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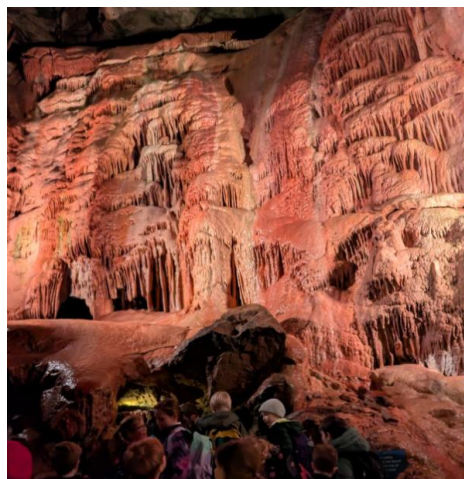
Oak Class News

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

Oak Class have been learning all about the Stone Age for the last few weeks in History. Our learning culminated in a trip to Cheddar Caves. We learnt about what life would have been like for the Neolithic people who lived in the caves thousands of years ago. Mig, our Stone Age guide, showed us how to flint napping which is how tools would have been made. She shared how people would have made their clothes from furs and we even got a chance to dress up! Fire was an important part of stone age life. We learnt how they would carry it from place to place using a special fungi and we were also treated to a demonstration of how it can be made!

We visited two different caves, the smaller Cox's Cave and also Gough's Cave. It was here we saw the skeleton of Cheddar Man, who was found buried in the cave. We went deep into the caves and saw some amazing sights, including stalagmites and stalactites and even Cheddar Cheese!

You can find out more about our brilliant trip and all that we learnt in our class assembly next week.



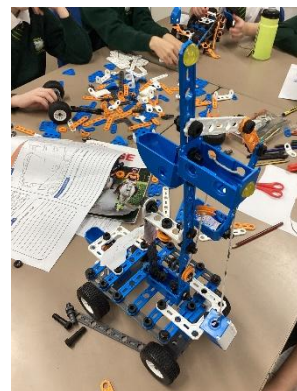
STEM WEEK 2026



This week has been STEM week! The theme this year is Curiosity: What's your question?



We started with a visit from the Space Dome in the Memorial Hall. A huge thank you to the TSF for making this amazing experience possible for every single child in the school. The children learnt about our Solar System and beyond! We are also very grateful to the Memorial Hall Committee for allowing us to use the space.



Throughout the week, all of our children have been challenged with creating structure using the same materials - paper straws and masking tape. Ash Class and Key Stage 1 have had to create as tall a tower as they can, and Key Stage 2 have been creating bridges. The teamwork and problem-solving skills that all of our classes have displayed has been amazing.



We were pleased to be able to enjoy EDF Hinkley Point's workshops with Year 5, Engineering Challenges, and Year 4, Electricity on Monday as part of our STEM Week. The children impressed our visitors with their curiosity, engagement and excellent behaviour. Next week Year 6 will be visiting Hinkley Point C to enjoy a workshop and a bus tour of the site.

Also this week, the whole school has taken part in a National Poster Competition to celebrate curiosity and questioning. We will be judging the results and submitting our entries on Monday.



Year 4 asked the question: How do birds build nests? Then using pegs as beaks, they worked together to build a nest to hold 'eggs', withstand wind and rain.

STEM WEEK 2026

Micro:bit coding sessions:

You might be wondering what a Micro:bit is... they are pocket-sized programmable computers which have a LED display (lights), sensors, buttons and Bluetooth.

During sessions led by Mrs Bowler, the KS2 children have been able to explore how to build code to create a variety of simple projects. All of the children soon became experts with their coding and created projects ranging from Tamagotchi style 'pets', to flashing emojis and teleporting ducks!



Our Netball Team did really well on Monday and had great fun. They won all their games. Well done!



On Tuesday, members of the Singing Club took part in the 'Big Sing' at Kings College. Along with 3 other schools, the children not only learnt 4 new songs but had to sing them in Latin.

At the end of the day, accompanied by King's College Senior Jazz Combo, parents were entertained to pieces from Don Gillthorpe's, 'Jazz Missa Brevis'.

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.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

SUPPORTING SAFE USE OF AI

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is increasingly woven into young people's digital lives. It can offer some educational benefits and day-to-day assistance; however, it also raises concerns about misinformation, privacy, fairness, and safety. This guide provides parents and educators with practical strategies to support young people to navigate AI tools responsibly, and to use them safely and with discernment.

1 DEMYSTIFY WHAT AI REALLY IS

Children encounter AI in most online places, including games, streaming platforms, and school tools. Explain that AI uses patterns from past data to make decisions, but it doesn't think or feel like humans. Use age-appropriate examples, like how recommendations on YouTube or Netflix work, to build understanding and prevent false beliefs about AI being all-knowing or alive.

2 TALK ABOUT RISKS OF MISINFORMATION

AI can create convincing false information, including deepfake videos, photos, and fake 'facts'. Encourage children to think critically about what they see and read. Teach them to double-check information using reliable sources, to look at images and videos carefully, and to ask an adult if something doesn't seem right.

3 DISCUSS DATA AND PRIVACY

Explain that AI systems learn by analysing lots of data, sometimes including personal information. Help young people to be mindful of what they share online and why protecting personal data matters. Model good habits like reading app permissions together or reviewing what's collected by voice assistants like Alexa or Siri.

4 ENCOURAGE CREATIVE USE OF AI

Support children, when using AI tools, to explore ideas, make art, or build projects. This fosters confidence, imagination, and independent thinking. When children use AI creatively, rather than just passively consuming it, they are more likely to stay engaged and make thoughtful choices.

5 USE AGE-APPROPRIATE AI TOOLS

Not all AI platforms are suitable for children. Choose tools designed for education or creativity, with clear safety policies. Review terms of use and privacy settings, and help children use them in age-appropriate ways. For example, some chatbot tools mimic conversation but should only be used with guidance and boundaries in place.

6 USE AI TOGETHER

Exploring AI tools together can help adults understand how they work and spot potential issues. Try co-writing a story with an AI writing assistant or experimenting with an AI art tool. This encourages curiosity, helps you stay informed about the latest AI tools, and allows you to reinforce safe and respectful use while modelling critical thinking.

7 SET BOUNDARIES FOR AI USE

Establish when, where, and how AI tools can be used, just as you would with any digital technology. For example, you might agree not to use AI tools to complete school assignments without permission, or to avoid unsupervised use of voice assistants. Consistent boundaries help manage overuse and misuse.

8 WATCH FOR OVERRELIANCE

Some AI tools, like homework help apps, may be tempting shortcuts. Encourage children to use AI to support their thinking, not replace it. Celebrate effort and process over perfect answers. Reinforce that mistakes are part of learning and that relying too heavily on AI can limit real understanding.

9 TEACH DIGITAL ETHICS AND LITERACY

Help children explore how AI works, where it might be biased, and why ethical thinking matters. Building digital literacy alongside ethical awareness ensures children engage with AI critically, not just conveniently. Help young people to understand that not all people use AI for legitimate purposes; some use it for malicious reasons. Encourage questions about fairness, representation, and who benefits from certain tools; talk about algorithms, echo chambers, and the impact of automation on daily life.

10 STAY CURIOUS AND INVOLVED

AI is developing rapidly, and staying informed helps you support the young people in your care. Follow trusted sources for updates and keep the conversation going. If a child brings up a new AI trend or tool, take the opportunity to learn about it together. Showing interest builds trust and strengthens digital resilience.

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#WakeUpWednesday

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Spring Term – Important Dates

March

Thurs 19th Yew Class trip to Hinkley Point
Friday 20th Oak Class Assembly
TSF Pre-Loved Uniform Sale 3.00pm
Thursday 26th Parent Workshop
Friday 27th Ash Class Assembly
Tues 31st Castle Community Concert rehearsal 9.10am

April

Wed 1st Castle Community Concert 6.30pm
Thurs 2nd Easter Hat Parade
Term Ends

LUNCHTIME AWARD

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

Elm, Maple and Willow!

ATTENDANCE

The class with the best attendance this week is:

Beech Class!



QUEEN'S
SATURDAY PROGRAMME
EXPERIENCE
QUEEN'S
10AM-12PM
£15 PER SESSION
FOR YEAR 5
SUMMER TERM SESSIONS

25 APRIL: DESIGN AND BUILD A THEME PARK
Pupils will manage a budget and make big entrepreneurial decisions in this fast-paced, creative enterprise challenge. They will work in small teams to create their theme park before pitching to 'dragons'. [Click here to book.](#)

16 MAY: DEBATING
An exciting opportunity for pupils to master the art of public speaking and structured debating. This will build confidence to express ideas clearly and persuasively. [Click here to book.](#)

13 JUNE: FASHION UPCYCLING
Bring 3 items of old or unwanted clothes to transform them into a unique bag that reflects individuality. From cutting, sewing and image transfer, this session will be highly creative and lots of fun! [Click here to book.](#)

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, TRULL ROAD, TAUNTON



Thank you to everyone who had a clear out and brought in their unwanted clothes.

The van took away 250kg of textiles and the TSF have raised £75.00!

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

EASTER CRAFT FAYRE
TRULL MEMORIAL HALL
SATURDAY 21ST MARCH
2026 09:00-13:00
RAFFLE, GIFTS FOR YOUNG AND OLD, SELECTION OF HOMEMADE CAKES, BISCUITS AND TREATS. Teas and coffee available.

 Tables for crafts available 

Contact Sue on 07484 776423
Look forward to seeing you



FREE

Confident Parents – Raising Confident Children Who Bounce Back

Topic: Resilience 

Does your child sometimes...

- * **Have big emotions and meltdowns?**
- * **Feel anxious or worried?**
- * **Have friendship fallout?**
- * **Give up when things are hard?**
- * **Have high expectations of themselves or others?**
- * **Find transitions difficult (new class, tests, social pressure)?**

Following feedback from the Trull Children’s Wellbeing Survey, we are pleased to welcome Young Somerset to deliver *Raising Confident Children*.

Join us for an evening exploring practical ways to support your child’s confidence, self-esteem and emotional wellbeing. Parents from other local schools are warmly welcome.

Thursday 26th March 2026

4:30-6:30pm

Trull Church of England VA Primary School

Church Road, Trull, Taunton, TA3 7JZ

01823 333329

To register interest please email office.mailbox@trullschool.co.uk

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.

A relaxed, informal evening — no expectations, just helpful ideas for parents.

MULTI-SPORT
ACTIVITY CAMP



Join us for an Easter egg hunt!



EASTER HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 7th April 2026
Wednesday 8th April 2026
08:30 – 16:00
£25 per day
Trull C of E VA Primary School
Head Coach: Mrs. Mitchell
Assistant Coach: Mrs. Andrews


OPEN TO CURRENT YEAR 3 - YEAR 6 CHILDREN

* max 30 children per day, minimum of 16 for club to run.



FREE online talk by
Jane Keyworth
FACE family Advice Lead Facilitator

Decreasing Depression
23rd April 7-8pm



Book online
www.facefamilyadvice.co.uk
Parents - Live Talks page

PLEASE BRING CASH

SUMMER & WINTER UNIFORM

TSF

PRELOVED UNIFORM SALE

FRIDAY 20 MARCH

3PM

SCHOOL PLAYGROUND OR LOWER YEW

All profits go to the TSF

Donation of good quality, clean, outgrown school uniform welcome. Please drop donations to the school office.

TRULL BRANDED ITEMS £2

NON-BRANDED ITEMS FROM 50P

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9AM-3PM

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Wellesley Park Primary-
Tuesday 7th - Friday 10th April

St John's Primary-
Monday 13th - Thursday 16th April

9.00am-3.00pm

Multisports Camps



£20 Per day

Whole week discount

10%

15% Sibling discount

07494175299

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Booking for paid places available here
<https://inspiredschools.ipalbookings.com>

FREE Happy Healthy Holiday spaces available from 10.00am on Monday 2nd March here
<https://www.sasp.co.uk/happy-healthy-holidays>




HAPPY HEALTHY HOLIDAYS... IS BACK FOR EASTER!

Exciting activity clubs for children aged 5 - 16, who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals across Somerset

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FOOD INCLUDED!

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TAUNTON HHH VENUES

- What is a HHH Club? A funded Happy Healthy Holidays (HHH) club includes physical activity, sports, dance, arts and crafts, well-being activities, AND A NUTRITIOUS LUNCH for your child
- Where is it held?
Cotford St Luke Primary School, Taunton, TA4 3KZ
Holy Trinity C of E Primary School, Taunton, TA1 3AF
Knights Templar Community Church School, Watchet, TA23 0EX
Parkfield Primary School, Taunton, TA1 4RT
St James Church School, Taunton, TA1 1XU
- When is it?
Tuesday 7th April - Thursday 16th April, 8.30am-3.30pm
Please check individual venues for exact running dates and time slots
- Who can attend? Children aged 4-11 who receive Free School Meals
- How do I book? Scan the QR code (above and below) and select your venue/dates
- When can I book? NOW! Please use the QR codes attached
- Do you need help with booking?
Contact us on...
dcrysel@premier-education.com or 01392 982809 or Facebook Messenger

PLEASE BRING
Plenty of water
Suitable clothing
Loads of energy!

Our HHH Clubs keep children active, safe, and entertained throughout the school holidays.

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Book now for a holiday full of excitement!

Book today
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