

South Petherton Junior, South Petherton C of E Infants and Pre-School
'Achieving the best'
'Embracing the Fullness of Life' John 10:10

Federation Newsletter 6

Autumn Term 2026

Focus Value: Forgiveness/Respect
'A strong community is built on forgiveness when mistakes are made and respect for one another every day. When we choose both, we help everyone feel valued, understood and able to grow'.

Remembrance

As we approach Armistice Day, our school community has been taking time to reflect on the sacrifices made by so many in times of conflict. Remembrance gives us the opportunity not only to honour those who served and gave their lives for others, but also to consider the values of courage, service, peace and hope that remain so important today.





I have been incredibly proud of how our children have engaged with this important learning. The Infant School has created a wonderful Remembrance display for our village community, which can be viewed in the window of **Stoodley & Son**. It is a beautiful tribute and a powerful reminder of the importance of remembering together.

At the Junior School, our older pupils have produced the most incredible artwork linked to their History learning on the Second World War. Through their studies, they have developed a deeper understanding of the experiences, sacrifices and resilience of those who lived through wartime. Their work is currently on display at the **Ham Hill Visitors Centre Gallery**, and I would encourage anyone who has the opportunity to take the time to visit and view it. The artwork is something the children should be immensely proud of.

I also had the privilege of listening to some truly remarkable creative writing from our Upper Key Stage 2 pupils. Having fully immersed themselves in their historical learning, the children used vivid imagery and the senses to bring history to life. Their words painted powerful pictures of courage, fear, loss, hope and humanity. The quality of their writing was exceptional and demonstrated not only their growing skills as writers but also their empathy and understanding of the experiences of others.

At a time when the world can often feel busy and fast-paced, Remembrance offers us an important moment to pause, reflect and be grateful. Seeing our children engage with these themes so thoughtfully gives me great confidence that the values we hold dear will continue to be carried forward by the next generation.

A time of reflection indeed.

"Lest we forget."



Congratulations Weekly Stars

Saplings
Everyone

Elm
Matilda, Lyra and Livi

Birch
Lucas, Wilf and Ethan

Cedar
Reeva C, Ralph and Remi

Oak
Cairo, Dominic and Isabelle

Rowan
Iyla and Faye T

Willow
Finley and Elsie

Hazel
Summer and Dev

Chestnut
Rudy and Hallie

Sycamore
Hayley and Arielle



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Just a friendly reminder about our upcoming PTFA Monday Mingle:



🗓️ Monday 9th November 2026

🕗 8pm

📍 Mike Saint Sports Pavilion, South Petherton, TA13 5AU

We would love to see as many members of our school community as possible for an informal and relaxed evening together. The bar will be open, and the first drink and nibbles are on us!

We look forward to seeing you there.

The PTFA Team





South Petherton War Memorial
Sunday 8th November 2026
Representatives from South Petherton Junior School





NUT FREE ZONE REMINDER

As a gentle reminder, we try to remain a nut-free site as much as we can. To help keep all children safe, please ensure that any snacks or packed lunches brought onto school premises do not contain nuts or nut products.

SAFEGUARDING

At South Petherton Schools Federation, we take our safeguarding responsibilities very seriously. If you have a concern, please speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Shan Weston or one of our Deputy Safeguarding Leads: Miss Charlotte White, Mrs Cath Hudson, Mrs Ali Chapple, Miss Lucy May or Miss Hannah Wakely. Alternatively, you can telephone Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224.

DATA

Please can all parents and carers ensure that the data held at the schools is accurate. Please send any changes in writing to the School Office.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Shan Weston - Excutive Headteacher