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

Maple Class News

Maple Class have had a fantastic couple of weeks filled with creativity and excitement! In history, we have been learning about The Gunpowder Plot and in English we have been using our knowledge to write some brilliant diary entries. We have also created some vibrant firework artwork to link with our history learning - the classroom is now bursting with colour and sparkle!

We had a wonderful time during our first Forest School session of the year! The children loved using their senses to explore nature and create their very own wilderness perfumes. The fresh scents of lavender, rosemary and other wild plants filled the air. It was a truly sensory experience! In preparation for the festive season, we have also started practising our Christmas nativity songs and the children are already singing beautifully. We can't wait to share our performance with you soon!



Mrs Bird (our class Governor) told us all about her holiday to South Africa!



Nesting Boxes

Over the next few weeks, the Eco-Team will be building nesting boxes to encourage wild birds in our forest school area. We would like to thank the TSF and its supporters for funding our new project. Today, Amelia and Jasmine made the first box for blue-tits and sparrows. We have three more boxes to build, including one for robins.



Yew Class Remembrance Assembly



Girls Football

On Monday the girls took part in a football tournament. They won 1 game, drew 2 and lost 1. Well done!

The new kit looks amazing!



This week Elm Class helped to create some art that will be used to decorate The Brewhouse Theatre during the upcoming production of The Nutcracker. Everyone had a very fun arty morning with Mrs Saunders.



This week Elm class also visited the church to learn about the parts of the building and do some observational drawing



Ash Class began their 'Journeys project' with a visit from a big red vintage double decker bus. Thank you to Peter and Jenny Snowden from Thames Valley & Great Western Omnibus Trust who kindly travelled to share a piece of real history with the children. We sang them 'The Wheels on the Bus' and went home with a little paper ticket from the ticket machine. Great fun! We all drew the bus for our Observation Drawing session



EYFS EAD Observational Drawing -
Aut 2- Vehicle - Journeys Topic



Willow Class were invited to Oakwood Church on Wednesday to experience their 'Life Exhibition'. All of the children spent the afternoon taking part in interactive activities led by volunteers from the local community. The activities helped the children to learn more about Jesus' life. The experience ended with a fun quiz and the Year 5's were able to demonstrate their fantastic knowledge from our recent R.E lessons.



Book Look – Wednesday 19th November

We would like to invite you in to school at the end of the day to enjoy looking at the work that your child has produced this year. Please pop along to your child's classroom between 3.30pm and 5.00pm to share in their learning from across this term.



Road Closures

Please be aware that starting from Monday 10th November until Friday 21st November, there are resurfacing works along Trull Road/Honiton Road from Claremont Lane to Dipford Road junction.

The works will take place between 9.30am and 3.30pm with access available outside of these times. The works will start at the Queens College end so initially there will be no access down Wild Oak Lane either. As the works roll on, Wild Oak Lane will become accessible. We also expect the lanes will become quite congested during these times.

These timings are not ideal for school pick-up. However, please do not worry as we will keep hold of your children until you are able to arrive. Perhaps consider parking up and walking to school if you usually drive in.



Further information regarding this and the diversion routes can be found at:

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-travel-and-parking/roadworks-and-travel/>

Car Parking

A reminder please to be courteous when parking along Church Road and Wild Oak Lane. Please do not block gates or driveways and be respectful of our neighbours.

When parking in the car park, please be considerate of others and do not block cars, park outside spaces or use the disabled parking bays unless you have a blue badge.

Many thanks.

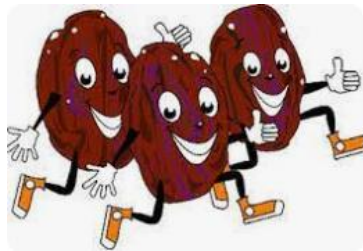
Autumn Term – Important Dates

November

Weds 19th Parent Book Look
Y6 Parent's Evening
Thurs 20th Y6 Parent's Evening
Weds 26th Choir to sing at Oak Meadows Care Home
Fri 28th TSF Christmas Fair

December

Thurs 4th EYFS Nativity @ 2.00pm
Tues 9th KS1 Nativity @ 2.00pm
Wed 10th KS1 Nativity @ 2.00pm
Thurs 11th KS1 Nativity @ 9.30am
Fri 12th Christmas Jumper Day
Sun 14th Choir at Cedar Concert Hall
Tues 16th Father Christmas visit
Christingle Service
Wed 17th KS2 Carol Service @ 9.30am (Y3&4)
KS2 Carol Service @ 2.00pm (Y5&6)
Thurs 18th Christmas Dinner
School Closes at 1.45pm



Thank you to everyone that worked hard over the half term doing chores to raise money, you all did an amazing job and raised a total of £298.82!

ATTENDANCE

The class with the best attendance this week is:

Beech Class!

LUNCHTIME AWARD

The classes who received the most lunchtime tokens for kindness, respect and good behaviour this week are:

Ash and Rowan Classes!



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 FORTNITE



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

With over 650 million registered users, Fortnite remains one of the most played and discussed online games globally. Known for its vibrant graphics, fast-paced gameplay, and cultural crossovers with everything from music artists to superhero franchises, the game continues to capture the attention of young people. This guide outlines the risks trusted adults need to know about, including game updates, and offers practical safety tips to help address them.

ALWAYS ONLINE

There's no single-player, offline mode in Fortnite; it can only be played online. Internet access can sometimes be an issue when you're out and about, both in terms of connectivity and using up data. You may find that dedicated, young Fortnite players are often less enthusiastic about family time or trips away – such as days out and holidays – than you might expect.

IN-GAME COSTS

Fortnite is free to download and play, but it does offer various additional purchases – limited-time cosmetic 'skins', music tracks, LEGO items, and battle passes. Children can feel pressured to spend money on V-Bucks – the in-game currency – to avoid missing out, particularly as exclusive items rotate frequently. Some items may not return to the store for years, while Battle Pass rewards are often "gone when they're gone".

VIRTUAL VIOLENCE

There's no avoiding that Fortnite is about shooting other players to eliminate them from the contest. That said, there's no blood or gore. The violence is rendered in a cartoonish style, and there are frequent comical touches to lighten the mood, such as mini-games and emotes. Guns and other weapons often look and behave realistically, so discretion is advised. Past seasons have introduced characters and references from mature franchises like The Witcher and Halo.

CROSSPLAY AND PARTY CHAT

Fortnite is popular with many gamers of various ages. Crossplay allows friends to play with each other, regardless of whether they're on an Xbox, PlayStation, Nintendo Switch or PC, while the Party Chat feature allows them to talk to each other during the game. This can put youngsters at risk of exposure to strangers, inappropriate language, and cyberbullying.

FREQUENT UPDATES

Seasonal releases introduce new map changes, gameplay mechanics, and cosmetics. Ongoing updates can increase screen time and potential for obsession as children try to unlock rewards before the season ends. These regular renewals help to hold players' interest, but also give young gamers plenty of reasons to keep coming back. Seasons often change thematically.

POP CULTURE REFERENCES

Part of Fortnite's appeal is its ongoing crossovers with other popular franchises, ranging from films and TV shows like Power Rangers and Avatar: The Last Airbender, to comic book characters including Batman. Other collaborations with series, artists, and influencers may expose children to music, language, or ideas that are more suitable for older audiences.

Advice for Parents & Educators

DISCUSS SAFE SOCIAL INTERACTION

Talk with children about who they're playing with online. Coordinate play time with the child's friends for socialisation and safety in numbers. Encourage them to avoid private voice chats with strangers and remind them not to share personal information. Use real-life examples to explain potential risks, and remind them that if they see something concerning, they should tell a trusted adult.

ENJOY FORTNITE TOGETHER

Fortnite also offers split-screen gameplay, meaning that two people can play simultaneously on the same console or computer. This can be a good option for siblings or for when a child's friends visit, but it also offers an opportunity for parents to do something fun with their child, while making sure they're playing the game safely. Who knows? You might even teach them a thing or two!

SET SPENDING LIMITS

Fortnite's rotating store is a not-so-subtle mechanism for coaxing players into buying sought-after items before they disappear for weeks or months. This could lead to surprise transactions on bank cards if children are tempted into an impulse purchase. Parents could consider getting a prepaid card for the child or ensuring that purchases require adult authorisation. This can be done through parental settings on a console or account settings in the Epic Games app on PC.

BE WARY OF SCAMS

The immense popularity of Fortnite with younger audiences – that are generally more trusting – means there's no shortage of scammers looking to fraudulently obtain passwords and other personal data through techniques like phishing. As the developers point out on many of Fortnite's loading screens, they never ask for a player's account password outside of the game. Make sure any young player knows this.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is an experienced freelance writer and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for seven years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



PLAYGROUND

Just a couple of reminders regarding the playground:

Please do not allow your child/ren to play on the equipment before school.

Please do not ride your bicycles, scooters etc across the playground.

And please leave the playground by 3.30pm to allow clubs and Late Club full use of the playground.

Thank you!

Mrs Davenport teaches French and Spanish on Mondays and Tuesdays.

If your child is interested in learning either language, please contact Mrs Davenport at: alysondavenport@hotmail.com



Craft comes to Trull...

What a wonderful opportunity to pick up unique gifts and decorations as Trull hosts not 1, but 2 fabulous craft events on **Saturday 15th November!**

Please attend both of these fantastic events in the heart of the village, support 2 great local causes and get a head start on your Christmas shopping!

Busy Bees Craft Group Craft Sale - The Hive Café, 10am - 12noon

There will be a variety of handcrafted items including seasonal gifts and decorations. Come along and find that something different. It will be lovely to see you.

All proceeds will support The Hive Café.

Christmas Craft Fayre - Trull Memorial Hall, 10am to 2pm

Free entry, refreshments available, lots of crafty ideas for Christmas presents. All welcome.

All proceeds to Trull Primary School.

Cash only sales.





**MULTI-SPORT
ACTIVITY CAMP**

Christmas party games
Christmas prizes to be won!

DODGEBALL

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
Monday 22nd December 2025
Tuesday 23rd December 2025
08:30 – 16:00

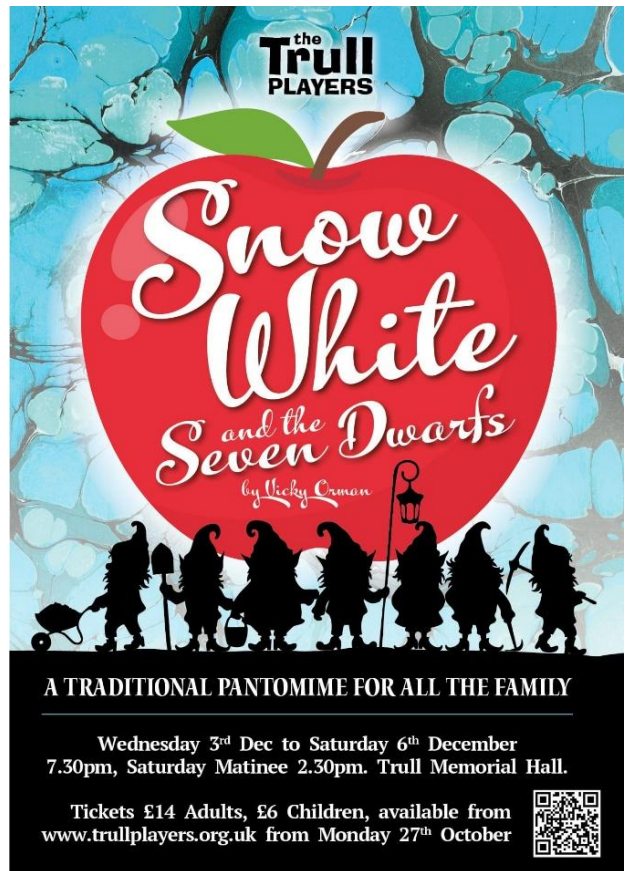
£25 per day
Trull C of EVA Primary School

Head Coach: Mrs. Mitchell
Assistant Coach: Mrs. Andrews

* max 30 children per day, minimum of 15 for club to run.

OPEN TO CURRENT
YEAR 3-YEAR 6
CHILDREN

Christmas Multi Sport Activity Camp dates out now! Book early as spaces are limited.




the Trull PLAYERS

**Snow White
and the Seven Dwarfs**
by Mickey Cronan

A TRADITIONAL PANTOMIME FOR ALL THE FAMILY

Wednesday 3rd Dec to Saturday 6th December
7.30pm, Saturday Matinee 2.30pm. Trull Memorial Hall.

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www.trullplayers.org.uk from Monday 27th October



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All profits go to the TSF
Donations of good quality, clean,
outgrown school uniform welcome.
Please drop donations to the school office.



TSF

CHRISTMAS FAIR

**VOLUNTEERS
WANTED**

IF YOU CAN SPARE US AN HOUR
CONTACT YOUR CLASS REPS ON
THE WHATSAPP GROUPS OR EMAIL
TSF@TRULLSCHOOL.CO.UK

NOVEMBER 28TH

3PM TO 5PM

Christmas Fair Donations

Thursday 23rd October
Non School Uniform

Please bring chocolate for our
Chocolate Tombola



Big or small we need them all



We want your
Christmas Clothes

All sizes including Adult



Between **Monday 17th -
Friday 28th November**



**Jolly Jars &
Teddies**

24th - 28th November



Non School Uniform Day
Friday 28th November

Bring a bottle for our



Bottle Tombola

Alcohol, soft drinks, shampoo and
body wash all accepted

Christmas Holiday Camps



We are proud to offer activities for **Happy Healthy Holidays Winter 2025**



Booking goes live at 10am on Monday 24th November



Happy Healthy Holiday funded spaces available for eligible children across all of our venues this winter



Venues
 Northgate, Bridgwater
 Woolavington Primary
 North Petherton Primary
 Stobery Park Primary, Wells
 BASC Ground Burnham on Sea
 St Benedict's, Midsomer Norton
 Creech St Michael Primary
 Orchard Grove Primary
 Wellesley Park Primary
 Castle Cary Primary

Inspired Schools
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Christmas Holiday Camps

Creech St Michael- 22nd, 23rd & 29th December

Orchard Grove Primary- 23rd, 29th & 30th December

Wellesley Park Primary- 22nd, 23rd & 29th December



£20 Per day

10% Whole week discount

15% Sibling discount



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Limited free places available for children on benefit related free school meals

Happy Healthy Holidays FREE Places

Bookable at 10am on Monday, 24th November

PREMIER HOLIDAY CLUBS

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- * Coxford St Luke Primary School, Taunton, TA9 1NH
- * Herne View Primary School, Ilminster, TA19 0BL
- * Primrose Lane Primary School, Yeovil, BA21 5PH
- * Holy Trinity CofE Primary School, Taunton, TA1 5AP**
- * Parkfield Primary School, Taunton, TA1 4ST**
- * Knights Templar CofE Community School, Watchet, TA23 0EX**
- * St James Church School, Taunton, TA1 1XU**

* Multi Activity camps available

* Running 22nd, 23rd, 29th, & 30th December

* Running 9am - 3:30pm

* 8:30am - 4pm extended option

**Ages 4, 8am - 4pm only

* £24.99 per child, per day

* £29.99 per child, per day

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* Available to children aged 4 - 11

* Book at www.premier-education.com/holiday-camps

* Contact drcrysal@premier-education.com for queries

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 Plenty of water
 Suitable clothing
 Loads of energy!

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Inventions

Movie Making

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Robots

DIY STEM

Snow Science

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AGES 5-11, 9 AM - 4 PM DAILY

www.nextthing.education

CHRISTMAS CAMPS 2025

What's on?

Different activity theme each day, please check website for your specific camps activities

Rocking Robots

Festive Filming

Magical MINECRAFT

3D Baubles

Tech Fun

Take Home NEW STEM Inventions & Science Creations!

29TH, 30TH, 31ST DEC & 2ND JAN **£39.99 PER DAY**

WHAT TO EXPECT:

This Christmas, leap into a world of wonder — build robots 🤖, bring Lego creations to life with animation 🎬, craft decorations with 3D pens ✍️, film festive masterpieces 🎥, embark on epic Minecraft quests, and experiment with their own Christmas bath bombs and magical snow! ❄️

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*Not applicable to 5-day offer

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Sonia Amin - Stanky Park School

★★★★★

"The activities sounded amazing and he loved them all!"

Isaac Harrison - Westlea Primary

★★★★★

"Our two children loved making the electronic contraptions"

Rachel Stone - Kings College School

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