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*I have come that they may have life,
and have it to the full.
John 10:10*

Elm Class

On Monday afternoons we are doing things differently in key stage one this half term.

The year twos have been getting together with Miss Guildford to learn science through forest school.

Meanwhile, the year ones have been gathering in Elm class where Mr Oxley has been teaching them science.

As you can see from the photos, the year ones have been working hard to develop their working scientifically skills whilst having a lot of fun. So far they have used Skittles to conduct experiments and learned all about minibeasts.



Willow and Rowan Class Sponsored Run and Read

Thank you to all of the Rowan and Willow parents, families and friends who have sponsored their children to run and read this week. On Tuesday, some of the children ran 5km at lunch time and today some of the Rowan boys ran close to 8km! Fantastic efforts considering the heat!

Also, a huge well done to the huge group of Year 4 and 5 children who read silently for a combined 58 minutes over the two sessions. We will let you know the total amount raised towards our table tennis table when we have collected all of the sponsorship money!

Mike Davis
Deputy Headteacher



Summer Term – Important Dates

June

Sat 21 st June	150 Years Exhibition & Summer Fair 11.00am – 2.00pm
Tues 24 th June	YR visit to Court Farm
Wed 25 th June	Parent Book Look 3.30pm – 5.00pm Y6 Play 6.00pm
Thurs 26 th June	Y6 Play 6.00pm
Fri 27 th & Mon 30 th June	INSET – School Closed

July

Tues 1 st & Wed 2 nd July	Y6 Transition Days
Wed 2 nd July	'Move Up' Morning
Fri 4 th July	EYFS Sports Day – School Field : 9.00am -10.15am KS1 Sports Day – School Field : 10.30am-12.00noon KS2 Sports Day – KGV Field : 1.00pm-3.00pm
Mon 7 th to Fri 11 th July	Music Week
Mon 7 th to Wed 9 th July	Y6 Residential to Kilve
Thurs 10 th July	Parent Workshops from 4.30pm – further details to follow
Fri 11 th July	A Celebration of the Arts – further details to follow
Tues 15 th July	Choir to Bridgwater Singing Festival
Wed 23 rd July	Leavers Service : 2.00pm

Secondary School Places

On Monday 14th July at 6pm Amelia Walker (Service Director Education for Somerset Council) and Lorraine Heath (CEO of Blackdown Education Partnership) and other Council employees will be at Trull School to talk and answer questions about secondary school places. This evening is open to all families, not just Year 6 parents, as this will affect all families in the future.

We will set up a link to book next week and will email when it goes live. You will need to let us know if you would like to come as this will go out to other schools next Friday.

ATTENDANCE

The class with the best attendance this week is:

Ash and Oak Class!

We take child protection extremely seriously at our school. If you have a concern, you can speak to any of the school's designated and trained Child Protection officers: Miss Grammer, Mrs Cerullo, Mr Bottomley or Mrs Crudge. Alternatively, you can ring Childrens Social Care on: 0300 123 2224 or Email childrens@somerset.gov.uk

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about MINECRAFT



Still the best-selling game of all time, Minecraft is a bastion of creativity and community, with hundreds of millions of players building and crafting in its almost endless world. The popularity of Minecraft among gamers of all ages means it's important to remain informed about the game, including how to play it safely and whether it's suitable for the children in your care. That's why we've created this guide explaining the risks associated with Minecraft and how to ensure a purely enjoyable gaming experience.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCARY ELEMENTS

While Minecraft can be seen as a kind of 'digital LEGO', certain game modes include creatures accompanied by eerie sound effects. These can be a bit too frightening for some younger players, potentially leading to distressing in-game combat and other encounters – although the combat is quite basic and free from any real depiction of violence.

GRIEFING

Some players in Minecraft take pleasure in deliberately damaging or destroying another person's creations. This behaviour, known as 'griefing', is a form of bullying – it intentionally ruins someone else's experiences by wasting hours of their work and forcing them to start over. Many public servers regard griefing as a serious offence and often ban those who engage in it.

ADDICTIVENESS

Minecraft's focus on creativity means that, as with any creative endeavour, it can be easy to get carried away. If your child is finding it difficult to manage their time because they're drawn in by Minecraft's gameplay loop of resource gathering and building elaborate projects, it could have a knock-on effect on their social interactions and schoolwork.

PUBLIC SERVERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

With public servers being so easily accessible in Minecraft, it's highly likely that children will end up chatting with strangers through the in-game text chat. Some servers even place an emphasis on social interaction, actively encouraging communication between players. While there's nothing inherently wrong with this, it does carry certain risks. In addition to the concerns around speaking with strangers online, players who host their own servers may have their IP addresses exposed, posing a further security concern.

ADDITIONAL PURCHASES

Minecraft is available as a free trial on a variety of devices; however, the full game requires a one-off purchase. After that, players have the option to buy additional cosmetic upgrades or subscribe to Minecraft Realms. Realms is an entirely optional subscription service that allows users to run their own private server to play with friends. Without proper supervision, younger players may end up making unintended or excessive purchases.

Advice for Parents & Educators

CHOOSE THE RIGHT MODE

Selecting Creative or Peaceful mode allows children to play Minecraft without having to contend with enemies. It's also a great way for you to get used to playing the game with them, since the difficulty level is far lower. This allows you to work together on a long-term project, creating something special without the threat of enemies and creatures attacking you or damaging your building.

HOST A PRIVATE SERVER

The easiest way to find a safe server for children to play on is to make one yourself. Hosting a server prevents strangers from finding it, unless they've been given its address and password. A private server also lets you control who's allowed to enter and – if necessary – ban anyone who shouldn't be there. This is the closest equivalent to parental controls in Minecraft. Hosting a private server, however, will cost a monthly fee.

TALK ABOUT STRANGERS

At some point in their lives, almost everyone will make contact with a stranger online. Talking to children about online safety, therefore, is essential – as is having a plan for dealing with any hostile or difficult people. It's important that a child knows never to tell a stranger about themselves online and that they should come to you straight away if they do encounter a problem.

RESEARCH CONTENT CREATORS

Much of Minecraft's early stages can be an exercise in frustration for players who don't know where to start. Thankfully, there's a wealth of material online and in video format to help you learn the basics. Just be mindful that some of this content may not be appropriate for children, so you should consider watching it yourself first.

PLAY MINECRAFT WITH YOUR CHILD

As a creative building tool, Minecraft makes it great fun for children to team up and construct vast buildings accompanied by imaginative landscapes, much like working with LEGO or model kits. Playing in a game mode that includes enemies can encourage critical thinking and teamwork; however, you should consider which game mode is appropriate for the child in your care.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is Gaming Editor at the Daily Star, and has worked in games media for more than 6 years. A long-time gaming enthusiast, he is also a parent and therefore a keen advocate of online safety for children of all ages.



21st June 2025
Trull Memorial Hall



the Trull PLAYERS
SUMMER SHINDIG '25

Join us for the second Trull Player's Summer Shindig, a fantastic evening of live music and dancing. Tickets and more info:
www.trullplayers.org.uk

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Neurodiversity Courses

June/ July 2025

Understanding Autism Online 18 July – 31 July (Fri), 09:30-12:00

The Neurodivergent Journal - Reflect, Create, Connect
Frome centre & Online 25 June-30 July (Wed), 13:00-14:30


* See website for Eligibility



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Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Autism
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MULTI-SPORT ACTIVITY CAMP

DODGEBALL

SUMMER HOLIDAYS
Thursday 24th July 2025
Friday 25th July 2025
08:30 – 16:00
£25 per day
Trull C of EVA Primary School
Head Coach: Mrs. Mitchell
Assistant Coach: Mrs. Andrews

NEW! NOW OPEN TO CURRENT YEAR 2-YEAR 6 CHILDREN

* max. 24 children per day, minimum of 15 for clubs to run.

Bookings now open for Summer Multi Sport Activity Camp for all current Year 2 up to and including current Year 6 children.

Please complete the form and bring with your payment to the office to secure your place.

If you have already completed the form and given this to Mrs Mitchell but have not yet paid please make payment as soon as possible to secure your place.



PRIMARY
SPORTS & EDUCATION

QUEEN'S COLLEGE FOOTBALL FUSION SUMMER CAMPS

AGES 5 - 13

DATES:
WEEK 1 - 28TH - 31ST JULY
WEEK 2 - 4TH - 7TH AUGUST
WEEK 3 - 11TH - 14TH AUGUST
WEEK 4 - 18TH - 21ST AUGUST
WEEK 5 - 26TH - 28TH AUGUST

TIMES:
STANDARD DAY - 9:00AM - 15:30PM
EXTENDED DAY - 8:00AM - 17:30PM

PRICES:
STANDARD DAY - £30
EXTENDED DAY - £35

MORE INFO:
<https://www.primary-sports.co.uk/events/2025/07/28/queen-s-college-football-camps-summer-holidays>

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ENROL NOW

**SHOW IN A WEEK
SUMMER WORKSHOP**

DATE: 11 - 15 AUGUST
TIME: 10AM - 4PM
AGES: 5 - 18 YEARS
COST: £210 (SIBLING £189)
9-5 WRAP-AROUND CARE AVAILABLE

CHILD CARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

Enquire for more information email: taunton@stagecoach.co.uk visit: www.stagecoach.co.uk/taunton

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