



**NORTON SUB HAMDON and WEST CHINNOCK
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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a busy week of events, sporting successes and a start to our Harvest celebrations.

On the sporting front, teams have represented the schools at football, netball and cross country this week. A special 'well done' to Jenson on coming first place in the year 5/6 boys cross country race at Ninesprings. We're really proud of everyone who ran and has taken part, demonstrated progress, commitment and perseverance.

Tuesday saw Class 2 at Norton dress as evacuees and head to Nothe Fort in Weymouth for the day – a fun and informative day was had by all! On Wednesday it was positive to see children from both schools get together to meet Author Chris Duke to talk about his book 'Lucy's Blue Day' and young people's emotional health and well-being.

On Thursday, Norton celebrated its Harvest Festival service in the church with Harvest songs, prayers, readings and a blessing of the beautiful Harvest Wheatsheaf baked by Mr Parkinson! Thank you everyone for your kind donations for the Lord's Larder. West Chinnock celebrates Harvest next Tuesday at 2pm.

Well done to Gracie from Norton and Rui from West Chinnock who represented our schools at the South Somerset District Full Council meeting with Mrs Herbert on Thursday evening. At the meeting the council's new environment strategy was discussed which aims to tackle climate change. We're extremely proud that our schools have contributed to the development, implementation and acceptance of the strategy. This is great news in our bid to become 'green flag' recognised eco-schools. Councillors noted that our schools were the only local schools represented at the meeting.

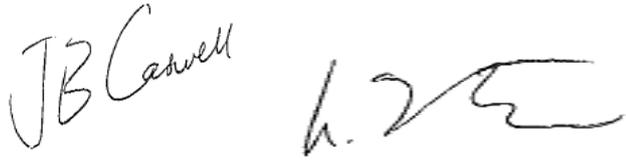
Next week, Class 2 at West Chinnock will visit Coldhabour Mill in Devon to find out more about Victorians including a drama workshop.

Parents' Evenings will be held at Norton next Monday and Thursday. Please do sign up for an appointment if you haven't done so already. West Chinnock parents' evenings are on the 11th and 14th November.



Keep an eye out for all the events happening next week including the FONS 'wacky dressing up day' at Norton on Friday.

Thank you for your continued support,



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