



Yatton Schools Newsletter

Grow – Celebrate – Make a Difference



27 February 2026

Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the half-term break — it has been wonderful to see the children return with such enthusiasm and energy. We've had a fantastic start to the term, with both schools embracing their new assembly themes. The Junior School is already engaging deeply with compassion, while the Infant School is exploring curiosity with great excitement. It has been lovely to see these values coming to life across classrooms and playgrounds.

We also have a jam-packed few weeks ahead. World Book Day takes place this Thursday, with plenty of reading-themed fun planned across both schools. On 20th March, we will be supporting Red Nose Day, and towards the end of term, children from both schools will be taking to the stage at the North Somerset Dance Festival — always a highlight and a wonderful celebration of creativity.

We look forward to a busy, joyful term full of learning, teamwork, and memorable experiences for all.

With warm regards,
Mrs Howard and Mrs Clarke

Uniform Reminder

As we move through the year, we kindly ask all families to ensure that children are wearing the correct Yatton School uniform each day. This includes:

- Green/red jumper or cardigan
- White/green/red polo shirt
- Grey or black trousers, skirts, or pinafores
- Dark sensible shoes
- PE kit on designated PE days only

Please make sure all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name to help us return any misplaced items quickly. Thank you for your continued support in helping our pupils look smart and feel ready for learning.

PE Kit - When coming to school in PE kit it is important that children are wearing the correct Yatton PE kit.

Infants: red or white t-shirt and black shorts/joggers/leggings, school sweatshirt and suitable trainers.

Juniors: house colour or white t-shirt and black shorts/leggings/joggers, school sweatshirt and suitable trainers.

No football shirts or logo hoodies are allowed and shorts mustn't be too short.

Attendance Matters

Good attendance is vital to every child's learning, progress, and wellbeing. Each school day builds on the one before it, and even small amounts of missed time can add up quickly. We kindly ask families to support strong attendance by

ensuring children are in school every day and on time.

- Arriving on time helps children start the day calmly and confidently.
- Regular attendance supports learning, friendships, and routines.
- If your child is unwell, please inform the school office as early as possible.
- Medical appointments should be arranged outside of school hours wherever you can.

Together, we can give every child the best chance to succeed. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Morning whistle to signal the start to the Junior School day

Starting on Wednesday 4th March we will be blowing a whistle at both the Stowey Road gate and the carpark gate. We will blow the whistle at 8:55, at this time all children need to be going in to their classrooms as usual. We have decided to use a signal to mark the start of the day to ensure a sharp start to the day for all children, this will also help some of our older children who are arriving independently to know exactly when to go in to class. We will discuss this with the children in assembly.

Pupil Voice showcase

At Yatton Schools we value our children's fantastic ideas, suggestions and thoughts, therefore we have quite a few pupil voice groups. The groups are always busy with projects and on the spot support and when they are not busy they are always asking me for more jobs and meetings!

The groups would like to showcase the work they do to parents/carers. They will set up stands in the Junior School hall from 2:45 on Monday 30th March. They will have information leaflets to give out and be on hand for any questions/information sharing.

Groups:

School council
Respect Team
Anti-Bullying Ambassadors
Kindness Ambassadors

I look forward to seeing you there – Sarah Howard

World Book Day: Thursday 5th March 2026

Book Week: Monday 2nd March – Friday 6th March 2026

Dress up for World Book Day!

Children are invited to dress up on Thursday 5th March 2026 – World Book Day! The children can choose a character from a book, film or poem. It would be great if the children could bring in a copy of the book with their character or a picture. They will be sharing their costume and character with a partner class during the day.

Reading Café

We are inviting parents and /or family members in to read with your child/children for all or part of the

30-minute session timetabled below;

	Monday 2nd March	Tuesday 3rd March	Wednesday 4th March	Thursday World Book Day	Friday 6th March
Events	Bring in a book for book swap.	Reading Café Book Swap	Reading Café Book Swap	Reading Café Book Swap	Reading Café Book Swap
Reading Café (2.45pm – 3.15pm)		Year 5 in the Junior Hall .	Year 1 in the Infant hall. Year 3 in the Junior Hall.	Year 2 in the Infant hall. Year 4 in the Junior Hall	Year R in the Infant hall. Year 6 in the Junior Hall.
Book Swap (2.45pm-3.15pm)		Organised by the Year teachers	Organised by the Year teachers	Organised by the Year teachers	Organised by the Year teachers

There will be light refreshments (for a small, voluntary donation) available staffed by the school council.

Children in class will be having their own 'Reading café' by reading with partners, listening to the teacher or audio stories/poems online.

(If you have children in different years, you will be able to read with all the children during 1 session)

Cakes: We are asking for donations of cakes to offer at each Reading Café. If you are able to bake some cakes, please send them in on the day of your child's Reading Café. For example, Year 5 children will bring in cake donations on Tuesday.

Book Swap

Children will be able to bring in up to 4 books (suitable for their age) they have read in order to swap them during the week. We ask that the children bring in their books on Monday 2nd March. They will then have a chance during the week to swap it for another book.

Get Caught Reading!

Children have been set a challenge to 'Get caught reading' in an unusual place at home or outside of school. We have asked children to check with their parent first before having a photo taken. These can then be brought in or emailed to the office with the title 'Get caught reading'. Please include your child's full name and class. These will be celebrated at the end of the week and all names will be entered into a prize draw!



Red Nose Day....

Friday 20th March

For a donation of £1, School Council are asking pupils and staff to come in wearing something unusual/funny or red alongside the normal school uniform. This could be an extra-large tie, a funny hat, crazy hairstyle or something red, for example - a red t-shirt or red hair bow. There will be a competition given out on the day that children can enter at a later date and raise money for Comic Relief.

World Book Day Menu



Author visit

Year 6 were delighted to welcome local author Cathy Faulkner, who visited us to talk about her books *Digging for Victory* and *The Treasure Seekers*. Cathy shared her inspiring journey to becoming a writer and spoke about the key skills needed to succeed as an author. Pupils were highly engaged and enjoyed the opportunity to ask questions, and many were thrilled to purchase a signed copy of her books.



St Mary's Church Mother's Day service

The church would like to invite some children who would be willing to sing a short song for the mums at their Mother's Day service on 15th March at 10am. Traditionally mums all get a posy of flowers at the service and they would love to see some more young people in attendance.

Bridget Page is organising this, her telephone number is 01934 832184. She is hoping to rehearse with the children that can attend at 9.30am on the Sunday morning and Friday 13th at 6.30pm in The Chapter House before the adult church choir practice. It would only be a half hour practice and parents would be invited to stay. Please contact Bridget if you are interested.

Sport in Mind horse riding sessions

Sport in Mind have started a **free weekly** youth horse riding session for children and young people aged 10–15 at Urchinwood Manor Horse Riding Centre BS49 5AP. Sport in Mind is a mental health charity that uses sport and physical activity to support the emotional wellbeing of children, young people and adults. These sessions are designed to be supportive, inclusive and confidence-building, and are free to attend.

The horse riding sessions will run on Mondays from 4:30–5:30pm, with a maximum of 6 spaces per week, and are **suitable for complete beginners**. Each session will include a mixture of horse care and riding activities. The sessions will run for the foreseeable future, with planned pauses during school half terms. Please note an adult must attend with the young person and be willing to lead the horse whilst on a lead rein in walk and trot.

All places must be booked in advance. If you think this would benefit your child and they fit the criteria, please get in touch with Helen Clarke (SENCO) hclarke@yattonschoools.co.uk who the centre have asked to verify the needs and appropriateness of individuals applying for places.



SOMERSET **FREE!**

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Sport In Mind




Youth Activities for Mental Wellbeing

Sport in Mind provides **free sport** and **physical activity** opportunities for children and young people to help build confidence and self esteem, meet new people and support low mood and other mental health challenges.

Somerset Sessions

Day	Time	Activity	Age	Venue
Mon	4:30-5:30pm	Horse Riding	10-15 Yrs	Urchinwood Manor Equestrian Centre, Congresbury, Bristol BS49 5AP

Session runs weekly excluding school holidays
Participants must wear wellies/boots, long trousers (leggings/jogging bottoms) & a warm coat.

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YATTON LEARNERS OF THE WEEK!



Congratulations to the following learners for the weeks beginning the 25th January, 2nd, 9th & 23rd February.

Yatton Learner Skill	Name	Class
Responsibility	Daniel Jasper Polly Rebekah Amberly Rose Oscar Kingsley Sylvester Toby Ruben Rafe Darcey Sam J Harry M Oscar Corey	Great Grey Owls Snowy Owls Kingfishers Sea Turtles Whale Sharks Scops Owls Tawny Owls Puffins Whale Sharks Black Rhinos Giant Otters Jaguars Leopards Leopards Great Grey Owls Leopards
Resourcefulness	Eli Malaina	Elf Owls Giant Otters
Collaboration		
Resilience	Freya Molly Jasmine Sofia Evie Ruby Ella River Joseph Maia Alice Percy	Tawny Owls Eagle Owls Black Rhinos Giant Otters Giant Armadillos Elf Owls Kingfishers Black Rhinos Elf Owls Little Owls Whale Sharks Leopards
Confidence	Lori Toby Malachy Maisie Chester Ella Isabella Rudy Phoenix Lucy Emmett Evie	Puffins Puffins Eagle Owls Little Owls Jaguars Kingfishers Tawny Owls Eagle Owls Little Owls Puffins Sea Turtles Giant Armadillos
Curiosity	Lilia Harry B Jack I	Sea Turtles Sea Turtles Black Rhinos
All Yatton Learner Skills	Betsy Amelie C	Giant Armadillos Black Rhinos

Yatton Schools Association News

INFANT MOVIE NIGHT 🎬

Movie Night for INFANTS is Friday 6th March at 6:00pm till 7:15pm.

We'll be showing two Julia Donaldson film adaptations: The Smeds and the Smoos and The Scarecrows' Wedding.

Tickets are on sale for £4.50 via ParentPay (ONLINE SALES ONLY). The ticket price includes:

- A small bag of pick and mix sweets
- Some popcorn
- Free squash and water

Please note: There are a limited number of tickets available and they will be available to purchase until 4pm on Wednesday 4th March.

Drop-off & Pick-up Details:

- Drop-off: via school reception – doors open at 6:00pm
- Movies will start at approximately 6:15pm
- Pick-up: at 7:15pm through the junior gates at the back of the car park

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help on the night. If you would like to help and haven't signed up yet, please use the following link :-

<https://signup.com/go/uwykMUp>

JUNIOR MOVIE NIGHTS 🎬

Movie night for Years 3 & 4 will be on Friday 27th March.

Movie night for Years 5 & 6 will be on Friday 24th April.

Further details to follow.

CARNIVAL 2026 🎪

We'd love more parents to get involved in helping organise this year's carnival on 20th June. You can give as much or as little time as you like. Any help makes a real difference in raising essential funds for the school.

The next meeting is being held on Thursday 26th March at 7:30pm at The Butchers Arms in Yatton.

We will also be meeting on 23rd April and 21st May, with additional dates to be confirmed.

We'd love to see you there, do email weareysa@gmail.com, if you'd like to join us on any of these dates



Community News

Could you tell if your child was being exploited?



Join one of our free online sessions led by Child Exploitation Prevention Officer **Andri Nicolaou**

18 March 7:00 - 8:30pm **30 March 10:30am - 12:00pm**

Learn about the different forms of child exploitation and how offenders groom/exploit children both online and offline. We'll highlight warning signs a child may be at risk and practical steps you can take to keep them safe and respond to any concerns.

Visit the **Avon and Somerset Police Eventbrite page** or scan the QR codes below

18 March

30 March



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NORTH SOMERSET YOUTH AWARDS

DO YOU KNOW AN OUTSTANDING YOUNG PERSON AGED 8 TO 18 THAT LIVES OR RECEIVES EDUCATION IN NORTH SOMERSET?

We might just have something for you and for them...

WE ARE BACK FOR 2026...RESET ARE RUNNING THE NORTH SOMERSET YOUTH AWARDS TO CELEBRATE AND SHARE THE EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES THAT HAVE BEEN OVERCOME, HARDSHIPS THAT HAVE SHOWN GREAT RESILIENCE AND THE MAGNIFICENT WORK AND ACHIEVEMENTS CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS NORTH SOMERSET HAVE HAD. THE CATEGORIES ARE...

- Superhero
- Arts and Culture
- Learning
- Caring
- Team/Group
- Service to Children
- Environmental
- Sporting
- Fundraising



NOMINATIONS OPEN NOW



HOW TO APPLY.... EMAIL US FOR AN APPLICATION FORM OR JUST SEND US THE DETAILS OF THE YOUNG PERSON, WHO THEY ARE, PARENT/CARER DETAILS, HOW YOU KNOW THEM, WHAT CATEGORY AND WHY THEY SHOULD WIN.

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ACTIVITIES

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CODING WITH MINECRAFT

Learn to code with Minecraft in a fun interactive environment at our Coding with Minecraft Club.

Saturday 28th March

Yatton library
48 High St, Yatton BS49 4HJ

Ages 8-12



HOW TO JOIN

Scan the QR code to join and book a spot. Limited spaces available



After School Cycling and Friendship Group



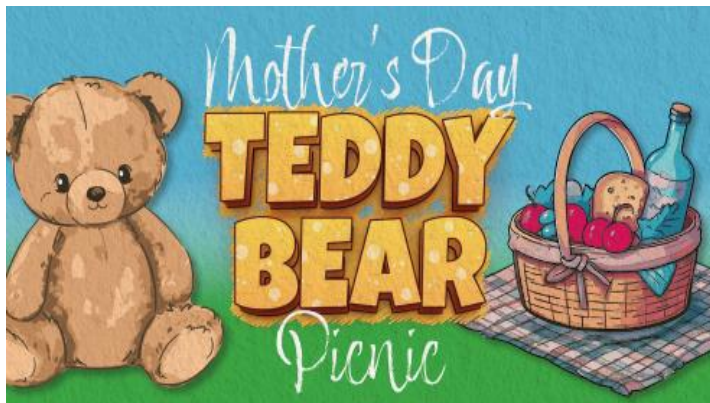
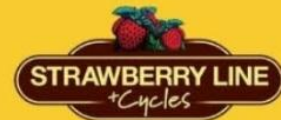
Join our Wednesday afternoon bike rides for young people with additional needs. Our ride leader supports the group for an hour of cycling, friendship and fun. Sessions are free of charge and riders can use our bikes or trikes.

Rides start and finish at our base at Yatton Railway Station, taking place along the Strawberry Line Cycle Path. Set off time is 4:30pm.



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