



# Yatton Federated Schools Newsletter

19<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely to see so many of you in and around school this term, as volunteers in the school day, at curriculum information meetings, as well as at the Parents Association AGM.

You will see from the School Associations report in this newsletter how much money you raised by helping and supporting the fund-raising events run last year. That is such a tremendous achievement and the money passed to the school makes a real difference to our children.

Please support the School Association by helping in whatever way that you can. We have the Fireworks Night at the Rugby Club on **Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November**. This event needs lots of volunteers to make it a success. Thank you.



## Staff Changes

There will be a change of staffing in Term 2 due to a secondment opportunity for Emma Hardy - she is to become Head of School in a school in Somerset up until the beginning of Term 5.

As a result, Mrs Sarah Howard (Infants) and Mrs Helen Clarke (Juniors) will be taking up the SEN responsibilities in the schools and will work together on this every Friday.

Everything has been done to ensure an effective transition and I know they look forward to working with our families in this new role. Mrs Clarke's class will be taught by Mrs Tamsin Hockett on Fridays, starting after half-term and again, as Mrs Clarke is around on the Friday, we can ensure continuity for the children in this class.

We wish Mrs Hardy every success in her new challenging role.

## Thank you and good bye ....

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Paul Escott in a few weeks. Paul has been a great site manager for the past 9 years and more recently worked as a Lunchbreak Supervisor too. Paul has been a positive and hard-working member of the team and has a great relationship with the children and members of staff. He will be missed very much.

## Change of School Lunch Menu – Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November

There will be a bonfire night special on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November instead of the published menu. There will be jacket potato with a choice of chilli (beef or Quorn) or baked beans and cheese with coleslaw and a salad. The dessert will be caramelised apple crumble and custard.

## Parental Survey 2017

Please follow the link [here](#) to complete a parental survey online between now and the end of November.

The survey asks parents and carers what they think about the schools, whether their children are making good progress and are happy, and explore other important indicators of how the federation is serving its pupils and parents. Please complete a questionnaire if you can – we really value your opinions.

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Website: [www.yattonschoools.co.uk](http://www.yattonschoools.co.uk)

Twitter: @YattonSchools

## Jim Gump

Children and staff were inspired by a visit and talk from Jim Plunkett-Cole (aka Jim Gump) - a runner who is in the middle of a mission to run every day for 7 years without a rest. Whilst running was Jim's focus, he talked to the children about the benefits of daily physical exercise, and he fascinated the children with the tales of his experiences whilst out running. Following the talk, Jim took the children out for a run around the playground and signed the children's homemade race numbers. Jim's progress can be followed on his website [www.jimgump.com](http://www.jimgump.com).

## Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations are **on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November for Infant classes and Junior classes.** Online booking for appointments will open on **Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> November at 6pm.** A guide to online bookings will be sent out via Parentpay. Please make sure that you book an appointment as early as possible. The booking system will **close at midnight on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November.**

## Cross County Competition

Year 4 - all children completed the challenging 800m course. Out of over 100 children, 6 of our children come in the top 20. Girls - Olivia (Class 4) 2nd, Amelie (Class 6) 5th, Beth (Class 6) 11th, Bella (Class 6) 15th and Anais (Class 4) 20th. Boys - Charlie (Class 6) 10th.

The Year 5/6 course was 1200m and again all our children managed to successfully complete the course. Out of around 20 schools, the year 5 girls came second overall, with Isabel (Class 7) in 8th and Chloe (Class 8) in 9th. The boys were awarded gold medals with George B (Class 7) in 7th, Alfie (Class 7) in 10th and James H (Class 6) 11th.

Amazingly, both our year 6 teams won their competitions. Girls had Martha (Class 11) in 3rd. Boys had Michael (Class 10) 1st, Oliver (Class 10) in 3rd, Zeki (Class 12) in 6th and Feddie (Class 12) in 8th.

All year 5/6 mentioned will be invited to the next round of competition - details to follow!



## Yatton Youth Club

Thursdays 6pm-7.20pm (during term time)

Years 3-6 Sessions

Yatton Youth Club's junior night for school years 3-6, on a Thursday during term time 6-7.20pm. Here's what's on next term:



2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Hot dogs, craft & Sparklers
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Make individual Christmas puddings
16 <sup>th</sup> November	Wii Dance Comp & Autumn Creations
23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Spaghetti & Marshmallow Towers
30 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Card Making & paper chains
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Decorate a mug Christmas present
14 <sup>th</sup> December	CLOSED

Plus More.....

If you are interested please feel free to drop by or contact Niccy Hook on 07706 381744, 01934 835702 or [youthworker.yatton@outlook.com](mailto:youthworker.yatton@outlook.com)

You can find us at:

Yatton Youth Club, Rock Road (Opposite Fire Station) Yatton, BS49 4JE



Feel free to follow us on facebook <https://www.facebook.com/YattonYouthClub>

We raised an amazing  
★ **£560** ★  
profit at the recent  
YFSA Table Top Sale

Thanks for buying,  
baking &  
volunteering



## Courses available for parents in North Somerset

North Somerset Community Learning has several free or low-cost courses to help improve health, wellbeing, confidence and employability. These courses are available to parents who have few qualifications, or are in receipt of certain benefits. The list below gives of flavour of what is available. If you are interested, please contact Karen Powell, our Learning Mentor, in confidence.

*Basic IT*

*Prepare to pass the Driving Theory Test*

*Healthy Cookery Course*

*Improve your self confidence*

*Improve your English skills*

*Money Matters*

*Intermediate IT*

*Life Skills*

*Anger Management*

*Computer Skills for Life and Work*

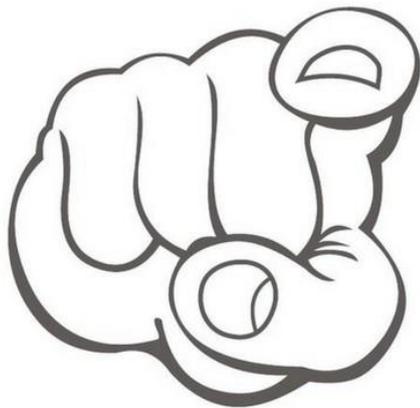
*Introduction to childcare*

*Finding work in cleaning*

*Introduction to Self-Employment*

*Introduction to hospitality in the workplace*

*Mindfulness*



**Federation of  
Yatton Schools**



*Together is better*

Could **you**  
be our new  
YFSA  
Chair?

Come and have a  
chat and apply by  
25 October

# Yatton Federated Schools Association News

**MUFTI:** The last day of term means MUFTI which is this Friday. Kids can wear what they want and we ask for a 50p donation to be given to your child's teacher.

**Fireworks Night - we need helping hands!** Our fundraiser at Yatton Rugby Club is back on Friday, 3rd November. The gates will open at 5:30pm and the display begins at 6:30pm. You know what's coming next...we need volunteers!

- Set up and dismantling of the marquees/equipment
- Buying supplies and transporting to the site
- Serving on the stalls (sweets, BBQ, hot drinks, glow toys etc)
- Litter picking the morning after
- Putting up posters, selling tickets, counting cash
- and more

If you or anyone you know can help out, contact Kristina Tarrant on [kristinatarrant@outlook.com](mailto:kristinatarrant@outlook.com). Parents, grandparents, older siblings, friends, neighbours – we'll take anyone! There is a public Facebook event for the Fireworks event - search for 'Yatton Fireworks Night' and please share. The more people there, the more money we raise. Tickets will be on sale at Clives (Yatton News) and Yatton Post Office the week commencing 23rd October and in the playground the week of the event.

**Could you be our next YFSA Chair?** Organised? Friendly? Able to delegate? You sound perfect to be our next YFSA Chairperson! Our current Chair is stepping down. In the last 12 months YFSA has raised £22,500 for both schools BUT without a Chair, **YFSA ceases to exist** - legally we cannot operate. So we urgently need people to put themselves forward to take this role - either individually or as a job share. The deadline is **Wednesday 25 October**. Please email [yfsageneral@gmail.com](mailto:yfsageneral@gmail.com) for more info and to apply.

**Family Craft Night:** On Friday 24 November YFSA are holding a new event and we're looking for crafty-type-people to run a small workshop/table of activities. The idea is that families will pay a small amount to make each craft and take it away. So far we've had volunteers for xmas cards, candles, floral arrangements and sand art but we're open to any ideas! So if you can help out as a volunteer or would like to run a table, get in touch via [yfsageneral@gmail.co.uk](mailto:yfsageneral@gmail.co.uk).

**Firework Ticket Design Competition Winners:** Miss Keeble said it was extremely difficult to pick winners as everyone created such wonderful pictures. Congratulations to:

**Oscar** (Class 4) who won the Year 1 category - your design will be featured on the single tickets and you will receive a single & a family ticket, as well as a certificate. The Highly Commended runners-up who will receive a certificate and mock-up of their tickets are **Tara** (Class 4) and **Lily** (Class 5).

**Lydia** (Class 9) who won the Year 2 category - your design will be featured on the family tickets and you will receive a single & a family ticket, as well as a certificate. The Highly Commended runners-up who will receive a certificate and mock-up of their tickets are **Sophie** (Class 9) and **Lily** (Class 9). All other entrants will receive a certificate and mock-up of their ticket in the next few weeks.

**Do you work for Lloyds Banking Group?** Or do you know someone who does? If you haven't used your D2MAD to volunteer then get in touch with Michelle Bolitho. We also need the lovely bakers to bake some goodies to keep the volunteers going.



**A Fantastic 5-Day Autumn Half Term Junior Tennis Camp**

Places are limited. First come, first serve basis. Please book early!

Book all 5 Days for £35.00 per child – 9am – 1pm

Book all 5 Days for £55 per child – 9am – 3pm

Dear Parents, I am delighted to announce North Somerset Tennis Academy will be running a 5-day Autumn Half Term Tennis Camp at St Nicholas Chantry Primary School, Clevedon, BS21 7LT.

So, get your child's tennis shoes on and join us on the tennis court!

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

9am – 1pm - £10 per day or £35 for all 5 days - Early drop offs available

9am – 3pm - £15 per day or £35 for all 5 days - Early drop offs available

The week will be action packed with team games, tennis drills, matches and even the 'Mini-Olympics'! Score points for your team, become champions in the Davis Cup tournament, and make great friends along the way. Activities are divided into age groups.

All players are welcome from 3 - 16 year olds

To book your child's place and for more information, please contact Stuart directly (details below – course form will be sent back)

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards,

Stuart Bannerman

stuart@n-somersettennis.com or 07593 456 869

# HALF TERM HOLIDAY ART & CRAFT CLASSES

in the Art Block, Clevedon School Valley Road,  
Clevedon BS21 6AH

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Creative Art and Craft classes for ages 5 to 14, running during the **October Half Term Holiday**. We will be drawing, painting, sticking, stitching and creating using materials such as wool, felt, fabric, paper and paint in a range of age-related activities.

Please bring a packed lunch/drinks/snack.

£20 per day 9.30am – 3pm

Contact [Trudie.hawkins7@Hotmail.com](mailto:Trudie.hawkins7@Hotmail.com)  
07849821576 for further details and to book places.

# TRANSFORMERS



Free After-School Club  
St Mary's Church, Yatton

1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month,  
Term Time 3.30pm - 4.45pm  
for ages 5 - 11yrs

Bible Stories Games Craft Prayer Refreshments

For full information contact Anne Cartwright  
01934 832169

Term 1: September 20th October 4th and 18th	Term 2: November 1st and 15th December 6th
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# Claverham Christmas Market

- Quality local gifts
- Kids activities
- Something for everyone

hosted by Clavertots



10am to 2pm

Saturday 11 November 2017  
Claverham Village Hall

In aid of



## Are you one of the many adults without an English qualification?

Do you want to improve your English skills and do not already hold a Level 2 or Grade C in English? Would you like to gain a nationally recognised qualification that is tailored to your current level?



Sign up for your **FREE** course today!

### Functional Skills English course

Wednesday mornings 9.30 to 12.30

From 10th January to 7th February 2018

At Yatton Library and Children's Centre

- Creche spaces available
- £30 Voucher on successful completion.

#### To book your place:

Telephone or text the Enrolment Team at Reform Training and Skills on

0777 533 5757

*Book early for creche spaces as a limited number will be available.*

[www.reformtrainingandskills.co.uk](http://www.reformtrainingandskills.co.uk)

Would you like to gain a nationally recognised qualification to improve your chances of getting and keeping a job?

Are you currently receiving JSA, ESA or Income Support?



Sign up for your **FREE** course today!

An **Employment Preparation course** is being held

Thursday mornings 9.30 to 12.30

From 9th November to 7th December 2017

At Clevedon Children's Centre, The Barn, Clevedon.

- Creche spaces available
- Free 7" tablet on successful completion.
- Personalised CV

#### To book:

Contact the Enrolment Team at Reform Training and Skills via text or call on 0777 533 5757

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### NORTH SOMERSET ATHLETIC CLUB AND ACADEMY COACHING/FUNDAYS COACHING BY CHRIS MILLARD, AND GUEST COACHES/AMBASSADORS

MONDAY OCTOBER 23RD 2017

TUESDAY OCTOBER 24TH 2017

CLEVEDON SCHOOL SPORTS CENTRE

10AM - 4PM

AGE 7-12

COST £15 PER DAY

ALL ABILITIES WELCOME, A GREAT TASTER OF OUR EXHILARATING SPORT!

THE USUAL MIX OF SPRINTS, HURDLES, HIGH JUMP, LONG JUMP, RELAYS, OBSTACLE RACES, ETC

THE BEST ATHLETICS DAYS IN THE AREA...

TO BOOK, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE EMAIL

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