



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

As this half-term comes to an end, we reflect on how much has happened at our schools including the exciting topic work and trips, busy after school clubs, success in sports, Harvest Festivals and the groovy discos organised by the FONS and PFA. We've been so impressed and encouraged with how well the children have quickly settled into new routines, the commitment they have shown to their work and their kindness towards each other.

Over the last week at West Chinnock, we have had a visit from a WaterAid volunteer to talk about the difference clean drinking water can make to people's lives (well done to Harrison who is doing a sponsored 10-mile bike ride for the charity). We also celebrated Harvest with excellent singing from all. Thank you to Mr Mitchell for getting the songs together in time and for the PFA for delicious cakes and refreshments. Class 2 enjoyed their trip to Coldharbour Mill in Devon on Wednesday and we are excited to see how this experience will shape their creative writing about life as a Victorian.

In the spirit of the World Cup, Norton's Tag Rugby team competed against other schools in an event at Yeovil Rugby Club on Tuesday – come on England! Thank you to everybody who attended the parents' evenings this week at Norton and to Governor Steph Bailey who provided much needed refreshments for teachers and parents. Sign-up sheets will be available soon for West Chinnock parents' evenings which will be held on the 11th and 14th November.

We thank Olly Donaldson, Chair of Governors, for the assembly he gave at West Chinnock about his recent trip to Nepal. Olly will repeat his presentation for the Norton pupils on Monday 4th November.

After half-term, we have the third cross country event of the season which is hosted at Yeovil Football Club on Wednesday 6th November. On Thursday 7th November, Year 5/6 teams from Norton and West Chinnock will compete in the South Somerset Small Schools Area Football Finals. On Sunday 10th November, Remembrance Services will be held at the village churches with children from our schools playing a role in the commemorations.



We wish you all a lovely half-term. We look forward to seeing you on the 4th November for another action packed half-term,

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