Wembdon News

16th November 2026



Koinonia



Service



Trust

‘Shining together to be the best we can be for God and for each other’

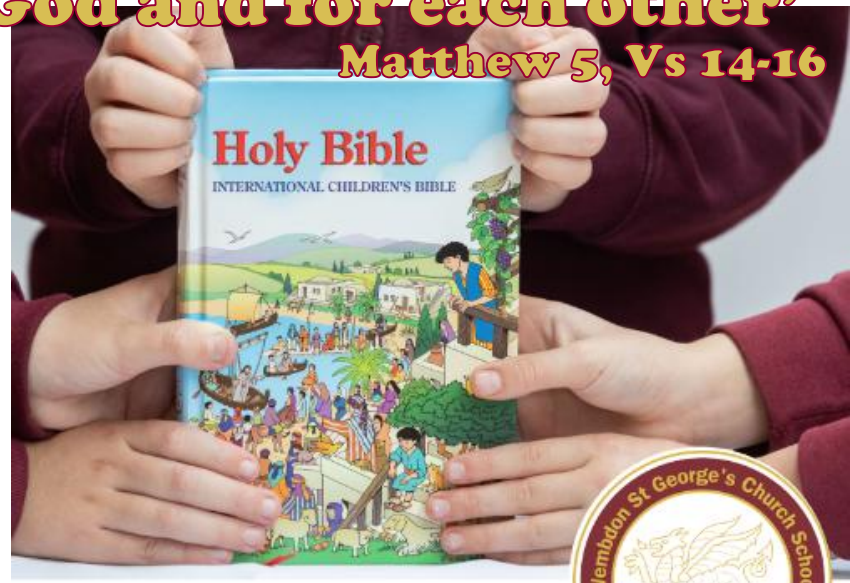
Matthew 5, Vs 14-16



Forgiveness



Compassion



Wisdom

Attendance updates at Wembdon- 12.11.26

All day, every day, on time!

Bath & Wells Multi Academy Trust

What will be changing?

- Mrs Gibbs is the Attendance Champion for Wembdon and will delegate certain tasks to other senior and admin staff.
- Updated National Policy
- Updated BWMAT Policy
- Updated Wembdon Policy
- Department for Education and Somerset CC can access our attendance data base remotely to monitor compliance with national policy.
- Weekly school-based monitoring and contact with families.

What does this mean for my child/children?

- School-based monitoring will look at 95%+ as the expected attendance rate for children.
- Children will be marked as late from 9.00-9.30am each day. Late marks can be counted towards unauthorised absences.
- Children will receive an unauthorised absence mark if they arrive after 9.30.
- Collection of children after the afternoon session has started will be under scrutiny and evidence may be required for reasons to take children out of school.
- The H code for holidays no longer exists, all holidays are unauthorised absences and very few will be considered as exceptional circumstances.
- Holidays taken in term time that equal 10 sessions or 5 school days will be referred for a penalty fine.
- Holidays under the 10 sessions/ 5 days will be considered as unauthorised absences and will count towards the 10-week monitoring.
- 20 unauthorised absence marks (am/pm) in any 10-week period will trigger the next stage of intervention which is likely to involve Education Engagement Services from Somerset CC.
- We are currently undertaking a new attendance monitoring process and will be populating a list of children whose attendance was below 92% last year. We will continue to support and monitor these children and will let families know via a letter in due course.

School Day Timings - September 2026

7.30	Wembdon Wrap Around Breakfast Club opens, bookings only
8.50	Pedestrian gates unlocked Children and families welcome on site Staff on duty
8.50	Classrooms open Children to enter Teachers present
9.00	Register taken Children are marked as late after this time
10.30	Breaktime (flexible)
12.00	Lunchtime (flexible)
3.25	Pedestrian gates unlocked Families welcomed on site Staff on duty
3.30	Children dismissed from classrooms
3.40	Gates and classrooms closed
3.30	After school clubs as advertised
5.30	Wembdon Wrap Around After School Club closes
6.00	Site closed

4. Wembdon School Life



Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether to keep your child off school when they are unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK.

These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school on the first day of absence. Please let us know that your child won't be in and the reason.

If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, let their teacher know.

Coughs & colds It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or common cold. But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes.	**High temperature** If your child has a high temperature, keep them off school until it goes away.	**Chickenpox** If your child has chickenpox, keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.	**Cold sores** There's no need to keep your child off school if they have a cold sore. Encourage them not to touch the blister while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.	**Conjunctivitis** You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis. Do get advice from your pharmacist.	**COVID-19** If your child has mild symptoms, and feels well enough, they can go to school. Your child should stay at home if they have symptoms of COVID-19 and they do not feel well enough to go to school.	**Ear infection** If your child has an ear infection and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better, or their high temperature goes away.	**Hand, foot & mouth disease** If your child has hand, foot and mouth disease but seems well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off.
Head lice & nits There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice. You can treat head lice and nits without seeing a GP.	**Impetigo** If your child has impetigo, th ey'll need treatment from a GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment.	**Ringworm** If your child has ringworm, see your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.	**Scarlet fever** If your child has scarlet fever, they'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise, they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.	**Slapped cheek syndrome** Children do not need to be kept off school if they have slapped cheek syndrome as once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious. But let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.	**Sore throat** You can still send your child to school if they have a sore throat. But if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away. A sore throat and a high temperature can be symptoms of tonsillitis.	**Threadworms** You don't need to keep your child off school if they have threadworms. Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend a treatment.	**Vomiting & diarrhoea** Children should remain at home until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

Sports Clubs and Music Lessons

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
During School		**Praisemakers Club** Y5, 12:00-12:30			**Choir Club** Y2 – 5, 12:00-1:00
After School			**Gymnastics** Y1 – 6, 3:30-4:30	**Key Stage 2 Football** Y4 – 6, 3:30-4:30	**Forest School** Y1 – 6 3:30-4:30
Booking details			Inspired School After School Sports Club	Inspired School After School Sports Club	Forest School After School Club

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
During School		**Bass, Drums, Keyboard & Vocal Lessons (Rocksteady)** Y2 – 6, 13:00-3:30 **Guitar Lessons (Mr Pomeroy)** Y6, 13:00-3:30	**Singing Lessons (Mrs Bailey)** Y3 – 6, 13:00-3:30		
Booking details		Rocksteady - Digital Flyer Mr Pomeroy – email fdpomeroy@yahoo.com	Mrs Bailey – email janebaileymusic@gmail.com		

Wembdon St George's Church School

Open Day

Is your child starting school in September 2027?

We invite you, and your child, to come and view our school,

- Wednesday 30th of September at 9:30am
- Monday 5th of October at 2pm
- Thursday 15th of October at 2pm
- Tuesday 17th November at 9:30am



How to book:

Please call 01278 451726
or email office@wembdon.bwmat.org

We are very much looking forward to meeting you.

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Wembdon St George's Church School
A Bath & Wells Academy

NEW SCHOOL YEAR 2026 – 2027

TOGETHER, WE CAN!

DONATIONS NEEDED!

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Please donate your outgrown uniform today!

NEW STOCK ADDED!

View online and order

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DONATE ♥ REUSE ♥ SUPPORT



THANK YOU!

WE HAVE ALREADY SHARED 40 UNIFORMS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR AMAZING SUPPORT!

DONATE ♡

If your child has outgrown their uniform or no longer needs it, please donate it to help other families in our school community.

WE WELCOME:

- Jumpers, Cardigans & Hoodies
- Polo Shirts & Sweatshirts
- Trousers, Skirts, Pinafores & Shorts
- PE Kit (Tops, Shorts, Joggers, etc.)
- Dresses & Playsuits
- Coats & Jackets
- School Bags & Accessories

Please ensure all items are clean, in good condition and ready to wear.

HAND IN DONATIONS TO

WEMBDON ST GEORGE'S SCHOOL AT RECEPTION

ORDERS WILL BE SENT TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM

ORDER ONLINE

If you order any uniform, it will be sent to your child's classroom.

SIMPLE, EASY AND SUSTAINABLE!

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NEW STOCK ADDED REGULARLY

CHECK ONLINE AND ORDER TODAY!

♡ Little Threads Exchange Shop ♡

Thank you for supporting our school!



🎅🎄❄️ NORTH POLE NIGHT OUT! ❄️🎄🎅

🎉 The Wembdon St George's PTA Christmas Disco is coming to town! 🎉

We're turning up the festive fun for a magical North Pole Night Out, packed with Christmas cheer and great music! 🎶 ✨

📅 Wednesday 2nd December at Wembdon St George's School
🕔 KS1: 5:15pm – 6:30pm
🕖 KS2: 7:00pm – 8:15pm
🎟️ Tickets: £4.50 per child – available via the PTA page!

🎄 What's waiting at the North Pole?
🎶 Festive tunes and disco dancing!
🍭 North Pole Tuck Shop – sweet treats and refreshments! With Christmas goodies and much more!
👒 Don't forget to wear your festive best! Christmas jumpers, sparkles, glitter and festive outfits are all welcome!

❤️ Every ticket and purchase helps our PTA raise money to support our wonderful school and children! Buy on- https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wembdonstgeorges/index.cfm?event=upcoming-events

🎄 Christmas Holiday Camps with Inspired Schools! 🎄

We are excited to announce that Inspired Schools will be running our Christmas Holiday Camps this December, offering children the opportunity to enjoy a fun-filled holiday packed with exciting activities, new friendships and festive fun!
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🎅 Our Christmas Camp Locations & Dates

We will be running our Christmas Holiday Camps at the following venues near you:

🗓️ 21st – 23rd December 2026

Northgate
Woolavington
North Petherton

🌟 Happy Healthy Holidays – Funded Places Available!

🎟️PAID SPACES ARE AVAILABLE TO BOOK NOW!

We encourage families to book early to secure their preferred dates & venues!

Book via the iPAL For Parents App or visit:
https://inspiredschools.ipalbookings.com/app

📧 hello@inspiredschools.co.uk

Keep the kids active, make new friends, burn off some energy and enjoy a whole lot of festive sporting fun this Christmas!

We can't wait to see you there!



School Dates

November 2026

9	10	11	12	13 Children in Need
16	17	18	19	20
Anti-bullying Week				
Whole School Photographs	EYFS Open Day [09:30 to 11:00]			
23	24	25	26	27
30	1	2 PTA Christmas Disco [17:15 to 20:15]	3 EYFS Vision Screening [09:30 to 11:00]	4

All dates are available to view on the calendar on our school website: https://wembdonstgeorges.co.uk/calendar/

Attendance this week:	**94.97%**	**National Average: 96%**
Overall Attendance:	**96.81%**	**This is above the national average.**



Teams

Knights: 6,192

1A, 2/3A, 2/3B, 2/3C, 6A



Dragons: 3,528

RA, R1B, 4/5A, 4/5B, 4/5C

5. Wembdon Community

JCIs

A club for school yrs 3-6 (6-11s)
Fridays (monthly)
6.30-8pm
£1.50 (this includes a bag of sweets)

St George's Parish Centre, Church Road
starts September 11th

Crazy games, creative crafts and time to investigate Jesus.

An adult will need to fill in a consent form before dropping off your child on the first visit.

St George's Wembdon
Making Jesus Known

Or pre-register

Footsteps

St George's Wembdon
Making Jesus Known

A group that journeys with babies, toddlers and their families

Mondays during schools term time
Parish Centre, Church Road, TA6 7RR
10-11.30am
£1 per adult and child