

Monday 2nd December 2024

- Fab footballers
- Importance of good attendance
- PFA Xmas Fair
- Xmas Jumper Day



Our half term Core Value is Community

First, a big congratulations to our **footballers**. The team displayed incredible determination during the recent tournament, showcasing their hard work and teamwork.

As we approach the end of term, I want to emphasise the **importance of good attendance**. Regular attendance is crucial for our pupils' academic success and social development. Our current attendance rate stands at **93.8%**. This is below the national figure and we want this to improve into the Spring Term. We appreciate your continued support in ensuring that your child attends school regularly. Please see the attached leaflet for more information.

Lastly, we're looking forward to **Christmas Jumper Day**. Please encourage your child to wear their most festive jumper and join in the fun while supporting a good cause, and please do support our **PFA Christmas Fair** this Friday afterschool.

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS		
Minutes late per day	Equivalent of missing	Lessons missed per year
5 mins	3.4 SCHOOL DAYS PER YEAR	17
15 mins	10.3 SCHOOL DAYS PER YEAR	51
25 mins	20.7 SCHOOL DAYS PER YEAR	104

Thank you for your ongoing support. I wish you a joyful week ahead! Mr Caswell

Upcoming Dates

Every Wednesday - Toddler Group at West Chinnock 2.00pm-3.00pm

Friday 6th December - Xmas Jumper Day

Friday 6th December - PFA Christmas Fair

Monday 16th December - Deadline for Snow Globe Comp

Tuesday 17th December - Christmas Church Service and Nativity(6.00pm-7.00pm)

Friday 20th December - Awards Assembly (9.00am)

Friday 20th December - PFA Children/Staff Lunch

Friday 20th December - 2.00pm Finish

Wraparound Care

Early Bird Club every day from 8.25am

Afterschool clubs until 4.15pm

Monday: Netball (Years R-6)

Tuesday: Dance (Years R-2)

Multi-Sports (Years 2-6)

Thursday: Board games & activities (Years R-6)

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This week I have had a request to signpost support for bereavement.

The death of a loved one is a huge life event. The feelings of loss, grief, uncertainty, and sadness can feel overwhelming whatever your age.



I am signposting you to two excellent websites:

[7 tips for helping children cope with grief | Barnardo's](#)

Barnados have listed 7 top tips to support

and

Child Bereavement UK have creative centre page with lovely activity ideas to help find ways to remember the person or pet that is gone.

[Child Bereavement UK's free activities for grieving children and young people](#)

Remember you can get in touch with requests for this support section via the school office:

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