

# Ashcombe Primary School

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Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,



Despite an extremely wet end to last week, I'm pleased to share that we've had an excellent start to term 2 with lots going on in school. Two weeks ago, we held our first Carnival Day to celebrate and support the Carnival in Weston-super-Mare. The children had a great time crafting and creating and finally sharing what they had made in classes and in teams. It was really special to see the children starting an impromptu parade at the end of the day. We have been marking Remembrance by learning about the sacrifice and service people have given for our country and commonwealth – this culminated in a two minute silence we shared as a school last week. I was really proud to see how respectful

children of all ages were. The weather has definitely turned colder this week – please make sure children are sent into school with warm clothes as we will be heading outside for fresh air each day.

## Webinar for families – Smartphone safety and cyberbullying

Kooth are holding a free 45 minute webinar for families on smartphone safety and cyberbullying on Thursday 20th November from 6pm. They will share practical tips on how to help children deal with potential problems, how parents can spot signs of cyberbullying and what action to take.

The webinar will include information on:

- How their phone grabs and holds their attention
- The pressure they may feel to be online
- What cyberbullying might look like
- The impacts of social media and bullying
- How you can help young people stay safe
- How they can build a positive online space - information about Kooth for them and Qwell for parents/carers

Please follow this link for details about the webinar: [Kooth-webinar for families: smartphone safety & cyberbullying](#)



## Join us for a SEND Coffee Morning – January 8<sup>th</sup> 2026



North Somerset Parent Carers Working Together (NSPCWT) and Ashcombe invite parents and carers of children with additional needs or disabilities to a relaxed and friendly coffee morning on **January 8<sup>th</sup> 2026 between 9 and 11 am**. This is a great opportunity to meet other families, share experiences, and access support in an informal setting. Our team will be on hand to answer questions, signpost to local services, and discuss ways we can work together to improve outcomes for children and young people. Whether you're looking for advice or simply a chance to connect, we'd love to see you there!





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## AFA Christmas Fayre

Last week, volunteers met with staff to make arrangements for the AFA Christmas Fayre which is taking place on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December between 3:30 and 5pm after school. There are a number of stalls old and new which families can take part in. We'd love to see you there! Please remember that we'll be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November and we're looking for donations to support at the Fayre.

## WEMA Music Centres

WEMA Music Centres offer fantastic opportunities for children and young people to explore music beyond the classroom. Open to all abilities, these centres provide a welcoming space to join ensembles, orchestras, choirs, and even rock and pop bands. Sessions take place during term time on Saturday mornings and weekday evenings, giving pupils the chance to develop their skills, perform in concerts, and make new friends. Whether your child is a beginner or an experienced musician, WEMA Music Centres are all about creativity, confidence, and fun. Please see their website here: <https://wema.org.uk/music-hub/young-people-families/wema-music-centres/> or look at the flyer attached with this newsletter for more information.



## Important Dates ahead

*I will endeavour to keep these dates in place but on occasion we will need to make changes if circumstances change. I'll aim to give families as much notice as possible for this though.*

### Term 2:

**Term 2 begins: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025**

AFA Drop and Shop – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November

AFA Drop and Shop – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November

AFA Non-uniform day – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November (Children can wear non-uniform in exchange for a donation to the Christmas Fayre)

Reception Nativity – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December pm (More details to follow)

Reception Nativity – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December am (More details to follow)

AFA Christmas Fayre – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Year 2 Christmas Presentation 1 – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December pm

Year 2 Christmas Presentation 2 – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December am

**Christmas Dinner Day – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December (Children can wear Christmas Jumpers)**

**Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December (Children can wear Christmas Jumpers)**

**Parent Forum Meeting 1 - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December (9:00-10:00am) – Pupil wellbeing and personal development**

**Christmas Parties (Children can wear party clothes)**

**Reception, Years 1 and 2 – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

**Years 3 and 4 – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

**Years 5 and 6 – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

**Weston College Pantomime**

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End of term 2 – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

### **Term 3:**

**INSET Day – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Term 3 begins: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

SEND Coffee Morning – January 8<sup>th</sup> 2026

Art Day – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January

Year 4 Presentation – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February pm

Year 4 Presentation – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February am

Curry Day – Donated by Poppadoms & Aishah's food Charity – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January

**Parent Forum Meeting 2 - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January (2:00-3:00pm) – Behaviour**

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Superhero day – In memory of Austin Newcombe

End of Term 3: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

### **Term 4:**

**INSET Day – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026**

**Term 4 begins: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

World Book Day – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March (More details to follow)

**Mid-year School Reports sent out – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March**

Year 5 Parent Presentation 1 – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March pm

Year 5 Parent presentation 2 – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March am

Red Nose Day – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March (Children wear something red. Suggested donation of £1 to be made via ParentPay)

Ashcombe's Got Talent Finals – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April

**Parent Forum Meeting 3 – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March (9:00-10:00am) – Inclusion**

AFA Easter Fayre – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

End of Term 4 – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

### **Term 5:**

**Term 5 begins: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**Class Photos YR and Y6 – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

Y5 Morfa Bay residential – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May

**Parent Forum Meeting 4 (2:00-3:00pm) – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May – Transition**

KS2 Test week – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

Year 1 Parent Event/Performance 1 – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May pm

Year 1 Parent Event/Performance 2 – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May am

Day of Sport and Kindness for Liam Shepherd Foundation - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May (Children can come into school in sports kit)

End of Term 5 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

### **Term 6**

**INSET Day – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026**

**Term 6 begins: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026**

Y4 Multiplication Check Window Opens – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Y1 Phonics Screening Check week – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June

**Reception and Year 1 sports day – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June (reserve day Friday 19<sup>th</sup>)**

**Parent Forum Meeting 5 – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June (9:00-10:00am) - Community**

AFA Summer Fayre – Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July

**Parents' Evening 1 – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 4:00-7pm**

**Parents' Evening 2 – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 3:30-6:00pm**

**Year 4, 5 & 6 sports day – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July (reserve day Friday 10<sup>th</sup>)**

**Year 2 & Year 3 sports day – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July (reserve day Friday 17<sup>th</sup>)**

**Y6 Leavers Show, Parents Lunch and Service – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July am and pm**

Y6 Guard of Honour Goodbye – 2:40pm Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

End of Term 6 – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

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Yours sincerely,

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