

Our School Newsletter

21st November 2025







#### Discovery

We enjoyed reading the story of the Three Little Pigs and then making houses for them..



This week in our literacy,
Explorers have been using
hot seating to help our ideas
with what our creatures
will look like, where they
live and what they eat and
drink. It has been bonkers,
but utterly fantastic!















#### Adventure

Adventure Class have had a lovely week this week and last. We ended last week with our 'Passion for Porlock' activities, which the children loved—especially using their map skills and taking part in orienteering.

This week, the children have also been working super hard in Literacy, writing a diary entry from the point of view of an animal in The Great Kapok Tree. They explored how the animals might feel when the man comes along and begins chopping the tree down, and they have been thinking carefully about how to show these thoughts and feelings in their writing. This has also been a wonderful way to link our Literacy work with our Geography topic on the rainforest.

In Maths, the children have finished their work on column addition and have now started exploring column subtraction, which they have been really enjoying.

#### Oaks Nursery

Nursery and Discovery Class enjoyed Passion for Porlock at Dunster beach. They cycled along the Coast path towards Blue Anchor and then joined in With a beach school session.

A Wonderful afternoon had by all!





#### Reminders / Important Info

Thank you so much for your support with our fundraising events so far. We have just ordered a clear tarpaulin to provide some wind/rain protection to the Explorers outdoor area. Totals raised have been attached below.

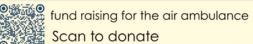
We will be holding a cake sale next Friday in aid of the Air Ambulance fundraiser - 50p suggested donation per cake please.





#### Heads Up for Air Rescue!





#### Message from Mrs Walker-Blair

I'd like to begin my message by sharing what a lovely Remembrance week we had last week. The children in KS2 attended a service on the marsh, and KS1/EYFS joined together for their respectful silence.

We are delighted to welcome back Mrs Milton into Explorers this week, thank you all for your well wishes. The children have thoroughly enjoyed their writing lessons – this is one of Mrs Milton's many strengths and an area Mrs Milton is keen to develop further in line with our school development plan.

The 'Heads Up for Air Ambulance' fundraiser is creeping closer too. I am thrilled to be part of this event (although slightly nervous about keeping up with the other HoS!) Thank you to those who have shared the details or donated to this cause so far.

Have a wonderful weekend!



## Celebrating our achievements!



Our

Our Value for this term

#### Compassion

The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

Proverbs 145: 8-9 The Message Bible





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#### Wellbeing Support

 Click here for Support for Families





Dates for the next few weeks:

Weds starting 5th November – EYFS Swimming. (Last swim this term 10<sup>th</sup> Dec)

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> November – Gymnastics Competition – KS1
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Cake sale to support Air Ambulance
Monday & Tues 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> December – all school Christmas
Craft Days – Children to wear messy clothing
Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Dec – Movie Night – 3.30 – 5pm – film TBC
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Panto – 'Peter Pan' at Village Hall for main school children, finish as by 3.25pm. Plez e buy ticket on Parentmail

Events calendar now live on our website.

Click here to find out what is happening in your school!



#### Website Information

- What we are learning
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#### Contact Details

#### SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS -

Our designated safeguarding lead is Mrs Walker-Blair.
Our deputy leads are Miss Jennings and Mrs Pravato
Click <u>here</u> for all Safeguarding details.

#### **GENERAL SCHOOL QUERIES -**

Contact Mrs McLaren in the School Office:

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# Christmas Events at St Dubricius December 2025

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> / Tuesday 2nd ALL DAY	Christmas Craft days (wear old clothes please)
Thursday 4th	Movie Night 3:30pm-5pm (tickets available to purchase on Parentmail)
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle Service in church 2:30pm
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Patronal Service, St Nicholas Church Porlock Wei 3pm
Thursday 11th December	Xmas jumper day (All day) Wrapping room (PM)
⊸Friday 12th December	Panto @ village hall 2pm - 3.25pm Living Nativity 6pm Porlock Museum
Saturday 13th	Christmas tree festival & carol singing - St Dubrici Church 4:30pm
Monday 15th	Bring in fair donations (AM) Christmas dinner @ village hall 12pm
esday 16 <sup>th</sup> / Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	School Fair 3:30-4:15pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas disco (AM) Carol service 2:30pm - St Dubricius Church
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Experience 2pm St Mary's, Oare <sup>°</sup> Christmas Concert 7pm St Dubricius Church
Christmas Eve	3:30pm Crib Service - St Dubricius Church



# Is your child due to start school in September 2026?.

Deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Please go on to the Somerset Council website and look for 'Starting School'.

## Christmas Card Designs

There is another opportunity to order your Christmas Cards. New closing date is 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Please check your child's book bag for the design order form or log onto

shop.classfundraising.co.uk





#### **Number 1** West Somerset Active Kids Activity Sessions

# Open to all families, Active Kids Sessions Mondays - St Dubricius School, Porlock.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November to Monday
15<sup>th</sup> December (7 weeks)
Total of £24.50 for half term
Fees are paid in advance to secure the place.
9.30am to 10.15am
Ages 2 1/2 - 4 years approx.

Come along and enjoy a 45
minute Activity Session focusing
on the ABC's of Fundamental
movement patterns including
running, jumping, skipping,
throwing, catching, balancing, coordination, agility and social
development.



To book please e-mail Emmanumber1WS@gmail.com, payment will be expected at time of booking and places can not be held.

### 2025/2026 SOMERSET SAINT FLU VACCINATION WALK IN CLINICS FOR ALL SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN (From Reception up to and including Year 11)

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 09:30 - 14:30 Bridgwater Community Hospital, Bower Lane, Bridgwater TA6 4GU

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 14:00 - 17:00 Minehead Community Hospital, Luttrell Way, Minehead TA24 6DF



Dear Parents/Guardians.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing your child to take part in The Supervised Toothbrushing Scheme at school, by signing your child up to take part you are helping to reduce the risk of your child developing dental decay as well as reducing potential problems later on in life.

As part of your child taking part in The Supervised Toothbrushing and receiving the free resources, parents are required to fill out a short survey about their child's current dental routine and dental situation, please click on the link and complete www.bigbrushclub.co.uk/parent-survey.

All information from this survey is fed back to the NHS and will show how we can support the community to better Oral Health in the Southwest.

Free webinar: Learn how to care for your children's teeth

Big Brush Club hosts free online webinars for parents and guardians. These cover the main
causes of tooth decay and preventive advice. Find out when our next webinar is at:
www.bigbrushclub.co.uk/families



Children In Need 2025

Thank you for your support
We raised £72.50





- Our Non -Uniform day in October raised £65 towards raffle prizes/wrapping room gifts
- Autumn Disco raised £63
- Autumn Bingo raised £257
- Autumn Raffle raised £126

