronze Winners**

**Headteacher's Award**  
Ben, Stirling and Miles

**Guiding Stars**  
Iris and Amelia



**Headteacher drop-in sessions every Friday at 2.00pm.**  
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**

Come and join us every Friday at 2.45pm.  
We look forward to seeing you!

**Team Points**  
Week Ending 7/10/22

<b>Malala</b>	<b>87</b>
<b>Marcus</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>David</b>	<b>86</b>

**This week's winners are**  
**Marcus**  
**Well done!!!**



**What a display by Gryphon Class!**

The children have been using their knowledge gained in Art to make connections between different cultures and their own work.



## Our wonderful village heritage

What a morning! Our children all went to visit Jeff the Juicer to turn local Shepton Red Spark apples into juice last week.

We had planned to bottle lots of juice so that FOSS could sell them for the school, but we have been reliably informed that most of the product was consumed pretty quickly after the "Juicing". At least we know our children have all had their Vitamin C allowances!

## Somerset Rural Life Trip

Phoenix Class had a fascinating day at the Somerset Rural Life Museum in Glastonbury. We had a go at making a rag-rug and ate drop scones, warm from the coal-fired range.

The artefacts were very interesting and we were able to handle objects from a Victorian home. We asked a lot of very thoughtful questions and made connections to our class learning. We even saw an old-fashioned toilet that used to be outside! The children looked amazing dressed as Victorians... a new school uniform!!!?



### Diary Dates:

- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October - Parents Evening - Phoenix Class & Gryphon Class
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Parents Evening - Gryphon Class
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October - Wadham School Presentation at Family Assembly
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Federation Day @ Shepton
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October - Last day of Term 1
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October - INSET Day
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November - First day of Term 2

The school calendar for 2022 to 2023 can be found under the Parents Tab, listed as Term Dates. Go to:

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