BISHOP'S WALTHAM JUNIOR SCHOOL Enjoy, Learn & Achieve Together

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Thursday 4th September 2025 Autumn Term 1 – Newsletter 1

At Bishop's Waltham Junior School, every child's health, safety, and well-being is our top priority. We expect all staff, governors and volunteers to share this commitment to safeguarding our pupils.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and that you all enjoyed a relaxing and enjoyable summer break.

Although pupils do not return to school until tomorrow, staff have already been busy this week with INSET training, including First Aid and Swim Safety sessions, ensuring we are fully prepared for the term ahead.



We're very much looking forward to welcoming all of our pupils back to school on Friday 5th September, especially our new Year 3 intake, and those pupils who are joining us from other schools. We're excited to have you as part of our school community.

After a productive INSET, the staff are ready and eager to greet the children for their first day. We know they'll arrive looking smart in their uniforms, full of energy and enthusiasm. The atmosphere around school is already buzzing with anticipation.

During tomorrow's assembly, we'll be sharing the **three school rules** that feature across the whole school:

- Be Ready
- Be Respectful
- Be Safe

We encourage you to talk to your children about their first day and ask them what these new rules mean in the context of their daily life at school.



Staffing Update

We are pleased to share some staffing updates as we begin the new academic year. A copy of the full staffing structure is attached at the end of this newsletter for your reference.

Over the summer holidays, Mrs Eves welcomed a beautiful baby girl, Emily. We send
our warmest congratulations to her and her family. Mrs Eves will be on maternity
leave for the duration of this academic year.



After 10 years of dedicated service as a lunchtime supervisor, and 4 years supporting
the PTA, Mrs M Taylor has decided to step down from her role at Bishop's Waltham
Junior School. We thank her sincerely for her commitment and care over the years, and
we wish her all the very best for the future.



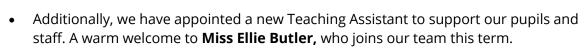
 We are delighted to welcome two new members to our lunchtime team:





Mrs Maranda Crabtree & Miss Mariia Vysochan

We look forward to the energy and enthusiasm they will bring to our school community.





 We're also delighted to share that Mrs Lucy Tarling is expecting her first child in January 2026. She will continue teaching Class 3M throughout the autumn term, and we wish her all the very best during this exciting time.



• Finally, we're pleased to announce that **Mrs Hannah Berrow** has been appointed to help support the coaching of our swim squad, working alongside Mrs Cooper.



School-Led Clubs

On **Friday 5th September** and **Monday 8th September**, pupils will have the opportunity to express their interest in attending our **school-led clubs**. We are very fortunate at Bishop's Waltham Junior School to offer a wide range of exciting opportunities for our students.

Please note that spaces are limited, and while we do our best to accommodate all preferences, we apologise in advance for any disappointment if your child is unable to secure a place in their chosen club.



We encourage parents to review the club options with their child ahead of these dates, so they are ready to make informed choices when they return to school.

For any privately-run clubs, **bookings must be made directly with the provider**. You can find all relevant links and further details on our school website under the Parents section, then select Clubs.

<u>School-led clubs will begin on Monday 15th September</u>. Parents will be informed if their child has secured a place.

Early Bird Club

All bookings for the Early Bird Club, whether one-off or block/repeat bookings, must be made using ARBOR. This club offers before-school supervision from 07:45 to 08:45, Monday to Friday, during term time.

Location: School Hall (accessible via the rear entrance)

Session Cost: £4.50 per child (siblings discounted to £2.80) – discount only applied if both siblings are

accessing the facility. Childcare vouchers are accepted.

Free School Meals Status: £2.20 per child

Please ensure that your payments are kept up to date, as failure to do so may restrict any future bookings.

After School Wraparound Care

Our after-school wraparound care is provided by Activeme 360. The 3:15 – 4:30 pm slot will be divided into two clubs—one physical and one non-physical. Children can choose which one they wish to attend or can remain in the wraparound room, participating in other well-being activities. All snacks will be served within this time block.



- Monday: Basketball/Netball or Arts & Crafts
- **Tuesday:** Team Games or Fun with Food
- Wednesday: 360 Sports or Science/Nature Club
- Thursday: Football Club or Construction Club
- Friday: Dodgeball Club or Board Games

Our flexible booking options mean that your child is able to attend for the first session only if you don't need wraparound care. This allows us to offer a wide range of after-school clubs for all children, as well as additional activities for those who need childcare for longer.

Location: Willow Class (Classroom door at the bottom of the swimming pool steps)

Timings:

After School Club: 3:15 – 4:30 pm

Full Wraparound Club: 3:15 - 6:00 pm

Booking:

To book regular sessions or ad hoc one-off sessions, please visit Activeme360 Bookings.

https://bookings.activeme360.co.uk/project/68110

Payment:

Payments can be made via credit/debit card, bank transfer, childcare vouchers, or tax-free childcare vouchers.











After School Club: £7.50

Full Wraparound Care: £15.60

Wraparound Care if attending a BWJS led club first: £8.85

Year Group Welcome Booklets

In the coming days, each parent will receive an email with a copy of their relevant Year Group Welcome Booklet. This booklet contains important information specific to your child's year group, including key details about routines, expectations, and upcoming events. Please make sure to read through it carefully so you are aware of the specific arrangements for your child's year.

School Lunches - New Catering Provider

As you may be aware, we are now working with a **brand new catering provider – ASPENS**, a trusted and experienced school catering company. Aspens currently serves hundreds of schools across the UK and is renowned for providing **tasty**, **nutritious**, **and diverse meal options** that children enjoy.



From **September**, the cost of a school lunch will be **£2.90 per day**.

Aspens' 'World Menu' offers a wide variety of meals inspired by global cuisines. To access and order meals, parents will need to use the **SwiftKitchen online ordering system**. The **SwiftKitchen app** is available to download from your app store.

Visit: https://app.swiftkitchen.co.uk

Once your account is set up, you will be prompted to enter your unique **SwiftKitchen Key** for Bishop's Waltham Junior School. Please email schooloffice@bwjunior.hants.sch.uk if you experience any difficulties – or if you have lost your 'key.'

Important:

- Hot lunches must be ordered before 8:30am on the day the meal is required.
- If a meal has not been ordered, pupils must bring a **packed lunch**.
- Meals can be ordered **in advance** using the SwiftKitchen app.

A copy of the food menu is included at the end of this newsletter and is also available on the **school website** under the **Parents > Lunches** section.

School Jotter App

We kindly ask all parents and carers to download and make use of the School Jotter App. School Jotter 3 provides direct links to the school website, our BWJS Facebook and Instagram pages, and the PTA (FoBS) Facebook page.



As the app is directly linked to the school website, you will receive notifications on your device each time the school uploads news, notices, letters, etc.

The app also offers:

- Access to the school calendar
- Display of the latest news, achievements, and notices
- A photo gallery
- Links to all private hirers (after-school clubs)

Each year group will upload a post every fortnight outlining what the children have been learning / accompanied with some photos 😉

For new Y3 parents, a unique code will be issued to you once we finalize this with the software company. These codes will be emailed to you as soon as they are available. Please email d.campbell@bwjunior.hants.sch.uk if you have any difficulties accessing the School Jotter APP.

Facebook & Instagram



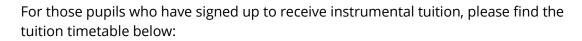
Want to stay connected with all the exciting happenings at Bishop's Waltham Junior School?

Look no further than our dedicated school Facebook and Instagram pages! These platforms are where we share daily glimpses into your child's learning journey, their achievements, and the vibrant life of our school. It's like having a front-row seat to the daily adventures and accomplishments of our pupils.

Follow us here:

Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/BWJuniorSchool</u>
 Instagram: www.instagram.com/bwjuniorschool/

Hampshire Music Service - Instrumental Lessons





- **Tuesday:** Brass (Mrs Carter)
- Wednesday: Keyboard (Mr Allen)
- **Friday:** Ukulele and Guitar (Mr Munday)

Ukulele and Guitar lessons will start this Friday, 5th September, Keyboard lessons will begin next week, 10th September and Brass lessons will begin on Tuesday, 16th September.

Teachers and pupils will be informed of their allocated tuition time slots so they are aware of when to make their way to the music room. For children playing Brass, Guitar, or Ukulele, please ensure they have their instruments with them on the designated days.

FOBS (Friends of Bishop's Waltham Junior School)



Friends of Bishop's Waltham Junior School (FOBS) is the Parent Teacher Association for our school. Its primary aim is to organise events to raise funds and purchase resources to support the children's education. You can choose to be either a full committee member or an event volunteer.

If you would like to become part of our friendly team, however infrequently, please message our team at fobs@bwjsapps.co.uk FOBS are always looking for new members . Details of upcoming meetings and events will be provided in the near future.

Join the BWJS School Lottery

Did you know there's a simple and fun way to help raise funds for Bishop's Waltham Junior School?

Our **School Lottery**, launched in **October 2020**, continues to be a fantastic way for families and friends to support the school. With around **120 tickets sold each week** by **70 regular supporters**, we're on track to raise approximately **£3,000** over the course of an academic year!

How It Works

- Choose 6 numbers between 0-9.
- If your numbers match the weekly draw, you win great prizes!
- Every week, one of our players wins a **cash prize** (currently around **£35**), and there's also a chance to win the **£25,000 jackpot**.

Tickets cost just £1 per week, and proceeds go directly to Bishop's Waltham Junior School.

Draw Details

- Draws take place every Saturday at 8pm.
- Winners are notified by email and winnings are paid directly into your chosen account.

How to Join

The easiest way to join is online via **direct debit or debit card**:

Search for **Bishop's Waltham Junior School** to get started.

It's quick, easy, and makes a real difference to our school community. Thank you for your continued support!

Dropping Pupils Off at School for Swim Squad/Early Bird Club

Please can I remind parents to park their cars on the **lower school playground** when dropping children off for Swim Squad or the Early Bird Club. Kindly refrain from using the staff car park to ensure that it remains clear for staff and to avoid any potential congestion.

Fast-Track Drop-Off Box

If you have any letters, forms, or other items that need to be handed in to the school office, please use the Fast-Track Drop-Off Box. This secure box is located on the wall adjacent to the office hatch. Envelopes are available for your use if needed.



Parking on Ridgemede Estate

School drop-off and collection times can be very busy with a lot of traffic on the roads and parents vying for parking spots. Please be mindful of your speed and be observant for school pupils walking or on their bikes.



Please also be considerate to our neighbours when parking, and avoid blocking driveways. Thank you for your cooperation.

Unofficial One-Way System

Please support both schools by following the unofficial ONE-WAY system when dropping off or collecting your children by car. As you drive down **Oak Road** towards the school, please turn LEFT onto **Pine Road** and follow the route around to the school's front entrance. Please DO NOT drive down **Oak Road** when leaving the school entrance, as this causes significant issues. Instead, turn LEFT and move towards the **Infant School**, following the road around to the right. This will then bring you out at the junction on Oak Road.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Final Thoughts

As we embark on this new term, I hope that all our children settle well into their new classrooms, routines, and the expectations of our school. I am incredibly proud to be the Headteacher of Bishop's Waltham Junior School and am looking forward to a positive and rewarding year ahead.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in making our school a wonderful place for our students to learn and grow.

Mr D Campbell Headteacher



DATES FOR THE DIARY 2025-26:



September				
Wed 3 rd	INSET day			
Thurs 4th	INSET day			
Fri 5th	1 st day of term 2025-26			
Mon 15 th	School Led Clubs to begin			
Thurs 18th	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Sat 20th	'			
Thurs 25 th	Bishop's Waltham Country Fayre			
*******	Swanmore College – Open Evening (5.30-8.30pm)			
Fri 26 th	Nasal Flu Vaccination (all pupils)			
Tue 30 th	Y3&4 Cross Country Comp – Swanmore College (3.30-5.00pm)			
Tue 30 th	FOBS AGM (Staffroom) – (7-9pm)			
October				
Wed 1 st	Community Film Night (Hall)			
Thurs 2 nd	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Mon 6th – Fri 10 th	Swanmore College – Viewing Mornings (9.00-10.15am) For current Y6 pupils: Please inform BWJS School Office if attending one of the sessions			
Tue 7 th	Y5&6 Cross Country Comp – Swanmore College (3.30-5.00pm)			
Wed 8 th	Y5 Educational Visit – Sea City Museum (9.00am-3pm)			
Thurs 9 th	Pupil Photos			
Tue 14 th	Parents Evening Meetings (3.30-6.30pm)			
Thurs 16 th	Parents Evening Meetings (3.30-6.30pm)			
Fri 17th	Dress Down Day – School Council Event (Just One Tree)			
Wed 22 nd	Pupil Photos (for those absent on 10 th Oct)			
Fri 24 th	Last day of ½ term			
November				
Mon 3 rd	1 st day of Autumn 2			
Wed 5 th	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Wed 5 th	Community Film Night (Hall) 7pm start			
Sat 8th	BWJS (FOBS) Community Fireworks Event (6-8pm Hoe Road Rec)			
Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th	Anti-Bullying Week			
Mon 10th	Odd Socks Day (Anti-Bullying Week)			
Tue 11 th	Year 4 Sharing Assembly - Art (Parents Welcome) – (2.45-3.15pm)			
Mon 17 th	Year 2 Open Morning (9-10.30am) School Hall			
Wed 19 th	Year 2 Open Afternoon (1.15-2.45pm)			
Mon 24 th	INSET day			
Thurs 27 th	FOBS Event – Wreath Making (School Hall 7-9pm) TBC			
Fri 28 th	BWJS Christmas Fayre (FOBS) – 3.15-5.30pm			
December				
Wed 3 rd	Community Film Night (Hall) 7pm start			
Fri 5 th	FOBS Event – Elfridges Shopping (during school day)			
Wed 10 th	Y4 Listen To Me Brass Concert (Hall – 2.30-3.10pm)			
Tue 16 th	Christmas Production – School Hall (7pm start)			
Wed 17 th	Christmas Production – School Hall (7pm start)			

Fri 19 th	Last day of term			
January				
Mon 5 th	1 st day of Spring Term 1			
Wed 7 th	Community Film Night (Hall) 7pm start			
Mon 12 th	School Led Clubs to begin			
Thurs 15 th	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Wed 21 st	Y6 SATS & Liddington Briefing for Parents (Hall) – (5.00-6.00pm)			
Thurs 22 nd	Young Voices Performance (O2)			
February				
Wed 4 th	Community Film Night (Hall) 7pm start			
Thurs 12 th	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Fri 13 th	Last day of ½ term			
Mon 23 rd	INSET day			
Tue 24 th	First day of Spring Term 2			
March				
Mon 2 nd – Fri 6 th	Year 6 Liddington Residential			
Wed 4 th	Community Film Night (Hall) 7pm start			
Thurs 5 th	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Mon 9 th – Fri 13 th	National Science Week			
Thurs 12 th	BWJS World Book Day Celebrations			
Tue 17 th	Parents Evening Meetings (3.30-6.30pm)			
Thurs 19 th	Parents Evening Meetings (3.30-6.30pm)			
Fri 20 th	Red Nose Day – School Council Event TBC			
Wed 25 th	Y4 Listen2Me Keyboard Concert (Hall 2.30-3.10pm)			
Thurs 26 th	World Maths Day			
Fri 27 th	Last day of term			
April				
Mon 13 th	1st day of Summer Term 1			
Thurs 16 th	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Mon 20 th	School Led Clubs to begin			
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May				
Mon 4 th	Bank Holiday (No School)			
Mon 11 th –Thurs	Year 6 SATS week			
14th				
Mon 18 th	BWJS District Athletics Trials (1.15-3.00pm)			
Wed 20 th	Y4 Stubbington Residential – Meeting for Parents (5-6pm School			
	Hall)			
Thurs 21st	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Fri 22 nd	Last day of ½ term			
June				
Mon 1 st	1st day of Summer Term 2			
Mon 1st – Fri 12th	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (2-week window)			
Mon 8 th	INSET day			
Tue 9 th	Class Group Photos			
Wed 10 th	Pyramid Athletics Competition (BWJS) – (9.15-11.45am)			
Mon 15 th – Wed	Y4 Stubbington Residential			
17 th				
Thurs 18 th	Aspens Themed Lunch			

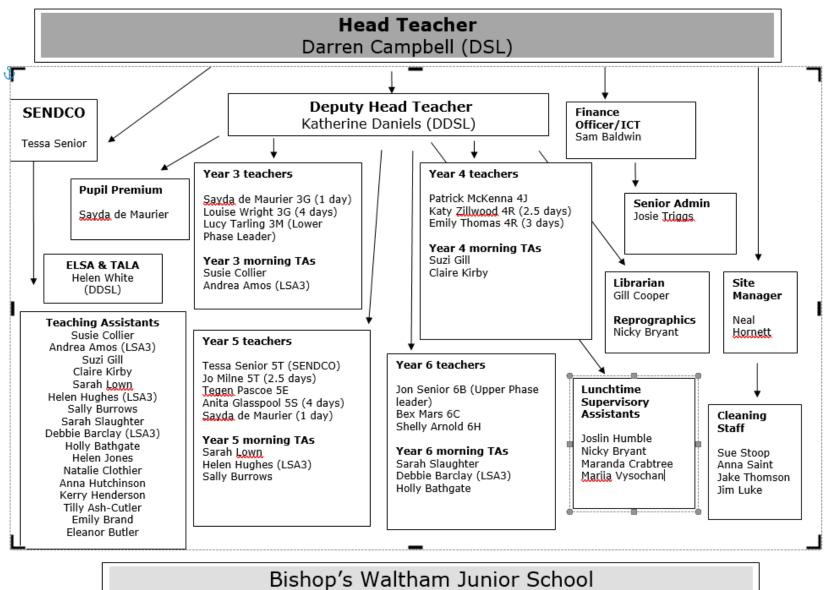
Wed 24 th	School Council Disco (Y3&4 = 3.30-4.30pm) (Y5&6 4.45-6pm)			
July				
Wed 1 st	Year 3 assembly to Y2 pupils (Y3 parents can attend) – (9.30-10.15am)			
Wed 1 st	Year 3 presentation to current Y2 parents (Hall – 6pm)			
Thurs 2 nd	Year 6 Transition Day at Swanmore College			
Thurs 2 nd	Transfer morning (pupils spend morning in new classes)			
Mon 6 th	Fun Sports (Y3&4 9.15-10.45am) (Y5&6 1.15-2.45pm)			
Tue 7 th	Y6 Summer Production (Dress Rehearsal – Y2&3) – 9.30am			
Thurs 9 th	Y6 Summer Production (Y4/5 & parents/volunteers) (1.45-3pm)			
Fri 10 th	End of year reports sent home to parents			
Mon 13 th	Year 6 Summer Production (7pm) Hall			
Tue 14 th	Year 6 Summer Production (7pm) Hall			
Thurs 16 th	Aspens Themed Lunch			
Mon 20 th	Whole School Well-Being Morning			
Tue 21st	Year 6 Leavers Event (4-6pm) School Field			
Wed 22 nd	Last day of term			

Autumn Term 2025 starts on Wednesday 3 September 2025 and ends on Friday 19 December 2025 (

Half term from Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October 2025)

Spring Term 2026 starts on Monday 5 January 2026 and ends on Friday 27 March 2026 (Half term from Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2026)

Summer Term 2026 starts on Monday 13 April 2026 and ends on Wednesday 22 July 2026 (Half term from Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2026)



Line Management Systems 2025-2026



LUNCHTIME



Week 1

Spring Summer 2025

21/04/25, 12/05/25, 02/06/25, 23/06/25, 14/07/25, 04/08/25, 25/08/25, 15/09/25, 06/10/25

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



All Day Breakfast

Mild Chilli Con Carne with Rice

Roast Pork, New Potatoes and Gravy

Greek Meatballs with Diced Potatoes

Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips



MEAT-FREE MAGIC Veggie Dish

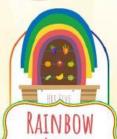
Cheesy Masala Pizza Naan and Wedges

Vegetable Bean Chilli with Rice

Vegetable and Stuffing Loaf with New Potatoes

Falafels in Pita with Diced Potatoes

Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips



Vegetables and Salads

Baked Beans

Green Beans

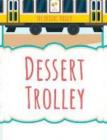
Carrots and Cabbage

Vegetable Medley

Peas



Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo



Toffee Biscuit Bars

> Classic Trifle

Bananas & Custard

Strawberry and Pineapple Jelly

Coconut Crisp Bar





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Week 2

Spring Summer 2025

28/04/25, 19/05/25, 09/06/25, 30/06/25, 21/07/25, 11/08/25, 01/09/25, 22/09/25, 13/10/25

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



Beef Bolognese Pasta

Chicken Korma Curry with Rice

Roast Gammon, Skin on Roasties and Gravy

Chinese Style Chicken Noodles

Battered Fish and Chips



MEAT-FREE Veggie Dish

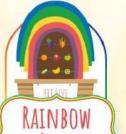
Veggie Bolognese Pasta

Vegetable Korma Curry with Rice

Maple Roasted Sweet Potato Filo Pie with Skin on Roasties

Veggie Chinese Style Noodles

Cheese & Onion Burger and Chips



Vegetables and Salads

Sweetcorn and Peas

Green Beans

Mixed Greens

Carrots and Green Beans

> Baked Beans



Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo

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Jam Sponge and Custard

Watermelon Wedge

Oaty Cornflake Crunch Bar

Apple Sponge Pudding

> Vanilla Cookie





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LUNCHTIME

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Week 3

Spring Summer 2025

05/05/25, 26/05/25, 16/06/25, 07/07/25, 28/07/25, 18/08/25, 08/09/25, 29/09/25, 20/10/25

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



MÄIN Event

BBQ Sweetcorn Pizza Slice with Wedges

Mild Chicken Tikka Biryani

Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy

Pineapple Chicken Rundown with Rice

> Golden Fish Fingers and Chips



MEAT-FREE MAGIC Veggie Dish

Macaroni Cheese

Veggie Bean Fajita with Rice

Cheese and Potato Pie with Skin on Roasties & Gravy

Sweet Potato Coconut Bean Stew with Rice

Vegetable Fingers and Chips



Vegetables and Salads

Green Salad

Green Beans

Carrots and Peas

Sweetcorn

Baked Beans



Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo



Strawberry Frozen Yoghurt

Coconut Cookies

Peach & Pineapple Jelly

Toffee Apple Crumble and Custard

Brookie (Brownie & Cookie Mix)





Homemade

Tomato Sauce &

Cheese

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Club Timetable AUTUMN Term 2025

	Before School	Lunchtime	After School	After School (3rd Party Provider)
	(School Staff)	(School Staff)	(School Staff)	(Flease book directly with provider)
Mon			Y3/4/5/6 Gardening Club (3.15- 4.30pm) (Max 20) Mrs White and Miss Ash-Cutler Maple Classroom (3M) and school grounds	Activeme360 Wrap Around Club (3.15-6.00pm) Basketball/Netball or Arts & Crafts The DANCE Box (Street Dance) (3:15-4.30pm) School Hall (All year groups)
Tue	Year 3&4 Swim Squad Mrs Cooper & Mrs Recow. Arrive at 7.45am. By invitation only	Xr. 4/5/ 6 Sketch <u>Club_(</u> Max 20) Mr. McKenna Jackalberry, Class	Y5&6 Young Voices Club (3.15 - 4.15pm) (Max 40) - Y6 Priority Mcs Glasspool, Miss Pascoe Eucalyptus Class	Activeme380 Wrap Around Club (3.15-6.00pm) Team Games or Fun with Food CM Sports: Football (3:30 - 4:30pm) School Field (All year groups)
Wed	Year 5&6 Swim Squad Mrs. Cooper & Mrs. Berrow Arrive at 7.45am. By invitation only	Year 3/4/5/6 Chess Club (Max 28) Mrs Wright Gingko Class Year 3/4/5/6 Craft Club (Max 25) Mrs De Maurier, Mrs. Thomas Redwood Class	Y3/4/5/6 Choir & Drama Club (3.15 - 4.15pm) (Max 100) Mr. Senior, Mrs. Arnold & Miss Pascoe Hall	Activeme380 Wrap Around Club (3.15-8.00pm) 360 Sports Club or Science & Nature Club
Thurs		Y5&6 Homework Club Mrs Daniels Maths, arithmetic only Willow Class By invitation only		Activeme 360 Wrap Around Club (3.15-8.00pm) Football Club or Construction Club KIDZ Crew: Strength & Fitness Circuits: Hall All year groups (3:15-4.15pm) Contact Belinda Butler 07889 419681
Fri	Y3/4/5/6 Cross Country Club (7.45 - 8.35 <u>am) (</u> Max 70) Mc Campbell School Field			Activeme360 Wrap Around Club (3.15-8.00pm) Dodgeball Club or Board Games