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West Huntspill Primary Academy

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Term 4 Newsletter

27th February 2026



Dear Families,

Wishing you and very warm welcome back to the start of Term 4. We all hope you had a good break over half term.

Our first week has been go, go, go. We have certainly hit the ground running with getting straight back into learning. As I have gone round and talked to children this week, they have all been an absolute joy telling me all about their learning and (this is the bit that I am super-excited about) why they are learning and what difference it is making to them. One young man said "I feel so proud of myself when I am learning, it feels so warm inside I can't but smile on the outside." Well it doesn't get better than that right?

A reminder that full reports will be going out at the beginning of term 5, please always get in touch if you would like to talk about your child's learning.

Thank you for your continued support.

Emma Barker

Headteacher

March

5th – World Book Day & Deadline for photos for reading competition/Family Craft

5th – Aspens Themed Day lunch!

18th – PFSA Healthy Eating Burnham Infants

20th – PTFA Movie Night

23-27th – Layer Up Power Down Week

25th – PFSA Sleep Hygiene Burnham Infants

25th – HAZEL CLASS Celebration of Learning & Ukulele Performance

26th – WILLOW CLASS Celebration of Learning

30th – ROWAN CLASS Celebration of Learning

31st – ASH CLASS Celebration of Learning

April

1st - Easter Family Crafting

1st – PFSA Behaviour Mgmt Burnham Infants

2nd – Term 4 ENDS

20th – Term 5 Starts

May

8th – Charterhouse Payment deadline Year 6



Family Wellbeing Support and Advice

At our school we know how important it is to work closely with our families. This Padlet contains useful information that we have collated to support your child and families wellbeing and mental health.

<https://padlet.com/TheHuntspillPrimaryAcademy/family-wellbeing-support-and-advice-caz1yvoarxz7lick>

TERM 1 - CURIOSITY

TERM 2 - RESPECT

TERM 3 - CREATIVITY

TERM 4 - HOPE

TERM 5 - RESILIENCE

TERM 6 - COURAGE

Our School Values

School values are the guiding principles and character traits that a school aims to instil in its pupils. They shape how children learn, behave, and interact with others, helping to create a positive, supportive, and respectful school culture.

These values are taught explicitly and are reinforced through daily routines, assemblies, and classroom practice to support pupils' decision-making, personal development, and long-term success.

Common examples of school values include respect, resilience, honesty, kindness, and determination.

Many schools also promote wider civic values such as democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

Together, these values help children grow into confident, responsible, and compassionate members of both the school and the wider community.

Here are our school value for this year

Easter Family Crafting

Wednesday 1st April
2:30 PM to 3:00 PM

Class based activities, siblings
welcome!



LOCAL JOB VACANCIES

WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PART TIME VACANCIES ACROSS OUR
LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS. PLEASE POP INTO A SCHOOL FOR
MORE INFORMATION OR VISIT WWW.THEPLT.ORG.UK/CAREERS

LUNCHTIME ASSISTANT 7.5 HRS A WEEK
- WEST HUNTSPELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR 5 HOURS A WEEK
- EAST HUNTSPELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR 3 HOURS A WEEK
- PAWLETT PRIMARY SCHOOL

LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT 14 HOURS A WEEK
- WEST HUNTSPELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Safeguarding

If you have any Safeguarding concerns or just need to speak to a member of Staff confidentially you can book an appointment with our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Laura Collins, or our Deputy Safeguarding Leads Emma Barker and Amanda Loach.

For Little Learners Samara Johnson is our Designated Safeguarding Lead with Louise Jones as Deputy Safeguarding Lead.



Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224

Email: childrens@somerset.gov.uk

Police: 101 or in an emergency 999

Rowan Class

This week Rowan class welcomed PSCO Craig into our class to learn about 'sharing images online.' The children were taught how to use social media safely, they watched a video and took part in an activity to reinforce the message. This follows on from the work we did for 'Safer Internet Day' earlier in the month and our on-going PSHE lessons.



Little Learners

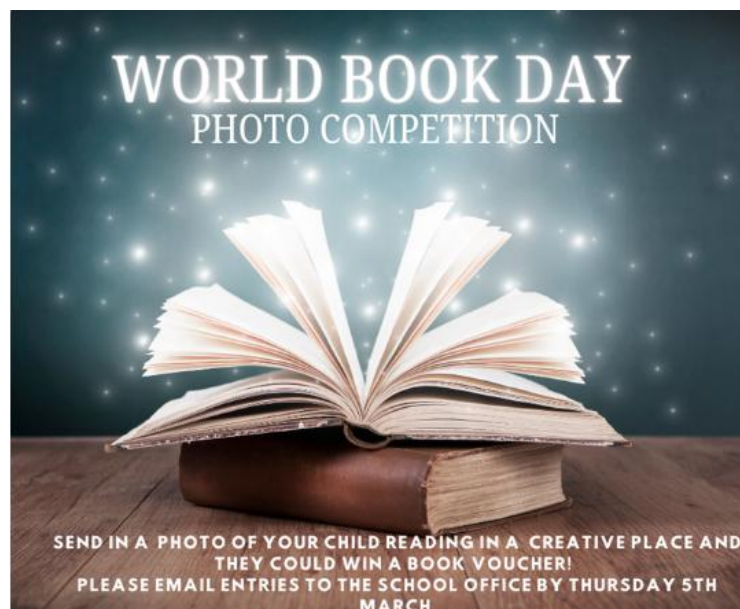
Welcome back Little Learners, we hope you had a lovely half term. It has been lovely to see what the children have been doing at home on the EYParent app. The children have shared their lovely news and photos of yummy pancakes, spending time outside and trips to the zoo too!

We have enjoyed learning all about Lunar New Year the year of the horse. We made Chinese lanterns, practised Chinese writing and read a story about Peppa's new year celebrations.

We can't wait to see your costumes or props for World Book Day on Thursday. Don't forget to send in your photos for the reading competition.



Please come to the office if you are having trouble locating a costume we have a few to loan out!



WORLD BOOK DAY

5TH MARCH

All children are invited to **dress up as a favourite book character** or **bring in a prop** belonging to a character. They will discuss with their class who they are or what they have brought in.

Each class teacher will hold a **story time** after lunch. Children can choose which teacher's story they would like to listen to.

At 2:30pm families are invited into class for a **World Book Day craft session**- decorating a crown in the theme of a book.

We are running a '**reading in unusual places**' **photo competition** from 13th February to 5th March - email your entries to west@thna.theplt.org.uk



Please send in your photo's of your children reading in unusual places we're enjoying seeing them as they come in!

Little Learners @ West Huntspill

Spaces available in September 2026

Full and part time preschool places for
2, 3 and 4 year olds

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Tickets available in the office!

A poster for PTFA Movie Night. The background is red. On the left, there's a white sign that says 'MOVIE NIGHT' with a star below it. In the foreground, there's a pile of popcorn and a red and white striped bag. On the right, there's text about the event.

🎬 **PTFA MOVIE NIGHT!** 🎬
Friday, 20th March 2026

Get ready for a cozy afternoon of cinema fun!
We are hosting a special movie night to celebrate the end of the week.

🎬 **Movies Start: 3:30 PM**
🎬 **Collection: 5:00 PM Sharp**
🎬 **Refreshments: A snack and a drink are included! £5 per ticket**

The "Pyjama" Policy: To make it extra cosy, children are invited to bring their PJs into school in a labelled bag on the morning of the 20th. They will change before the movie starts!

🎬 **Film Choice:**
Inside Our PG
Diary of a Wimpy Kid PG
Please give consent and choice of film when purchasing tickets

Term Dates 2026-2027

Term 1	Starts Thursday 3rd September 2026 Ends Friday 23rd October 2026 * Thursday 3 rd September and Friday 4 th September are Inset days. Pupils start Monday 7 th September.
Term 2	Starts Monday 2nd November 2026 Ends Friday 18th December 2026 * Monday 2 nd November is an inset day.
Term 3	Starts Monday 4th January 2027 Ends Friday 12th February 2027 * Monday 4 th January is an inset day.
Term 4	Starts Monday 22nd February 2027 Ends Thursday 25th March 2027
Term 5	Starts Monday 12th April 2027 Ends Friday 28th May 2027 * Monday 12 th April is an inset day.
Term 6	Starts Monday 7th June 2027 Ends Friday 23rd July 2027 * Monday 7 th June is an inset day.

INSET DAYS (CLOSED TO STUDENTS)

Thursday 3 rd September
Friday 4 th September
Monday 2 nd November
Monday 4 th January
Monday 12 th April
Monday 7 th June

Rowan Class

We need old books! Tatty, torn, unloved - we want them all for a craft activity. It could be picture books, old-fashioned texts, novels, books in different languages - anything at all!

Please bring into Rowan class by Monday 2nd March!



Energy Sparks

Layer up, Power Down Week

"Layer Up, Power Down" is an energy-saving initiative for schools, promoted by Energy Sparks. It encourages students and staff to wear warmer clothes so the school can lower its heating and electricity use, typically focusing on a specific week.

Layer up week: 23rd March - 27th March

We are currently 2nd in the South West of England



Sleep Hygiene Session



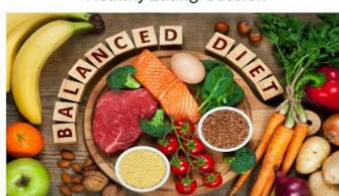
Burnham on Sea Infants School

Wednesday 25/3/26

3:30-4:30pm



Healthy Eating Session



Burnham on Sea Infants School

Wednesday 18/3/26

3:30-4:30pm



Behaviour Management Strategies Session



Burnham-on-Sea Infants School

Wednesday 1/4/26

3:30-4:30pm



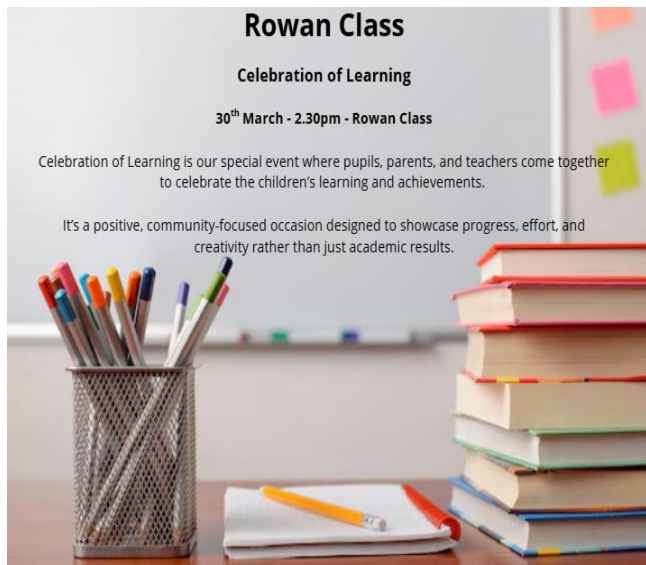
Rowan Class

Celebration of Learning

30th March - 2.30pm - Rowan Class

Celebration of Learning is our special event where pupils, parents, and teachers come together to celebrate the children's learning and achievements.

It's a positive, community-focused occasion designed to showcase progress, effort, and creativity rather than just academic results.



Hazel Class

Celebration of Learning & Ukulele Performance

25th March

Ukulele - 9am
Celebration of Learning 9.30am

Join us for our Ukulele Performance and Celebration of Learning to see all of the fantastic achievements your child has made so far this year!

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing their progress, effort, and hard work.



Willow Class

Celebration of Learning

26th March 2.50pm Willow Class

Join us for our Celebration of Learning to see all of the fantastic achievements your child has made so far this year!

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing their progress, effort, and hard work.



Ash Class

Celebration of Learning

31st March 2.30pm Ash Class

Join us for our Celebration of Learning and see all the amazing work your child has achieved this year so far!

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing their fantastic progress and hard work. 🍌



Have a good weekend!