

Date: 15 July 2025

News and Information

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

Link to Facebook: **Meare Village Primary School**

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

Dear Families

We have made it to the end of another very successful year!

I am incredibly pleased to announce that **our results have exceeded national standards!** Please see the separate page and celebrate in this news with us.

We had a hugely successful Summer Fair, raising a whopping **£1405.26!**

Thank you all for your support and generous donations on the day. We will be buying a slide! Previous year's expenditure from the fairs went towards the mural, the fish/fish tank and the decking.

Thank you to our parent helpers: Sarah Davis, Jade Geatches, Clare Whitcombe, Zoe Masterson, Charlotte Norris, Gemma McMillan, Stephanie Lansdown, Jamie Bousfield and Rebecca Jallow. It was very much appreciated.

Please also see a few photos from Sports' Day in a separate slide - it ran beautifully smoothly and the children ran and jumped their hearts out!

What's left?! We are still learning (of course!); we have the amazing KS2 production to go on Thursday (**Alice The Musical** is sounding spectacular); and we're gearing up for the Leavers' Assembly on the last day.

We have **early finishing time** of 1.30pm on Wednesday 23rd June. If you would like to collect your children for the Summer Holidays then, please let the office know.

It leaves me to say 'thank you' to you all for your support over the year, and I look forward to welcoming you back on 3rd September for a new year.

Very best wishes

Ms Isherwood

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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: 0808 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.

If you have a safeguarding concern, or need to contact the school's Safeguarding Team in the school holidays, please email safeguarding@meare.school

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>

This is a safeguarding opportunity reducing the chance of forming potential negative associations while out in the community. We appreciate that things are difficult these days and hope that the free sessions may also be of benefit to those whose financial priorities may not normally stretch to such activities. (Somerset Police).

SUMMER SKATE

AT LOST PROJECTS INDOOR SKATEPARK

Skate Scoot Socialise **FREE** Food Provided

13-17 Years
Thursday 31st July
Thursday 14th August
4pm-8pm

8-16 Years
Thursday 7th August
Thursday 21st August
11am-3pm

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 Unit 12, Wells Road Trading Estate,
Glastonbury, BA6 9QU
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lostprojects01@gmail.com

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Diary Dates



Thursday 17 July 1.30-3pm and 6-7.30pm	Blossoms and Blooms Summer Production
Wednesday 23 July 11am	Leavers' Assembly
	Children may be collected at 1.30pm please let the office know if you will be collecting at 1.30pm
Tuesday 2 September	INSET
Wednesday 3 September	Back to school
Wednesday 3-Friday 5 September	8.30am-12.30pm New Reception starters
Monday 8-Tuesday 9 8.30am-1.30pm	New Reception starters stay for lunch
Wednesday 10-Friday 12 8.30am-3.15pm	New Reception starters
Monday 15 September	Flu vaccinations
Wednesday 24 September 8.30-10am	PINs Coffee Morning
Tuesday 30 September	Individual school photos
Wednesday 22 October	Y6 to Wells Literacy Festival, Cedars Hall
Friday 24 October	INSET

RESULTS

There is so much to celebrate with Meare Village Primary School's published results for 2024-25! Well done to the children and staff who have made this happen!

YEAR 6 (END OF KS2 SATS)

77% of our Year 6 cohort achieved the expected standard in all subjects of reading, writing and maths *(compared to 62% nationally)*

In reading, **100%** of the cohort achieved expected standard, which is very rare and highly commendable! **92%** of the children achieved the standard in maths (again, brilliant) and **77%** achieved in writing!

EARLY YEARS: CHILDREN ACHIEVING A 'GOOD LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT'

84% of our EYFS cohort achieved this *(compared to last year's national average of 67.7%)*

This is such a fantastic achievement for our youngest children!

YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING

91% of our cohort passed the screening test *(compared to the National Average of 81%)* This shows that early reading in our school is very strong.

Sports Day!





Graduated Response Tool - Introduction

The purpose of this tool is to ensure every child and young person in a Somerset school received the support they are entitled to.

The local Offer webpage about the Graduated Response, provides some informative videos and information to help parents to understand the process and provision we use in school.

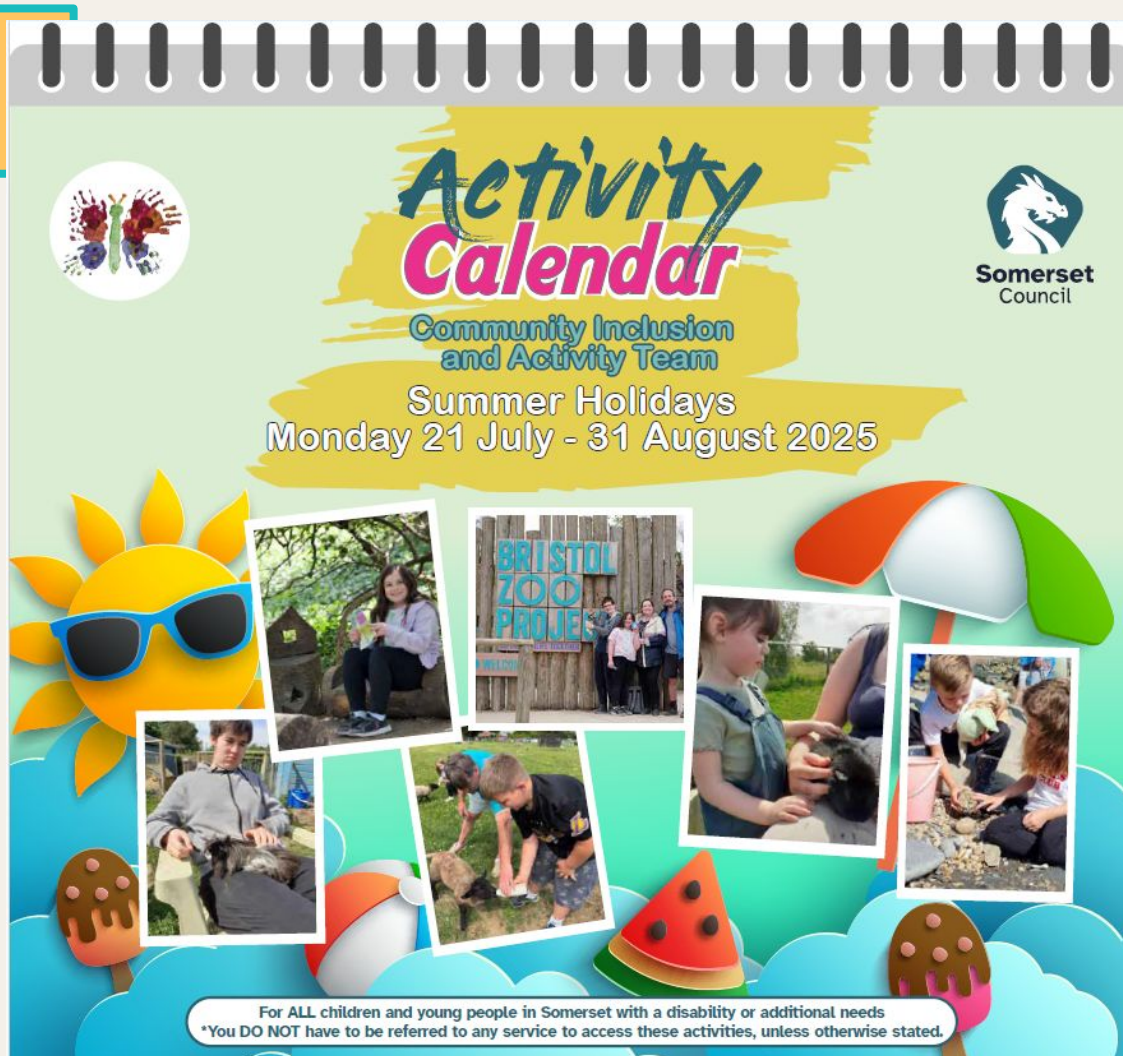
[Somerset's Graduated Response Tool](#)



SEND News

The Community Inclusion Activity team are going to deliver many inclusive activities during the summer holidays. This includes skiing, nature studies, tabletop games and days out including 2 family days to Crealy, a Tropiquaria trip & Time warp young person's day!

The calendar, and more information about the Community Inclusion Activity Team, can be found under the Local Offer at [Activities for families \(somerset.gov.uk\)](https://www.somerset.gov.uk/activities-for-families)



SUMMER FAIR - 2025





School Photos



Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

My name is Tessa Chapman and very soon I will be coming into the school to photograph the children for their individual portraits, in the summer I will attend for year 6 leavers and formal class photographs. The images will be available for you to view and purchase online with free delivery back to school. My price lists are attached. Digital images will only be for sale for individual portraits. Group and Class photographs are only available as physical prints for safeguarding reasons. These prints should not be duplicated or enlarged.

I am a professional portrait photographer with over a decade of experience and also a previous teacher of PE and SEN/D; I love combining the skills from both professions to deliver high quality but affordable school portraits. As well as introducing who I am, I wanted to detail a little bit about how I work and deliver the images to you so that you can feel confident in myself and my processes. I am fully insured, a member of the Information Commissioners Office and a professional member of both the Guild of Photographers and the Societies of Portrait and Wedding Photographers. I agree with the schools policies I will not be receiving any data, (including names) of your children. I am GDPR compliant and take data handling very seriously. If you would like to see some examples of my work and details of my privacy policy please head to my website: www.tessachapman.gotphoto.co.uk

I aim to offer schools a quick and efficient service which keeps disruption to pupils learning to a minimum, but also that acts as a worthwhile experience in itself- whilst recognising that all children are unique and cope with new situations in their own way. As such, I will take a flexible approach to their individual portraits, and do my best to work with your child to achieve a photo that they are proud to bring home to you. A day or two after their photos are taken, your child will bring home a slip with a QR code on it for you to scan with your smart phone, you can also enter the code on the slip via my website (all details on the slip provided) to view on larger screens and desktop computers. Your child's individual portraits are only viewable by yourself; the group and class images are viewable by everyone with a child in their year.

I look forwards to meeting your little people and creating some lovely images that I hope you will cherish for years to come! If you have any further questions about photo day please contact me via my website detailed above.

Best wishes

Tessa Chapman

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Price list (as of 14/07/2025)

Prints	Price
Prints with Mount 7"x5"	£8.50
Prints with Mount 8"x6"	£9.50
Prints with Mount 10"x8"	£10.50

Product Packages	Price
5 x 7 and 4 prints	£16.99
1 x Prints with Mount 7"x5" (All photos)	
1 x Set of 4 Prints 3.5"x2.5" on a 5x7" (All photos)	

8 x 6 and 6 x 4	£19.99
4 x Prints 8"x4" (All photos)	
1 x Prints with Mount 8"x6" (All photos)	

4 desk prints	£14.99
4 x Prints 8"x4" (All photos)	

5 Downloads	£99.99
5 x Photo Download original size (Individual photos)	

3 Downloads	£42.00
3 x Photo Download original size (Individual photos)	

Downloads	Price
Photo Download original size	£14.99

Gifts	Price
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Keyring Set of 2 keyrings	£12.99
Fridge Magnet Set of 2 magnets	£12.99
Fridge Magnet Set of 2 magnets	£12.00
Easi Magnet 6x4 East Magnet	£10.99
Snowbox 6"x4"	£20.99
Mini Paperweight 70mm x 45mm	£14.50
Black Glass Placemat	£15.99
Lunch Box Blue	£17.99
Gitterbox	£20.00
Heartbox	£20.00
Mini Snowflake with String 3.5x2.5 on a 7x5	£12.50
Placemats Cork Back Hardboard Placemat 19cm x 23cm	£16.99
Coasters Set of 4 Square Coasters	£24.99
Christmas Bauble Christmas Bauble	£16.99
Snow Dome	£18.99
Mug 80mm x 220mm	£16.99
Polyester Mousemat 10"x8"	£15.99
Polyester Mousemat 10"x8"	£15.49

PTA

We have been approached by Chilkwell Carnival Committee regarding a fundraiser for the school. If you are able to help please contact the school office:

"As someone who has previously helped, shown an interest in helping or are a prospective new helper I am contacting you on behalf of Glastonbury Chilkwell Carnival Committee to advise you that this year's Carnival takes place on Saturday 15th November 2025.

Each year we look for individuals & groups to help & this year is no exception. So we are looking for people to help collect money, go behind collecting trailers, man car parks, man accessible viewing as well as programme sellers.

If you can help or are interested in helping please let me know as well as if there is a particular role (s) you are interested in.

I will be in contact & will also provide updates as & when I get them.

If you have any questions or would like to check anything then let me know & I will do my best to help.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Donna

(Collections Officer - GCGFCC)"

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!



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THE READING AGENCY Summer Reading Challenge

Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The **Summer Reading Challenge**, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a FREE, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

Why Join?

- It's **FREE!** Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a **lifelong love of reading**
- Boosts **confidence, creativity, and imagination**
- Earn **rewards, certificates, and prizes**
- Fun for the whole **family**. Visit your **local library** together
- **95%** of children said they **read more** after joining!
- Children **choose their own books** to read over the summer, **collect rewards** for each milestone they reach, and **receive a certificate or medal** when they complete the challenge.



Visit your local library or go online at
summerreadingchallenge.org.uk
to get started from 5 July 2025.

Help your child start their reading adventure today!

NOTICE BOARD

"Get ready for a summer treat! 🌞👧"

We're excited to announce that our "Kids Eat Free" offer is back! 🍴👍 From July 21st to August 29th, bring your little ones to Bills Restaurant in Clarks Village and enjoy a delicious meal on us.

Mark your calendars and gather the gang - we can't wait to welcome you and serve up some tasty treats. 😊 Check out our menu and let us know you're coming!

When: July 21st - August 29th
Where: Bills Restaurant, Clarks Village
What: Kids Eat Free with paying adult

We have been kindly donated a pair of Clarks shoes. They are brand new and a size 4. If anyone would like these please contact the school office.



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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Contact the office to book your session

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3.15pm - 5pm £11.50

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Enquiries/Bookings

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Bookings Also Open for;

October half term: Friday 24th – Friday 31st October