

Tipton St John Bulletin

BELIEVING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE



Friday 22nd May 2026

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Dear Parents

Over this half term we have been looking at Bible heroes who inspire us and the Heart values they embody. We've looked at Noah, Joseph and David. It's great to look for inspiration from others to help us achieve our goals, and the children have certainly done that this term.

We have just come to the end of our Field Studies and Creative Arts week and it's been lovely to see the children engaging in so many different activities. We've had visits from dancers and musicians, and had some performances from children playing piano and guitar. A big thank you to Mrs Garrick for organising the week so well. It's been a lovely way to round off this half term.

A few other reminders.....

Our before and after school provision is now in full swing so do get in touch if you can make use of this for next half term.

As the weather warms up, we tend to get more and more lost property left on lower site, so please make sure items are clearly named (lunch boxes and jumpers are the most frequent ones!).

Attendance

Class	Attendance
R	90.91%
1	95.56%
2	97.33%
3	96.67%
4	95.38%
5	86.31%
6	87.69%
Whole School	92.89%

A reminder again too about school uniform as well—please make sure **shoes are black**, and no jewellery is worn apart from stud ear-rings and watches.

Have a great half term break! Remember we are back to school on Monday 8th June!

Pete Button, Head of School

Winning House This Week is: Tigers!

Dates to Remember :

Monday 8th June—Return to school after half term holidays

Sunday 21st June—Oak on Residential until Wednesday

Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th July am—Transitions into new classes for Sept 26

Friday 17th July—Sports Day 1.30pm

Wednesday 22nd July—Summer Fair 1.15pm

Heart Values Awards



Oak: — Kobi - Achievement , Reflection, Hope—Kobi has demonstrated a consistent and mature approach both socially and academically. He is a man of few words but leads by example. Gets on with his work with minimum of fuss and socially has high standards - being a great role model to all around him

Willow: — Robyn - Achievement - For showing incredible enthusiasm during creative arts week and also producing an stunning painting.

Maple: — Hector— For having a positive attitude and great engagement to his learning during Arts Week

Hazel— Magnus - Hope and Achievement - For sharing a love of creativity this week and displaying his imaginative skills through dance, art and music.



We are happy to speak to any person at any time with regard to the safety of children. If you have any concerns please contact:

Designated Safeguarding Lead for Otter Valley Federation:
Amanda Fulford, Executive Headteacher

Safeguarding Governor: Mark Humphries

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Pete Button, Head of School

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Richard Hatswell,
Teacher

Alternatively you can contact MASH on 0345 155 1071

Creative Arts Week and Field Studies Day

Here are a few photos of the day to give you a flavour of what we did—we didn't let the rain dampen our spirits! A huge thank you to all families who brought in gardens—they look amazing. Do collect your for the half term holidays so they can bring some colour at home as well!



Houses and House Points

We have a House System at Tipton. There are four houses: Lions (Yellow), Tigers (Red), Leopards (Green) and Panthers (Blue). House points are earned for good work, effort, good behaviour and demonstrating our values in school.

There are Y6 House captains for each house who will be counting up the house points earned each week by children in each class. These will give us a winning house who will be presented with the trophy on a Friday afternoon. We will be giving rewards for the most house points over the weeks and half terms—extra playtime and treats.

The children have been working hard to earn housepoints this week and have enjoyed the challenge!

Winners this week wereTIGERS!

Leopards



222 House points

Lions



228 house points

Panthers



217 house points

Tigers



237 house points

House Captains:

Harrison and Annabelle—Leopards

Reuben and Jessica—Lions

Kobi and Rosie—Tigers

Ted and Ammara—Panthers

Breakfast and After School Club

Do make contact if you would like to make use of it for your children.



We provide **WRAPAROUND CARE** at your school

Our term time Breakfast and After School Clubs include breakfast or a snack alongside a variety of engaging activities including arts & crafts, board games, card games, sports, outside breaks, puzzles, and much more.

Run by experienced teachers!

Check dates and times online:

www.kidsholidayheroes.co.uk



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KIDS HOLIDAY HEROES - Half Term Holiday Camp

Kids Holiday Heroes are delighted to be running a brand-new action-packed holiday camp filled with exciting activities and adventures for children aged 5-12.

We are thrilled to welcome Tiverton Museum, who will be delivering a unique Roman-themed workshop where children will have the opportunity to make their own Roman shields, investigate real Roman artefacts, and re-enact Rom

Our camps are designed to be fun, engaging, and active, giving children the opportunity to try new experiences, build confidence, stay active, and make new friends during the holidays.

📍 Feniton

📅 Tuesday 26th to Wednesday 27th May

🕒 Feniton School 8:30 - 16:30

💰 £33

👤 We accept childcare vouchers, UC and the tax-free childcare scheme.

Please book via our website - www.kidsholidayheroes.co.uk



FENITON MAY TIMETABLE MAY WEEK 1 2026

8.30am – 4.30pm every day



Games room:

Activities in our games room including pool, board games, dart board and skittles!



What we offer:

- Ofsted registered
- DBS registered staff
- Fully trained first aiders
- Safeguarding certificates

TUESDAY 26th

Welcome and Breakfast Club
Fruit, toast or cereal

Warm up games

Break

Football

Dodgeball/Benchball

Lunch

Archery and Axe Throwing

Model plane building or Arts & Crafts/Games room

Home time 4.30pm

Childcare vouchers:

We also accept childcare vouchers and UC. Please email us for more information.

WEDNESDAY 27th

Welcome and Breakfast Club
Fruit, toast or cereal

Warm up games

Break

Football

Tennis

Lunch

Making crazy creatures or Arts & Crafts/Games room

Romans Workshop
Making shields, artefacts and battle formations.

Home time 4.30pm

Alternative activities:

Each day, children can participate in a range of arts and crafts activities.

Wednesday's special guest

Tiverton Museum:
Roman's Workshop.



Tax free childcare:

Check if you are eligible for universal credit and tax credits which can contribute significantly to the cost of your childcare with us.



Entry by
donation

FORCE fundraiser at Cadhay Gardens

By kind permission of Rupert Thistlethwayte
Ottery St Mary, EX11 1QT

Saturday 23rd May 2026: 12 - 4pm

House tours, garden trail & sweet and
savoury teas

Big Noise Chorus will be performing

Craft stalls and more!

Enjoy an afternoon
with friends & family

Contact Lyndsey Trimmer
07964836429 or visit our website
for more information



Creating Carer Friendly Communities

Part of Carers Week 2026

Join us at this community event

Saturday 13th June from 11am - 1pm

The Station, Mill Street, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1AH
(free parking on site)

Meet organisations who offer support to
local carers and those who are cared for
in our local community

There will be a safe space with activities
for your loved one while you meet and
chat to exhibitors

Any queries re exhibiting or attending please
contact jilldudding@otteryhelpscheme.org.uk

This event is coming to you through local statutory and voluntary
services in conjunction with Ottery Town Council