



Nerrols' Newsletter

16th May 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I cannot believe we are moving into the final week of another half-term! Where did that time go? It reminds me to make sure that I enjoy every single day here at our brilliant School and Nursery, and as we edge towards the next break I wish you and your family an enjoyable time away from the hustle and bustle of school life. It has been lovely to welcome the warmer weather, and has allowed our children the chance to spend more time outside learning and playing. During the spells of warmer weather, I would like to stress the importance of making sure all parents and carers please apply sun cream to any areas not covered in clothing before the children come to school, that the children wear a sun hat and always bring with them a bottle so that they can drink plenty of water and refill it throughout the day in order to best keep them safe and healthy. Because the children like to run around at break and lunchtimes, we also ask that they do not bring sunglasses to school or nursery to avoid any accidents.

I would also like to say a big 'Well done' to all of the children in Oak Class for their focus and concentration and for doing their very best during SATs week. They have all worked incredibly hard and did themselves and us all very proud!

I would also like to say a big 'Thank you' to all colleagues who supported the children this week both directly and indirectly with the tests. Thank you to Mrs Rapsey for organising the timetables and rooms, and to all adults who supported the children with access arrangements.

I would also like to share our appreciation to Evie, our Catering Manager, who prepared a delicious breakfast on each of the mornings to help prepare the children!



Hazel Class visit to the Cricket

Earlier this week, Hazel Class were delighted to visit the County Cricket Ground right here in Taunton to watch the Metro Bank One Day Cup Match between Somerset Women and Hampshire Women. We learnt lots about the game and rules of cricket, celebrating lots of fours, sixes and runs being scored and even got to go onto the pitch during the lunch break and meet Stumpy the Wyvern! The children walked very sensibly along the canal path and back and represented our school brilliantly throughout the day! We extend our warm thanks to Somerset Cricket Club for this great (and free!) day out!



Nerrols Holiday Club is now live!

We are excited to be able to let you all know that we are now taking bookings for our first ever **Nerrols Holiday Club!** The Holiday Club will be running on Wednesday 28th, Thursday 29th and Friday 30th May and will be held at Nerrols Primary School between 9:00am and 3:00pm. The cost will be £25 per day, per child and will be overseen by Mr Templeton, with other members of school staff in support. Activities will include sports and games, as well as arts and crafts. Children will need to bring a water bottle, packed lunch and wear suitable clothing. Bookings are now live on MCAS and will close at 10:00am on Monday 19th May. The club will only be available to children who attend Nerrols Primary School, and you will be able to book into a single day, or multiple sessions. If you would like to pay by Tax-Free Childcare or Childcare Vouchers, please email the School Office with a screenshot confirming that the payment has been made to our account and we will be able to reserve a space for you. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office.



Playtimes at Nerrols – Blankets needed!

With the summer weather improving, we are exploring different areas that the children can use at lunchtimes. We are looking for some blankets which could be placed on the floor, in the shade, during dry weather to provide a quieter area for games and books which have already been kindly donated to our outdoor play! If you have any blankets that you think would be suitable and you no longer need, please do let Mrs Marriott know. It will be greatly appreciated!

Mental Health & Wellbeing Webinars for Parents and Carers

We're pleased to share that the Mental Health Support Team is offering a series of free online webinars designed to support and improve young people's mental health and wellbeing. These sessions are accessible to all parents and carers of children at Nerrols Primary School.

Topics include:

- Managing Big Emotions

- Coping with Change and Transition
- Surviving and Thriving Over the Summer
- Supporting Your Neurodiverse Child
- Neurodiversity and the Return to School

These webinars offer practical advice and strategies to help you support your child's emotional wellbeing at home and we encourage you to take advantage of these valuable resources! More information about how to sign up to these webinars can be found in this online brochure: [Online Flipbook](#)

Curriculum Update: PE and Sport – Sports Day!

As part of their learning in Physical Education (PE), the children have been busy practising for our upcoming Sports Day! This day will see the children participate in lots of different physical activities, including running, jumping and throwing. This year, we are planning to hold our **Early Years and Key Stage 1 Sports Day** on Wednesday 25th June and our **Key Stage 2 Sports Day** on Thursday 26th June. We're aiming to start both days at 9:30am, and we anticipate that they'll last around a couple of hours. We look forward to seeing as many parents, carers, family members and friends in attendance as possible!

On the note of PE, we politely remind parents and carers to make sure their child has their PE kit with them in school so that they can make the most of such opportunities. We also ask that any stud earrings are taped up before the children come to school on a day when they are doing PE in the interests of health and safety. If you need a further reminder about our uniform expectations, please see the Uniform page on our website: [School Uniform - Nerrols Primary School](#)

To keep up to date with the very latest in all things PE and Sport, give us a follow at @NerrolsPE!

End-of-Year Reports

Towards the end of the summer term, we will be providing parents and carers with an end-of-year Report, as usual. This statutory requirement helps parents and carers to understand more about their child's learning achievements and progress, including their strengths and any areas for development, their attendance record and the outcomes of any national curriculum assessments taken during the academic year by their child, such as the Phonics Screening Check, Multiplication Tables Check or end of key stage two tests (more commonly known as SATs). There will also be an informal opportunity for parents and carers to discuss their child's report with their class teacher after they have received it should they wish to.

Extra opportunities

If you are looking to get your child involved in more opportunities as a way of developing their sporting skills, broadening their experiences or just as a way of keeping them active and burning off their energy, we are pleased to be able to let you know about a few opportunities in our local area.

Junior Parkrun's 10-year anniversary 2km run at Longrun Meadow, Taunton (more information below)

Sunday 25th May 2025, 9:00am
[home](#) | [Longrun Meadow junior parkrun](#) | [Longrun Meadow junior parkrun](#)

FREE tennis taster sessions at Blackbrook Leisure Centre and Spa

Friday 6th June (5:00pm-6:00pm)
Sunday 8th June (10:00am-11:00am)
Tuesday 10th June (4:00pm-5:00pm)



To register your interest, please use the QR code or this website link:

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/TauntonTennisClub/EventsV2>

Free basketball sessions with Huish Tigers for children in Years 5 and 6 until the end of term

To book, please email lewisc@richuish.ac.uk or call directly on 07724992634

Before Nerrols opened, we were part of a collaboration of schools who invested £100 of our Sports Premium money to help support the setting up of a Junior Parkrun in Taunton. Since then:

- ✓ 423 Junior Parkrun events have taken place in Taunton
- ✓ 4002 different runners have taken part in the 2km run
- ✓ There have been 8248 personal bests as children improve their time week after week
- ✓ 99 school groups are known to have been involved

We are encouraging as many of our children, families and staff to be at Longrun Meadow on Sunday to take part! Our PE and Sport Leader Mr Templeton will be there running and cheering you all on!

Health and Safety Update

A reminder that parents and carers are responsible for the safety and supervision of their children in all situations before 8:45am and after 3:15pm (the times of our school day). The School takes no responsibility for an injuries, accidents or incidents with other children that happen before or after such times when the children are in the care of their parents and carers, including if they have allowed their children to use our play equipment or 3G Pitch. This applies to all children, including those who arrive at, or leave, school unsupervised, since such arrangements are decisions made by parents and carers and their permission has been granted. All children must be ready to enter the school when the bell rings at 8:45am.

After School Clubs – Summer Term 2

We are excited to be able to let you know about our After-School Clubs running after the half term break!



Day	After School Club (3:30pm-4:30pm)	Further Details
Wednesdays	Y3-6 Cricket Club (with Mr Templeton)	Book now on MCAS!
Thursdays	YR-2 Nerrols Multi-Sports (with Mr Templeton)	Book now on MCAS!
Fridays	Y3-6 Nerrols Archery (with Mr Templeton)	Book now on MCAS!

Office Update

We remind parents and carers to please ensure their children do not bring personal items, including money, into school. Such items can easily get broken or lost, as well as distraction, which can cause upset. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Our Office opening hours are from 8:15am-3:45pm.

Wraparound

Bookings are now open for before and after-school wraparound care, please book ahead to avoid disappointment! If you currently use tax free childcare or a childcare voucher provider to pay for wraparound, please collect a form from the office in the usual way, and the office team will add the bookings for you.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 20 th May	Year 3 visit to Hestercombe House and Gardens
Wednesday 21 st May	New Reception Parents' Evening
Friday 23 rd May	Last day of Summer 1
Monday 26 th May	End of May Bank Holiday – Nursery closed
Wednesday 28 th – Friday 30 th May	Nerrols Holiday Club (see above)
Monday 2 nd June	First day of Summer 2
Wednesday 25 th June	Blossom, Willow and Birch Sports Day (09:30-11:30, 3G Pitch)
Thursday 26 th June	Maple, Rowan, Hazel and Oak Sports Day (09:30-11:30, 3G Pitch)
Friday 11 th July	End of year Reports sent home to parents and carers
Wednesday 23 rd July	Last day of the school year

Have a great Bank Holiday weekend and I look forward to seeing you next week!



Matt Kerton
Headteacher