



FRIDAY 22 MAY 2026

Happy half term!

We would like to wish you all a well deserved break. Come back ready for the busy final half term of this academic year. There are lots of things happening so keep an eye on your emails.

Mrs Frampton

Walk to School Week

Somerford achieved 967 journeys with a daily average score of 62.55%!

Well done, that is brilliant!

While our school wasn't selected as one of this year's prize winners, our participation and effort have made a real difference, and we are proud of what we achieved.

The winning BCP schools this year were St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, St Clements & St John's CE Infant School, Livingstone Academy and Highcliffe Secondary School who won a BMX stunt show or workshop. Congratulations to them for their fantastic results!

Thank you again for being part of the challenge and helping to build healthier habits, reduce congestion and support a greener environment.

Holiday food vouchers

As you know, we issue these to parents on behalf of BCP and they have told us there will be vouchers for this half term holiday period for all children in receipt of benefit related free school meals. Please note, if you have more than one child receiving a voucher, you need to check your mobile and your email.

Half term holiday

School will be closed for a week for half term from Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May. We look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 1st June.

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Attendance

Our expectation for attendance is 96% or above.

The school will not authorise leave in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Holidays are not considered exceptional circumstances and are likely to result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to each parent for each child. This is £80 per parent, per child.

Attendance over this half term

There's still some work to do in some year groups - a last half term challenge!!

Well done to Year 1 and Y2 for meeting national expectations!

Year group	Attendance	
Whole School	93%	Below
1	96%	In line
2	94%	Below
3	95%	Just Below
4	90%	Below
5	95%	Just below
6	93%	Below

Year 3 and Year 5 are so close - you can do it!!

84 children attended every day this half term! Well done!

Attendance Drop Ins

Tuesday 2nd June - 11.00-12.00

Tuesday 16th June - 11.00-12.00

Thursday 9th July 2.00-3.00

No need to book an appointment - just pop in or call. If we are already with a parent we will call you back.

Year 4 multiplication check

When we return, Y4 will sit their statutory multiplication test. They have to answer 20 random times table questions at speed online. It would be helpful for Y4 children to spend time on TTRS over the half term to keep their times table knowledge fresh and up to speed!

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Our Library Legends challenge is still running in all our libraries. This May half term, we're challenging as many families as possible to have a go at the Team Quest.

- Watch something together that's linked to a book
- Read together for a week
- Turn a book into game to play
- Visit a library together
- Read a book each
- Go on a knowledge quest to find out about something you love



Our Story Doors Trail is launching on May 25th. 24 local schools have each produced a Story Door based on a book they've loved. There's one in each library. How many can you find?



Click on this QR code to download your Story Door Trail map. (Available from May 25th)



SCARF workshops

After half term, each class will have a SCARF workshop focussing on mental health. Reception - Bouncing back, Year 1 - Emotional self regulation, Year 2- Gratitude, Year 3 - Acceptance, Year 4 - Protective factors, Year 5 - The brain and stress, Year 6 - aspirations and confidence building.

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