



Mells Church First School

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Week Commencing – Monday 5th October 2026

Check out our website: www.mells.bwmat.org

Next Week's value – 'We are Respectful'

Please remember all lunches for week commencing 20th October need to be ordered on ARBOR by midnight on Sunday 4th October

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

Hot lunches - Week 2

Mon 5th

Breakfast club anytime from 8am - £2.75 per day
Snowdrop parents drawing club talk – 3.30pm
Evo Sports– until 4.30

Tues 6th

Breakfast club anytime from 8am - £2.75 per day
Snowdrops PE – Super Hero Sports with IG coaching
Evo Sports club – until 4.30

Wed 7th

Breakfast club anytime from 8am - £2.75 per day
School nurses in for flu vaccine – see Arbor correspondence
PCSO safety workshop with Snowdrops
Sunflowers PE/ Bluebells PE
Evo Sports club – until 4.30

Thurs 8th

Breakfast club anytime from 8am - £2.75 per day
Snowdrops PE
Evo Sports Club – until 4.30

Fri 9th

Breakfast club anytime from 8am - £2.75 per day
School Photographer in
Bluebells PE / Sunflowers PE



Class pages are viewable on our website –www.mells.bwmat.org/

Snowdrop Class <https://www.mells.bwmat.org/Snowdrop-Class/>

Sunflowers Class <https://www.mells.bwmat.org/Sunflower-Class/>

Bluebell Class <https://www.mells.bwmat.org/Bluebell-Class/>

ARBOR REMINDERS

All parents – please keep all Breakfast and Lunch accounts(KS2 only) in credit

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In the four weeks since I joined Mells, I have already had so many reasons to feel proud of our school, and this week provided another very special one.

On Thursday, we welcomed a colleague from the wider BWMAT team to Mells for a school improvement visit. It was a valuable opportunity to share our school, our children and the work taking place every day. As always, the children were fantastic. They spoke confidently and enthusiastically about their learning, were incredibly proud of their school and, most importantly, demonstrated the kindness, politeness and warmth that make them such a pleasure to work with every day.

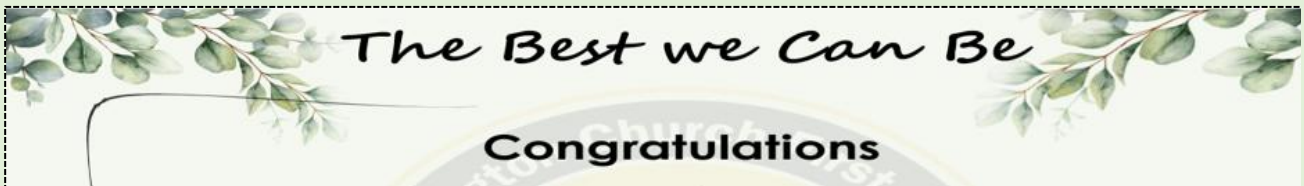
I was equally proud of our staff team. Their care for the children, their commitment to providing the very best opportunities for them and the way they work together were clear throughout the visit. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to step back and recognise just how much they give to our children each and every day.

I hope that, as parents, you share that sense of pride too. What makes Mells special is not simply what happens within the school gates. It is the community around our children, with families and school working together to help them thrive.

I would also like to remind you to please complete the survey about the after school provision so I can make an informed decision as we look to review our current offer; [Mells Church First School - After School Care – Fill in form](#). This will close on Monday 5th October at 5.30pm.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Rory McGrath



We are so proud of the children's achievements, kindness and efforts. This week for 'We are Thoughtful' value, our congratulations go to:

- Avers
- Augusta
- Evelyn

DOODLE MATHS

We have had an amazing start to the Doodle Maths challenges – and huge congratulations goes to Year 1, with the top Doodler being Dougie! Congratulations!!



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AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

All parents will need to register on the site before you are able to make any bookings on [this link](#). Please register in advance of using the club, as this will speed up any booking processes. Bookings do close 24 hours in advance; however last-minute bookings can be made by emailing Gino Evosports7@outlook.com.

COSMIC MONKEY – UNIFORM SUPPLIERS

We wanted to let you know that Cosmic Monkey (our uniform provider) is merging with John Moore Sports. This is very exciting for them as John Moore already provide uniform for most of the Bath schools and they have a sports shop which they will be opening in Frome as well as supplying our uniform.

Their new Frome shop is in the same location as Cosmic Monkey but in Unit C5 which is directly opposite. As a result, they have closed the Cosmic Monkey shop as of today and the new shop will be back open on Monday 19th October. Online orders can still be placed on the current website and will be fulfilled when the new shop opens on the 19th and we will provide an update on how future orders can be taken after this.



TTRockstars Battle of the Bands – family challenge!

We are going **Blue** this week in the family challenge! Well done to Blue house! Our top player this week was **Alex!** Awesome job!

Which house can win it next week?



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

Our school photographer will be coming in on Friday 9th October. If you have a younger child that you wish to have in a photograph with your school aged child, please come into the hall for 8.40am to have these completed. **Please can all children be in full uniform for the photo's. If your child has PE that day, please bring your PE kit to school to change.**

DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP OUTSIDE SCHOOL

To help ease congestion and improve safety for everyone, many families follow an informal one-way system during drop-off and collection times. We kindly ask parents and carers to drive from the top of the hill down the school hill whenever possible. This helps to reduce traffic build-up, minimise queues and make the area safer for our children, families and local residents. Can we ask parents to also ensure that parking is kept considerate and not blocking the road at any times. We appreciate your cooperation and consideration towards others during our busiest times of the day.

SCHOOL NURSES

As a reminder, the school nurses are coming in on 7th October for our flu vaccinations. Please ensure that you have completed the consent link previously sent whether you consent or decline. Please do let the school office know as well if you are declining the flu vaccination for your child.



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HARVEST FESTIVAL

As part of our Harvest Festival celebrations, we are inviting families to donate non-perishable food or toiletry items for **Fair Frome**. Donations can be left at the school office from now until the Harvest Festival. Every contribution, no matter how small, will help support local people in need. Thank you for helping us make a positive difference in our community.

PFA HARVEST FAYRE

Our Harvest Fayre is coming up, and we're looking forward to some lovely pre-half-term fun together!

As part of the fayre, we'll be holding our annual Mells Autumn Bake Off. We'd love for everyone to get involved and bring in an autumn-themed cake on Friday 23rd October.

Please make sure cakes are clearly labelled with your child's name and class, and that the relevant allergen information is included. We can't wait to see what everyone comes up with and, of course, who will be crowned this year's Head Baker!

We'll also be holding a Bottle Tombola! Anything in a bottle goes — think wine, ketchup, bubble bath, soy sauce, toiletries... whatever you like! Please bring your donations to the school office by Thursday 22nd October.

These events really do rely on everyone getting involved where they can, so please contribute in any way you're able to. Every little bit helps towards raising funds for our school! Thanks everyone, we can't wait to see you there!



Future Events

14 th October	Sunflowers outdoor learning
20 th October	Harvest Festival – 2.30pm at St Andrews – all welcome
23 rd October	2nd Open Day for prospective 2027 parents
23 rd October	Mells PFA Harvest Fayre – Bake off day!
Wc 26th October	HALF TERM
4 th November	Road Safety talks
13 th November	Children in Need mufti
10 th December	Christingle Service
14 th December	Christmas plays
15 th December	Christmas plays
16 th December	Christmas Dinner Day
18 th December	Last day of term
4th January	Inset Day
5 th January	School reopens

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