

Link to school website: <https://meareprimary.co.uk>

Dear Families

We have begun our new Summer Term with calm, can-do attitudes. There is a lot to reflect on from the end of last term, including: **the Y6s completing their Bikeability tests successfully!** We had a Police Officer in to deliver an assembly on 'stranger danger' and how to keep as safe as possible in the community (always useful); our Easter Service was as joyful as ever with some INCREDIBLE bonnets on display! Thank you families for joining us and for making them with your children. We were lucky to have the theatre come to us! The Jungle Book production was wild - the children loved singing and clapping along. Thank you M&M Productions...

We raised £68 for Comic Relief through our Joke-a-thon - thank you all for making us laugh that day.

Our wonderful Art Exhibition on 'Inspirational Women' and cake sale raised £108.65 for the Young Women's Trust. The exhibition is still up and we will open it again on Monday 19th May at 3.15pm for you all as we have had some late entries. There is lots to look forward to this term - please keep an eye on the diary and communication via letters / emails.

Best wishes,
Ms Isherwood

ATTENDANCE:

	Pips %	Seedlings %	Blossoms%	Blooms %
W/C 31/3/25	93.67	80.95	91.21	91.90
W/C 21/4/25	97.92	94.97	90.53	98.81

Today a seedling - tomorrow a flower

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IMPORTANT NOTICE:

If you are late (after 8.40am when the gates shut), you must bring your child to reception to sign them in for their safety. Please do not let your child come in by themselves after 8.40am.

Safeguarding

The safety and welfare of all children is everybody's responsibility. If you have any concerns regarding a child's welfare or safety please speak to any of these people immediately. To report a child or an adult at risk, including weekends and public holidays please call Somerset Direct on: 0300 123 2224. The NSPCC also has an advice line available on: 0800 800 5000. Please visit: www.cypsomersethealth.org, which is the Somerset Wellbeing Framework for useful links for the health and wellbeing of Somerset families and young people.



Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is [Ms Isherwood](#)



Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads

are [Mrs Taylor](#) and [Mrs Noel](#)



Our Safeguarding Governor is [Dr Gutteridge](#)

Concerns: parents' views are taken seriously at Meare. Almost all issues between parents and school are dealt with informally, simply by parents talking through their concerns with their class teacher or relevant school staff. Approach them and explain your concern to them. Suggest an action you would like to happen and we will be happy to work with you to find a solution.

If you feel things have not been adequately resolved, please read our Complaints Procedure <https://meareprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Complaints.pdf>



Top tips for online safety

- **Do not** share videos of other people without their consent.
- **Don't** meet up with strangers in unsafe circumstances - always tell someone where you are going.
- **Don't** give out sensitive information to people/ websites you don't know.
- **Don't** get involved in anything silly or dangerous; report it!
- **Don't** retaliate to comments, **report** anything that is unpleasant.
- **Don't** say something to someone online that you wouldn't say to their face.
- Be careful who you 'friend.' **Do not** 'friend' people you do not know.
- Be respectful online to everyone!

Keeping safe online.



Keeping safe online



Diary Dates



Thursday 1 May	Blossoms Forest School
Friday 2 May	Non-uniform day for King Arthur House
Tuesday 6 May	R and Y6 height and weight checks
Wednesday 7 May	Class and leavers' photos
Thursday 8 May	Seedlings Forest School
Friday 9 May	VE Day Celebration: tea & cake on the playground 2pm
w/c 12 May	SATs
Thursday 15 May	Pips Forest School
Monday 19 May - 7 July	Yrs 5 and 6 Swimming at Millfield
Thursday 22 May	Blooms visit to Rural Life Museum
Thursday 5 June	Blooms Forest School
Thursday 12 June	Seedlings visit to Rural Life Museum
Thursday 19 June	Blossoms Forest School
Friday 20 June	Whole school trip - Wells Theatre
Thursday 26th June	Sports' Day (time of day TBC)
Friday 27 June	INSET
Monday 29 June	INSET
Thursday 3 July	Seedlings Forest School
Thursday 10 July	Pips Forest School



Meare Village Primary School Somerset School Terms and Holidays 2025/2026 Academic Year



September 2025						October 2025						November 2025					
M	1	8	15	22	29	Mo	6	13	20	27	M	3	10	17	24		
Tu	2	9	16	23	30	Tu	7	14	21	28	Tu	4	11	18	25		
W	3	10	17	24		We	1	8	15	22	29	W	5	12	19	26	
Th	4	11	18	25		Th	2	9	16	23	30	Th	6	13	20	27	
F	5	12	19	26		Fr	3	10	17	24	31	Fr	7	14	21	28	
Sa	6	13	20	27		Sa	4	11	18	25		Sa	1	8	15	22	29
Su	7	14	21	28		Su	5	12	19	26		Su	2	9	16	23	30
December 2025						January 2026						February 2026					
M	1	8	15	22	29	M	5	12	19	26	M	2	9	16	23		
Tu	2	9	16	23	30	Tu	6	13	20	27	Tu	3	10	17	24		
W	3	10	17	24	31	W	7	14	21	28	W	4	11	18	25		
Th	4	11	18	25		Th	1	8	15	22	29	Th	5	12	19	26	
F	5	12	19	26		F	2	9	16	23	30	F	6	13	20	27	
Sa	6	13	20	27		Sa	3	10	17	24	31	Sa	7	14	21	28	
Su	7	14	21	28		Su	4	11	18	25		Su	1	8	15	22	
March 2026						April 2026						May 2026					
M	2	9	16	23	30	M	6	13	20	27	M	4	11	18	25		
Tu	3	10	17	24	31	Tu	7	14	21	28	Tu	5	12	19	26		
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June 2026						July 2026						August 2026					
M	1	8	15	22	29	M	6	13	20	27	M	3	10	17	24	31	
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Sa	6	13	20	27		Sa	4	11	18	25		Sa	1	8	15	22	29
Su	7	14	21	28		Su	5	12	19	26		Su	2	9	16	23	30

Key:

- School Holiday
- Bank Holiday
- Term Time
- Inset Days

Term dates summary:

- Term 1: 02 September – 24 October 2025 (39 days)
- Term 2: 03 November – 19 December 2025 (35 days)
- Term 3: 05 January – 13 February 2026 (30 days)
- Term 4: 23 February – 02 April 2026 (29 days)
- Term 5: 20 April – 22 May 2026 (24 days)
- Term 6: 01 June – 22 July 2026 (38 days) **TOTAL = 195**

Bank and public holidays 2025/26

Christmas Day	25 December 2025	Easter Monday	06 April 2026
Boxing Day	26 December 2025	May Day Bank Holiday	04 May 2026
New Year's Day	01 January 2026	Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2026
Good Friday	03 April 2026	Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2026

Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.

SEND News



SEND Somerset's Local Offer

Myth Busting Around Assessment and Diagnosis of ADHD and Autism with the Children and Young People's Neurodevelopmental Partnerships (CYPNP)

The CYPNP have produced some helpful information to support families with the Neurodevelopmental Pathway and help to eliminate any misconceptions.

This myth-busting page is co-produced with Somerset Schools, Somerset Educational Psychology Service, and CYPNP and aims to clarify these myths and offer suggestions for support: [Myths busting of assessment and diagnosis](#)



Please remember that your child's class teacher is the person to contact regarding your child and their needs.

If they are unable to help, or further support is needed, then the SENDCO can be requested to join a meeting with the class teacher.



Autism Central Hubs offer guidance to families, carers and personal assistants of autistic people. All of our sessions are run by Peer Educators. These are parents or carers of autistic people, who are happy to share their knowledge and experience with you. They offer group and one-to-one sessions to help you and other parents and carers find the information and services available in your area. Hubs may also run events such as workshops, drop-in sessions, coffee mornings or virtual meet-ups.

Autism Central is delivered in the South West by Bristol Autism Support in Somerset and other regions across England.

[South West delivered by Bristol Autism Support | Autism Central](#)

Mrs Hecks 25 years!



We are extremely fortunate at Meare to have a great team of incredibly dedicated staff.

We have recently had the honour of celebrating two of our wonderful staff:

Mrs Beverly Hecks has been at Meare since 2000, working primarily as a SEND Teaching Assistant. Mrs Hecks has seen many families come through the school, and has a wealth of local knowledge - thank you Mrs Hecks for your service!

Mrs Glenda Jones joined the school in 2005 initially in the finance department and then as the 'front-line officer' of the school, managing all that comes through the school doors every day! Thank you for your service Mrs Jones.

Mrs Jones 20 years!



SUMMER FAIR 2025

Dear Families

We love putting on Fairs at school, both at Christmas and in Summer. They raise a significant amount of money for projects that enhance the school and are always good fun on the day!

However, our staff do the majority of the work to get these planned, prepared and produced, on top of their commitment to teaching. It is getting increasingly challenging to continue to do this without a substantial parent support group. Without more parental support, unfortunately we may have to cancel, which would be a great shame. With more parental support there would be more flexibility around arrangements!

Please contact the school office ASAP if you think you can help! It would be very much appreciated.

Ms Isherwood

CAN YOU HELP OUR SCHOOL?

Do you like socialising?

Are you good at organising events?

Do you like working in a team?

We are looking to grow our team of Parent Helpers so that we can continue to raise money for the school for special projects!

There are many events that schools like ours put on that not only bring the community together and are super-fun, but raise vital funds for particular school improvement projects.

What events could you put on?

The list is endless!

*Bingo... Film nights... Discos... Fetes... Silent Auctions... Quiz Nights...
Board Game Nights... Bake Sales... Raffles... Concerts... Read-a-thons...
Walk-a-thons... Clothes swaps... Karaoke Night...*

Contact the School Office on 01458 860228 or office@meare.school to express your interest.

Our staff would very much appreciate your support!



Meare Village Primary School

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61551313980171>

NOTICE BOARD

MEARE SPRING COMMUNITY EVENT
Saturday 17th May
Meare Playing Field
3pm-MIDNIGHT

Live Music & performances throughout the day
Refreshments & Afternoon Tea 3-6pm
BBQ 7-9pm | Bar 3pm-Midnight
Stalls selling a variety of items

THE BACK RIVER RATS
ELECTIC COLLECTIVE | CAMILLA FLUTE
GEORGINA SWEET | BUMPY ROADS
GLASTONBURY DRAGON DRUMMERS
STARLITE | DANTE

Health & Wellbeing
1-2-1 Sessions
Bowen therapy
Massage | Meditation
Chair Pilates | Reflexology
Group Sessions/Workshops
Golfing | Fitness | Arts & Crafts
Dancing for the soul
Owl Handling | yoga

This project has been made possible with support and funding from the Somerset Association of Local Councils (SALC) via the Somerset Council Public Health programme to reduce Health Inequality in Somerset

face painting - football shoot out - sweet stall - training on the new outdoor gym kit - bouncy castle - ice cream - daily and meditation -

It all starts with... ALL STARS

All Stars Cricket is the best cricket experience for **5-8 year-olds**

All kids are guaranteed to develop **new skills** while having fun and making friends

Participants receive a **personalised backpack of goodies** including a bat, ball and t-shirt!

Sign up today at allstarscricket.co.uk

Plan C Training

*****New Classes*****

St Benedict's Junior School Glastonbury

*****Monday Evenings*****

Martial Arts & Self Defence for all the family

Yoji (3 to 9 years old) 5:15-6pm
Kohai (10 years and over) 6-7pm
Ladies Only Self Defence 7-8pm

Book your place by following this QR code and get your first **TWO WEEKS FREE**

There aren't any places at my preferred school, what can I do now?

I'VE MOVED INTO THE AREA AND NEED HELP FINDING A SCHOOL FOR MY CHILD.

CAN I APPLY FOR MORE THAN ONE SCHOOL, AND CAN I LODGE MORE THAN ONE APPEAL?

IS THERE ANYONE THAT CAN SUPPORT ME PREPARING FOR MY APPEAL?

CHOICE ADVICE

Somerset Choice Advice is a free and impartial service which supports families with advice and practical support through the school admission and appeals processes. This service exists to ensure that parents can play an active and informed role in securing a school place for their child.

Call us on **01823 356 903**

Fill in our online form www.somerset.gov.uk/choice-advice

Contact us via email choiceadvice@somerset.gov.uk or scan the QR code

Dynamic Cricket

This is our game.

Calling all 8-11 year olds!

Whether a graduate from All Stars or new to the sport, Dynamic Cricket is an exciting way for kids to play, learn cricket skills and make new friends. Participants receive a personalised New Balance shirt with their name and chosen number.

Sign up today!

dynamocricket.co.uk

JOY IN MOTION

Exercise that makes you happy

Silent disco fitness in nature | All welcome

Tues 12.30pm
Sat 11am Glastonbury

- Launches Tues 1st April
- 1st weeks by donation
- Booking by email essential: joyinmotionuk@gmail.com
- Side of Tor location - info on booking

Follow us on FB & IG: [@joyinmotionuk](https://www.instagram.com/joyinmotionuk)

Do you have odd jobs that need doing? Are you after a handy-person to fix something up? Have you got a garden that could do with some upkeep?



Please contact school on 01458860228 or office@meare.school if you have and we can direct you to someone looking. Thank you!



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This is in the playing field and any money raised will be used for another piece of equipment for the play area .

Currently £50 a month is raised from a few households so if everyone did it how amazing would that be?

NOTICE BOARD

Beech Catering KS2 meal prices increasing to £2.75 from June.

MHST
Mental Health Support Team

NEW ONLINE WEBINARS FOR SUMMER 2025

Wondering How to Support Your Child's Wellbeing?

ATTEND OUR FREE WEBINARS FOR PARENTS & CARERS

LED BY SOMERSET'S MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM

"I HAVE LEARNT A LOT THAT I DIDN'T EVEN CONSIDER I FOUND IT VERY HELPFUL"
PARENT

SCAN ME!

TO FIND OUT MORE & REGISTER

Webinar Booklet Summer 25

MEARE SPRING COMMUNITY EVENT

Refreshments & Afternoon Tea by the Meare & Westhay Ladies Group

SATURDAY 17th MAY 2025

3:00pm till 6:00pm

HOT DRINKS

SAVOURIES

CAKES

CREAM TEA – Scone, jam & cream with a hot drink

SAVORY TEA – Cheese scone, butter, chutney & cheese with a hot drink

AFTERNOON TEA – Sandwich, savoury, cake, scone, jam & cream with a hot drink

CHILDREN'S AFTERNOON TEA – Sandwich, Savoury, cake & a gingerbread man with a drink

CHOCOLATE MARSHMALLOWS – Marshmallow skewer dipped in melted chocolate

(Vegetarian & gluten free options available)

WATCH OUT for an EARLY BIRD OFFER if you book & pay for your AFTERNOON TEA upfront!

CASH ONLY ON THE DAY

EARLY BIRD OFFER – AFTERNOON TEA

Bookings **MUST** be made and paid for by **FRIDAY 9th MAY 2025**.
CASH preferable but bank transfer is also available.

AFTERNOON TEA (Also Vegetarian & Gluten free)	CHILDREN'S AFTERNOON TEA (Also Vegetarian & Gluten free)
Sandwich selection (4 x ½ rounds)	Sandwich selection (2 x ½ rounds)
Sausage Roll	Sausage Roll
Crisps	Crisps
Scone, butter, jam & cream	Novelty biscuit
Slice of cake	Cake
Hot drink	Fruit drink
£7.50 save £1.50	£4.50 save £1
EARLY BIRD PRICE	
£6	£3.50
FAMILY of 4 (2 adults & 2 children) £24 - EARLY BIRD PRICE £19 saving £5	

To book please email meareafternoontea@gmail.com

or

We will be at the following places if you would like to book in person:

Ladies Social – Thursday 17th April 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Village Breakfast – Sunday 20th April 9:00am – 11:00am

Village Pop up Post Office/ Coffee Morning – Friday 9th May

10am – 11:30am

Please note: Due to being made fresh to order we will be unable to offer refunds should you NOT turn up for your afternoon tea. We will donate any orders not collected to The Glastonbury Food Bank

After the event any email correspondence and the email account will be deleted.

Don't want to pre-book? There will be plenty of refreshments available on the day!

TUNING INTO KIDS

A FREE SIX SESSION PROGRAMME FOR PARENTS OF PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN

When?
22nd May, 29th May, 5th June, 12th June, 19th June, 26th June
10.30am - 11.30am
Between 6-9pm

Where?
Online

Would you like to be better at:

- Talking with your child
- Understanding your child
- Helping your child to manage their emotions
- Preventing behaviour problems in your child
- Teaching your child to deal with conflict

TUNING INTO KIDS equips you now to help your child develop emotional intelligence

To sign up:

QR code

Let's Celebrate!

Congratulations to
*Sam, Honor, Noah and
Elizabeth*
for their Certificate of
Excellence - *this is going
out to children who have
put in 100% effort in
handwriting and
presentation in their work
or for a significant
improvement in
something specific.*

25/04/35



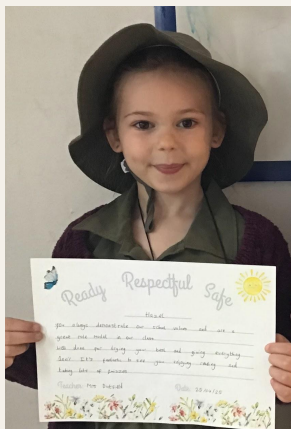
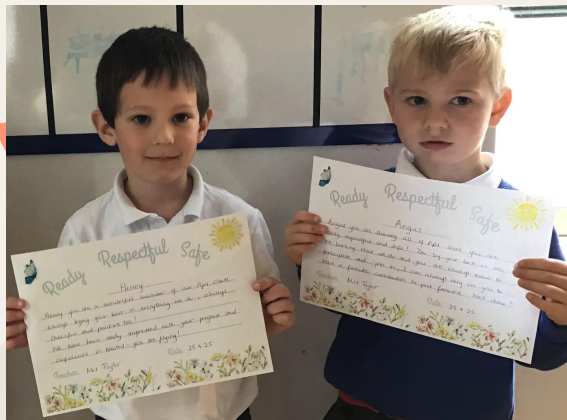
Let's Celebrate!

Congratulations to
**Alfie, Isaac, Henry and
Bailey**
for being our Play
Champions this week -
**this is going out to
children who have been
selected by our House
Captains for showing
kindness and being a good
friend on the playground.**

25/04/25



Let's Celebrate!



A huge congratulations to those of you who have been awarded a Ready, Respectful, Safe Award, maths or reader award these past two weeks. You're all cooking on gas, keep up the amazing work!



25/04/25

Blooms: Chase, Ethan, Henson and Bertha

Blossoms: Isaac, Amelia

Seedlings: Hazel

Pips: Henry and Angus

Little Starlings



After-school Club

3.15pm - 5pm £11.50

Jewellery Making, Lego, Puzzles, Sewing,
Face paint, Gardening, Board Games, Loom
Bands, Cross Stitch & More

Enquiries/Bookings

Tel: 01458 781595 WhatsApp: 07596 918927

Email: littlestarlingsmeare@outlook.com

www.littlestarlingsmeare.co.uk



Bookings Also Open for;

May Half Term; Tuesday 27th May - Friday 30th May 2025

Summer Holiday Club; July 24th 2025 – September 2025