



# Shepton Beauchamp Church School News



Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

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## Head's Update...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! It has been wonderful seeing all children back to school and hearing about their Christmas holidays.

We have another busy half term ahead with exciting learning with Phoenix class learning about Monarchs and Gryphon class exploring rivers and mountains. In addition to this we will also be running our third Breakfast session with a focus on Art on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January as well as Christingle, Shepton Beauchamp Pantomime and Safer internet day.

We are incredibly fortunate to have such an amazing F.O.S.S and community who support our wonderful School. Thank you to F.O.S.S who have fully funded our Outdoor Learning sessions.

Next week, we will be sending out this term's Knowledge organisers and Curriculum newsletter.

Best wishes,  
Kirsy Luffman  
Head of School



## Outdoor Learning Sessions

We are very excited to be running 3 forest school sessions at Shepton Beauchamp Church School this term. We will be working with Pachamama's Forest School who will be leading our morning Forest school sessions in our outdoor environment.

These will be a Friday morning:

23<sup>rd</sup> January

6<sup>th</sup> February

27<sup>th</sup> February.

We will then continue to develop our forest school provision through the rest of the Spring and Summer term. Children can come into school wearing their outdoor learning clothes (Wellies/sensible outdoor shoes/coats) and also need to bring their school uniform to change into (especially if we are muddy and wet!)

## A big ask....

To update our forest school area, if you have any of the following that can be donated, it would be greatly appreciated:

log stumps (we really can't have too many of these!)  
planks (scaffolding, decking etc but not rotten or split. These do not have to be full length, we would use them to set up mud kitchen areas)  
tyres, bamboo canes  
guttering/pipes (any length/size)  
any old tarps/plastic sheets, pots, pans, kitchen utensils,  
any donations of firewood

**Our school  
attendance  
target is  
96%**

**We are at  
97.48%**

**Phoenix  
Class current  
attendance**

**99.42%  
+0.26%**

**Gryphon Class  
current  
attendance**

**96.74%  
+0.03%**



**Headteacher's Award**  
Violet Freddie Ruby  
**Friday's Child**  
Dylan Florence

**100% Attendance this week**  
**VIP Raffle Ticket**  
**Winners are...**

Mabel Archie Elli  
Dylan Martha D  
Amelia Stanley B  
Ruby Tilly Florence  
Immy Freddie Millie  
Stirling Josh  
Sebastian Austin  
Martha W Daisy

Head of school drop-in sessions every Thursday at 9am.

As I work between both schools, I am mindful that I am not always around for drop-in sessions. Please do contact the office if you would like to meet with me if I am not on site and I will get a meeting booked in as soon as possible.

**Friday Family Assemblies**

Come and join us every Friday at 2.45pm.

**Phoenix Class**

Phoenix class started the new year by sharing stories about their Christmas holidays, and they used these ideas to write their own recounts in English. In Science, we began our new materials topic, and the class had great fun exploring the classroom to find and identify different materials.

Reception are doing wonderfully in phonics and have begun reading short ditties. They've especially enjoyed practising partner reading, taking turns to read to one another and celebrate their progress.

What a brilliant first week of 2026 for Phoenix!

**Gryphon Class**

We've had a fantastic start to the new term! The children have settled back into school life brilliantly. In science, we've been exploring states of matter in a fun and active way by acting out solids, liquids, and gases with our bodies. In English, we've begun reading our new book, Black Dog, which is already sparking thoughtful discussions. Our geography topic this term is Misty Mountains, Windy Rivers, and we're excited to learn all about these fascinating physical features of our world

**Diary Dates**

Friday 23rd January - First Outdoor learning morning

Thursday 29th January - Christingle 2.30pm

Friday 30th January - Breakfast and Art 8.30-9.15am

Shepton Beauchamp Pantomime PM

Tuesday 10th February - Safer Internet Day

Friday 6th February - Outdoor Learning morning

Friday 13th February - Last day of term

Monday 23rd February - First day of term

Friday 27th February - Outdoor Learning morning

Parents Evening TBC

**The school calendar for 2025/26 can be found under the Parents Tab, listed as Term Dates. Go to: [www.sheptonbeauchamp.co.uk](http://www.sheptonbeauchamp.co.uk)**



# Breakfast and Art

COME AND JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST  
AND ART AT SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP  
CHURCH SCHOOL

Friday 30th  
January  
8:30-9:15

