



*"Sharing life in all its fullness." John 10:10*

*Values : The value we are focussing on this half term is Compassion*

Dear Parent/Carers,

Thank you for your support this week with the ongoing wet weather we are experiencing and with the school opening at 10am on Tuesday. It was appreciated and much needed as a number of school staff had journeys lasting one and a half hours or longer.

### Safer Internet Day 2026 - Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI

This week, our school explored this year's Safer Internet Day theme; 'Smart tech, safe choices - Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'. This focusses on teaching children and young people the skills to use AI technology safely and responsibly, and highlights available support. On the week of Safer Internet Day (10th February), each class will also do a session on internet safety focusing on the theme of AI.

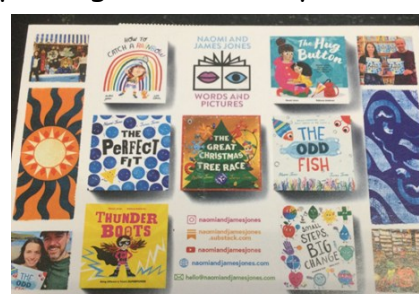
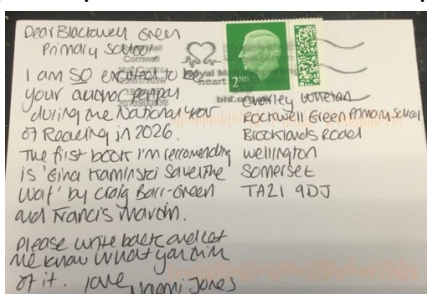
From voice assistants, to chatbots, to algorithms, AI technology is playing an increasingly large role in all our lives. It is important that we find time to discuss these tools and the impact they can have on our own and our families' online experiences.

Here are some helpful resources:

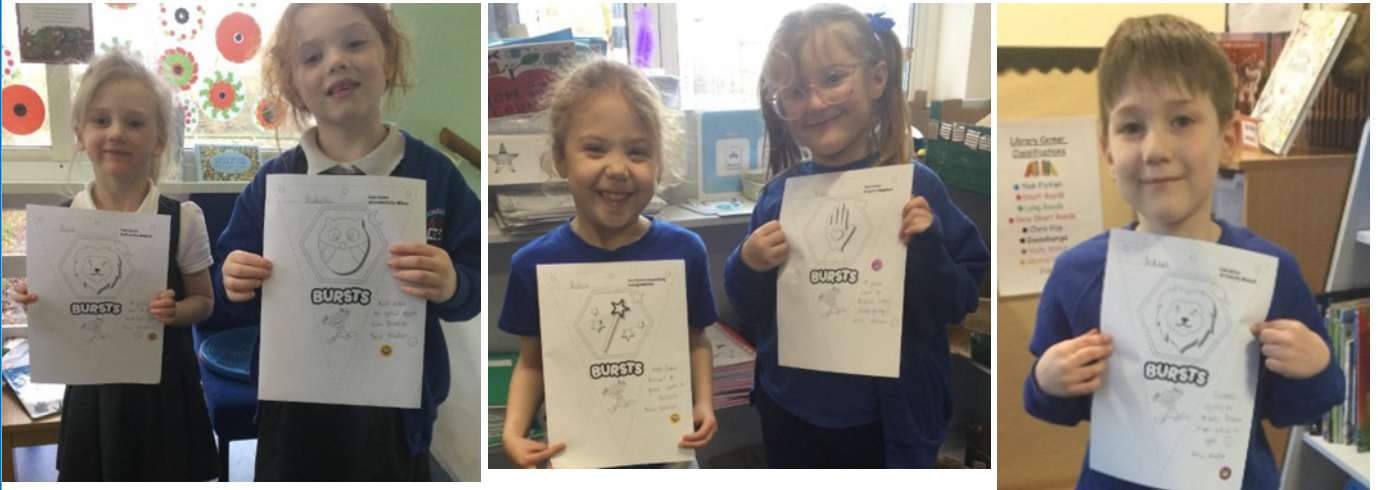
- <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026-quizzes>
- <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-parents-and-carers>
- <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-young-people>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons/articles/zcbhdnb>

### Rockwell Green's Author Pen Pals

To celebrate 'The National Year of Reading', each month we will receive a book recommendation, via postcard from an author. This week, author Naomi Jones has recommended: 'Gina Kaminski Saves the Wolf' by Craig Barr-Green. Keep an eye out for this book- appearing in the library soon! Miss Whelan



## BURSTS



Wow! What a week on BURSTS. All three classes have totalled 99 active minutes. Congratulations to Enid and Isabella in Badgers, Robin and Vinty in Hedgehogs and Joshua in Kingfishers- these children were the top contributors in their classes. Who will be on top next week?

Miss Whelan

## Parking and driving in the local area

Following on from the incident in Brooklands Road on Tuesday morning I just wanted to take the opportunity to remind everybody about the joint responsibility we hold to ensure the children are safe. Thankfully, the pupil on his bicycle was not seriously hurt but the situation could have been much worse. As we often do in school, I have reminded all the children of their responsibilities when walking, riding a scooter or bicycle to both school but also in the local area.

Can I please ask that parent/carers:

- Do not park on corners obstructing the view of others coming around the corner
- To walk if possible
- If you have to drive, as a number of our families need to due to the distance they live from the school, then park further away from the school entrance and walk the last distance

Due to the position of the school, the road network is very limited and therefore we all need to be very mindful. The safety of our children is the most important thing and therefore we need to ensure that all pedestrian pathways and crossings are clear so all pedestrians are safe. Thank you for your understanding and support.

## Attendance

Our school attendance for this week is 95.29 (above 96% is considered good attendance). Across the school we have had 165 of our 198 children have 100% attendance this week. Again, some of the children who were absent, were absent for just one day and I wonder with some determination if they could have managed the school day.

# What's On West Tone

## Coming up across the West Tone Benefice

Ashbrittle, Bathealton, Kittisford, Rockwell Green February  
Sampford Arundel, Stawley and Thorne St. Margaret 2026



**Shanty Singing** A fun and vibrant event for those who would like to enjoy singing in a safe setting. Seafaring stories and powerful songs to lift the mood.  
6pm 1<sup>st</sup> Feb All Saints Rockwell Green

### Family Friendly Services

10am 8<sup>th</sup> Feb in Bathealton Church  
All Age Communion with songs, stories and activities for children and adults  
4pm 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb All Saints Rockwell Green  
Family@4 is a fun, informal, crafts and musical service for young families  
Refreshments, toilets, and quiet areas available at both services, all welcome.



**The Pub Explorers** Explore big questions of life with others open to hearing different ideas and thoughts, all questions welcome at 6pm 8<sup>th</sup> Feb  
The Martlett Inn Langford Budville

**Prayer & Praise** A relaxed service with modern worship  
6pm 15<sup>th</sup> Feb Stawley Church

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### February 2026

|                                |   |   |
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| <b>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Feb</b>  | <b>The Presentation of Christ</b><br>10.00am Holy Communion Service<br>10.00am Holy Communion Service<br>10.30am Sung Eucharist Service<br>6.00pm <b>Shanty Singing For All</b>                               | St. Michael's, Stawley<br>Holy Cross, Sampford Arundel<br>All Saints, Rockwell Green<br>All Saints, Rockwell Green              |
| <b>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b>  | <b>Alpha Course</b><br>7.00pm Curious about the Christian faith? Join us for a free meal and a chance to ask questions. Sign up at <a href="mailto:welcome@westtone.org.uk">welcome@westtone.org.uk</a>       |   |
| <b>Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb</b>  | <b>Monthly Day of Prayer</b><br>8.00am Online, informal and relaxing. Join us at 8.00am or catch up later, all details at <a href="http://westtone.org.uk/prayer">westtone.org.uk/prayer</a>                  |   |
| <b>Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>  | <b>Benefice All Age Communion</b><br>10.00am Sung Eucharist Service<br>10.30am <b>The Pub Explorers</b>   | St. Bartholomew's, Bathealton<br>All Saints, Rockwell Green<br>The Martlett, Langford Budville                                  |
| <b>Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> | <b>Benefice Prayer &amp; Praise</b><br>10.00am Holy Communion Service<br>10.30am Sung Eucharist Service<br>11.15am BCP Matins Service<br>6.00pm <b>Benefice Prayer &amp; Praise</b>                           | St. Margaret's, Thorne St. Margaret<br>All Saints, Rockwell Green<br>St. John the Baptist, Ashbrittle<br>St. Michael's, Stawley |
| <b>Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> | <b>Ash Wednesday</b><br>Join us as we mark the start of Lent. A short service with ashing for those who would like it. More details at <a href="http://westtone.org.uk/services">westtone.org.uk/services</a> |   |
| <b>Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b> | <b>First Sunday of Lent</b><br>10.30am Sung Eucharist Service<br>4.00pm <b>Family@4</b><br>6.00pm Evensong Service<br>6.00pm Evensong Service   | All Saint's, Rockwell Green<br>All Saint's, Rockwell Green<br>St. Nicholas', Kittisford<br>Holy Cross, Sampford Arundel         |

More info at [www.westtone.org.uk](http://www.westtone.org.uk) Join us at our new services and events  
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## WEST TONE BENEFICE

A family of seven village churches where people encounter God and care for others

Ashbrittle, Bathealton, Kittisford, Rockwell Green, Sampford Arundel, Stawley and Thorne St. Margaret

### Shanty Singers

A fun and vibrant event for those who are looking to enjoy singing in safety with seafaring stories to lift the mood  
First Sunday of the month at 6pm  
All Saints Church, Rockwell Green



### All Age Communion

A service for children and adults with songs, stories and activities, including Holy Communion and refreshments  
Second Sunday of the month at 10am  
St. Bartholomew's Church, Bathealton



### The Pub Explorers

Explore big questions of life with others open to hearing different ideas and thoughts, all questions welcome  
Second Sunday of the month at 6pm  
The Martlett Inn, Langford Budville



### Prayer & Praise

A relaxed service with modern songs, informal prayer and a warm welcome  
Third Sunday of the month at 6pm  
Alternate months in Thorne St. Margaret and Stawley churches



### Family@4

A fun, informal, crafts and musical service for young families. Toilets, refreshments and quiet area available.  
Fourth Sunday of the month at 4pm  
All Saints Church, Rockwell Green



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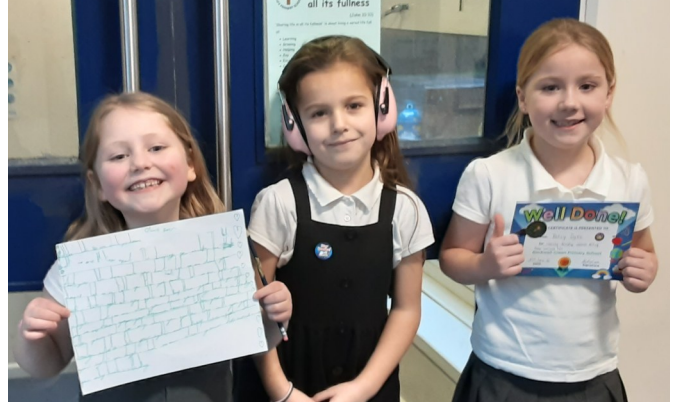
## Diary Dates 2026

| <b>Diary Dates</b>                                    | <b>Event</b>   |
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|   | <b>February 2026</b>   |
| Tuesday 10th  | Head Boy and Girl Tea Party at 2.40pm  |
| Friday 13th   | Final Celebration Assembly   |
|   | Last day before half term  |
| Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> to<br>Friday 20 <sup>st</sup> | Half Term - School Closed  |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>                               | School re-opens  |
|   | <b>March 2026</b>  |
| Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>                              | World Book Day   |
| Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>                             | Parents' Evening 3.30-7pm  |
| Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>                              | Parents' Evening 3.30-6pm  |
| Monday 30th   | Head Boy and Girl Tea Party at 2.40pm  |
| Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> &<br>Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> | Year 5 Bikeability (12 children)   |
|   | <b>April 2026</b>  |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup><br>April                    | Reception & KS1 Easter Service at All Saints Church at 9.15am<br>The school choir performing at the Come and Sing event at Wellington School |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April                        | KS2 Easter Service at All Saints Church at 9.15am  |
|   | Final Celebration Assembly   |
|   | Last day of term   |
| Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> to<br>Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>  | Easter Holiday - School Closed   |
| Monday 20th   | School re-opens to pupils  |

Hedgehogs: Ellie-May, Elly, Robin,



Kingfishers: Olivia, Sky, Betsy,



Otters: Divine, Darcie, Vienna,



Squirrels: Marnie, Nya, Dylan,



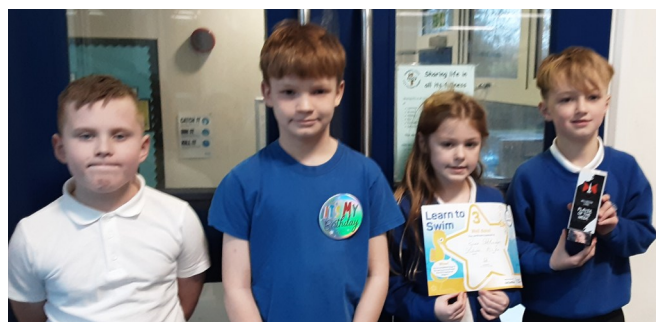
Tawny Owls: Jess, Riley, & Joel



Woodpeckers: Emilee, Eadie, Phoebe



External Achievement: A huge well done to Hardy, Ozzy, River & Greyson on their respective achievements this week.



Star Learners: Ava-Lily & Sky



House Points:  
Blackdown: 342  
Brendon: 307  
Mendip: 312  
Quantock: 307