



Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

## Newsletter Summer 1 - 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite being the shortest half-term of the year, it has certainly been packed with activity and achievement! Our pupils have taken part in a variety of enrichment opportunities, demonstrating curiosity, creativity, and a real enthusiasm for learning. We're incredibly proud of the progress all our children are making across the school. A special shout-out goes to our Year 6 pupils, who approached their SATs with great determination and maturity. Our well-attended Year 6 breakfast club provided a calm and positive start to each day, and we're grateful to all the staff who supported it. To top it all off, Year 6 enjoyed a memorable residential trip - an exciting and well-deserved way to round off a busy few weeks at Kingfisher.



Next term is shaping up to be just as exciting and action-packed! We have a fantastic line-up of events and activities planned to keep everyone engaged and inspired. Our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils will be showcasing their talents in end-of-year performances for parents—always a highlight of the summer term.



There are plenty of opportunities for learning beyond the classroom too, with class trips to Sandworld, the Sea Life Centre, and Somerset County Cricket Club. Year 5 will be taking part in Bikeability, helping them build confidence and skills for safe cycling. Transition days will help prepare our pupils for the next stage in their school journey, while Sports Day promises to bring the whole school community together in a celebration of teamwork and fun. We're also looking forward to some of our much-loved Kingfisher traditions, including *Kingfisher's Got Talent*, the *Kingfisher Carnival*, and our ever-popular *Summer Fayre*.

As we look ahead to the final term of the academic year, I'm truly looking forward to continuing our collaboration and celebrating all the exciting moments still to come. In the meantime, I wish you all a healthy, happy, and restful half-term break. We look forward to welcoming all children back to school on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025**.

With best wishes,

Mr Daniel Glentworth  
Head Teacher

### Attendance Matters

We're pleased to share that our whole school attendance for **this term** stands at an impressive **97.7%**, with our year-to-date attendance since September 2024 currently at **95.9%** - above the national average of **94.8%**. However, as a school, we are always striving to maintain attendance above **96%**, and we thank all families for their continued support in helping us achieve this goal. Please remember that school attendance is statutory, and every day counts in your child's learning journey. A big congratulations to **Owl Class**, who achieved the highest attendance this term with an outstanding **99.2%** - well done Year 6!

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**After-school childcare:** A polite reminder to all our families that the sessions you have booked on ParentPay will automatically cancel if there are insufficient funds on your account. Please ensure that funds are in your account when you book your sessions.

**Scooters & Bikes:** Please encourage your child to dismount their scooter or bike as they enter the school gates to ensure the safety of those on foot. Thank you.

## Cricket Taster Sessions – PE enrichment

In April, we were lucky to have Somerset coaches, Sean and Lisa, from Somerset Cricket Foundation in school facilitating cricket taster sessions for all year groups. Lots of fun and enjoyment was had ending with some awesome bowling and batting skills being demonstrated.



## Rock up and Read – Reading for Pleasure

Our half-termly *Rock Up and Read* sessions continue to grow in popularity, with more and more parents joining us to enjoy books alongside their children. It's a wonderful opportunity to share the joy of reading and spend quality time together in a relaxed and welcoming environment. If you haven't attended yet, we warmly encourage you to come along - you'll be very welcome!



## Year 5 trip to We the Curious

Year 5 recently enjoyed an exciting and educational trip to *We the Curious* in Bristol. The visit offered a fantastic opportunity for hands-on learning, with pupils exploring interactive exhibits that brought science, technology, and creativity to life. From experimenting with light and sound to discovering the wonders of space, the children were fully engaged and inspired throughout the day. It was a brilliant experience that sparked curiosity and deepened their understanding of the world around them.



## VE Day – 80<sup>th</sup> Celebrations

Our VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> commemorations began with a powerful whole-school assembly, superbly led by Miss Kitto and our Year 6 pupils. The children listened to Winston Churchill's historic speech to the nation and explored the complex emotions felt by people around the world at the end of World War II.



Throughout the day, staff delivered a range of exciting and meaningful activities designed to deepen pupils' understanding of this significant moment in history. From creative projects to thoughtful discussions, the children were fully immersed in learning about the impact of VE Day.



To bring our celebrations to a memorable close, we were delighted to welcome George, Darren, and Carl into school. George generously shared his private collection of World War II memorabilia, giving pupils a unique and tangible insight into what life was like for soldiers during the war. It was a truly enriching experience that brought history to life in a powerful and personal way.



## Year 6 Residential – Huish Woods

Our Year 6 pupils recently returned from an unforgettable residential trip to Huish Woods, where they embraced a wide range of challenges designed to build confidence, independence, and essential life skills in preparation for secondary school.



Throughout the week, children took responsibility for tasks such as washing up, tidying, cooking, and cleaning—developing their organisation and teamwork in a real-life setting. The experience encouraged them to step outside their comfort zones and grow in resilience and self-reliance.



The trip was packed with exciting activities including caving, woodwork, paracord, rifle shooting, archery, frisbee golf, laser tag, and a night walk. Evenings around the campfire offered a chance to reflect, bond, and enjoy the outdoors together.

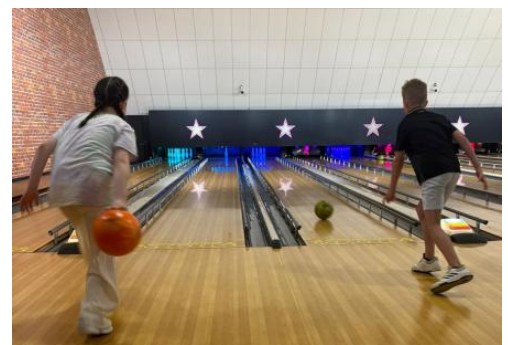


It was a week full of laughter, learning, and lasting memories—an experience that will stay with our pupils as they take their next steps toward secondary school.



## Year 6 Residential (Part 2)

To conclude Owl class's brilliant residential week, the last day of term was a day spent at the cinema watching the new Lilo & Stitch movie – this was only released today, and Owl Class will be some of the first people to watch the film. This was then followed by lunch and a game of ten-pin bowling. A great time was had by all, and it was the perfect way to end a very fun-filled week.



## Military Kids Day

In May, we were proud to mark Military Kids Day in school - a special occasion to recognise and celebrate the children and families in our community whose parents serve in the armed forces. The day provided an opportunity to reflect on the unique experiences and challenges faced by service families, and to show our appreciation for their resilience and strength. Through thoughtful activities and discussions, we honoured the important role these children play in our school and wider community. Our military children led our whole school assembly and explained what it was like having a parent in the armed forces. Thanks to Mrs Streetin for her continued dedication.



## Year 5 trip to Abbey Hill Steam Rally

Year 5 had a fantastic time visiting the Abbey Hill Steam Rally at Yeovil Showground—a celebration of vintage engineering and traditional family fun. Pupils were amazed by the impressive collection of steam engines, classic cars, tractors, and military vehicles on display. The event offered a unique opportunity to step back in time and experience the sights, sounds, and smells of a bygone era. From exploring the exhibits to enjoying the lively atmosphere, the trip was both educational and thoroughly enjoyable. It was a brilliant day out that sparked curiosity and brought history to life in a truly memorable way. They even got to meet some interesting reptiles.



## KS1 watch the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra

Our Key Stage 1 pupils had a wonderful cultural experience watching the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra perform live at the Westlands Entertainment Centre. The children were captivated by the music, which introduced them to a variety of instruments, rhythms, and sounds in an engaging and accessible way. It was a fantastic opportunity to experience the magic of live orchestral music and to develop an appreciation for the arts from a young age.



## Story-telling Day

We were delighted to welcome the wonderfully talented storyteller Mark Fraser into school for a truly magical Storytelling Day that captivated every class. Known for his dynamic and engaging style, Mark brought stories to life in a way that was anything but traditional—full of energy, humour, and theatrical flair. Fittingly, Mark visited us on St George's Day, and this inspired the theme for both his storytelling sessions and the interactive workshops that followed. Through his vivid storytelling and imaginative delivery, he transported pupils into the world of dragons, heroes, and legends, keeping both children and staff completely enthralled.



## Year 4 - TT Rockstars Day

Our recent TT Rockstars Day was a huge hit, filled with energy, enthusiasm, and a whole lot of number-crunching fun! Pupils and staff dressed up as rockstars to celebrate times tables in style, taking part in exciting maths challenges and head-to-head battles on Times Tables Rockstars. The day was all about building confidence with multiplication in a fun and engaging way, and it certainly delivered! A big well done to all our rockstars for their fantastic effort and team spirit.



## X (formally known as Twitter)



Do not forget that we have a school X (formally Twitter) account: [@KingfisherYeo](https://twitter.com/KingfisherYeo)  
The Twitter account is a fantastic way of celebrating what our pupils do with their parents, grandparents, and the wider school community.

### Year 3 trip to Whatley Quarry

Last week, our Year 3 pupils embarked on an exciting educational trip to Whatley Quarry to deepen their understanding of rocks and soil. The visit brought their science lessons to life as they explored real rock formations, observed different soil types, and learned about how quarries operate. Guided by experts, the children had the chance to handle various rock samples, ask questions, and even witness some of the machinery used in quarrying. It was a fantastic hands-on experience that sparked curiosity and enthusiasm for geology! A big thank you to the staff at Whatley Quarry and our wonderful parent volunteers for making this trip both educational and memorable.



### Sports Day 2025



We will be holding our sports day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will compete in the morning and KS2 pupils in the afternoon. Please could children wear t-shirts in their house colour: Sea King – Yellow, Lynx – Green, Wessex – Red and Apache – Blue. If you are unsure which house your child is in, please contact your child's class teacher. Siblings are placed in the same houses. Our reserve date is Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Further details have been sent separately.

### Parent Pay Account Reminder



We kindly ask all parents and carers to check their ParentPay accounts and ensure that any outstanding balances are settled **as soon as possible**. This helps us keep school activities running smoothly and ensures your child doesn't miss out on upcoming events and opportunities. If you have any questions or need assistance with your account, please don't hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you for your continued support.

### Pupil Premium

The pupil premium is additional funding that the Government provides for each child who they believe may be disadvantaged in achieving their best in education. At Kingfisher Primary School, we provide high quality education and enrichment opportunities for all our pupils regardless of ability or background. However, it is useful to receive this funding for all children entitled to it. If your children are entitled to free school meals or a member of the household is currently in receipt, or has been in the last six years, of Universal credit then please do apply through this hyperlink.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/children-families-and-education/school-life/free-school-meals/>

### Important information about After School Childcare

Although we are aware and sympathetic that traffic in and round Yeovil can be terribly busy, please be mindful that late charges will be applied if you are late collecting your child from ASC as staff supervision needs to be always maintained.



## Diary Dates



**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May**

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**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June (4 weeks)

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July

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Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

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Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July

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Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

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**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

## **HALF TERM**

**Book school lunches for first week back**



**Teacher Training – School closed to pupils.**

First day back to school for all children.

Selected Year 5 & 6 Swimming lessons begin.

Year 5 play to parents - see separate letter previously sent

New Reception Intake Parent Meeting

Year 4 to Museum of Somerset, Taunton

Bikeability – selected Year 5 children

Sports Day – see separate letter previously sent

Year 5 to Westfield Enrichment Day

Year 6 to Somerset County Cricket Club

Year 6 to Preston, Westfield & Stanchester transition day

Kingfisher Step up Afternoon

Year 6 to Preston

Kingfisher's Got Talent

Kingfisher Carnival

Sports Day (Reserve date)

Year 5 Preston Taster Day (more details to follow)

Reception to Axe Valley (more details to follow)

PPAT's Got Talent Final

PTA Summer Fair

Year 2 to Sealife Centre, Weymouth

Year 6 Play to Parents 1pm - more details to follow.

Year 6 Play to Parents 6pm - more details to follow.

LKDN Graduation

Year 1 to Sandworld, Weymouth

Year 6 Leavers Assembly - more details to follow.

Last day of term – non-uniform day

**Summer Holidays**

**Teacher Training – School closed to pupils**

**First day of new term**

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## What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

SNAP STREAK

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# SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION

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Snapchat is a messaging app which allows users to send images, videos and texts to others. Its best-known feature is that anything sent 'disappears' 24 hours after it's been viewed; however, users are known to take screenshots or use another device to obtain a photo of their screen. In 2023, Snapchat added a chatbot function called 'My AI'.

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

#### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

My AI is Snapchat's new chatbot, which replies to questions in a human-like manner. However, the software is still in its infancy and has significant drawbacks, such as biased, incorrect or misleading responses. There have already been numerous reports of young users turning to AI for medical help and diagnoses, which could be inaccurate and therefore potentially dangerous.

#### PREDATORS AND SCAMS

Predators can exploit Snapchat's disappearing messages by, for example, telling a user they have naked photos of them and will post them unless they're paid. Snapchat's own research found that 65% of teenagers had experienced this – on this app or others. This likely isn't helped by 'SnapMaps' – a feature which highlights your exact position in real-time. This is meant to help friends keep track of each other, but could be used for more sinister reasons.

#### MY EYES ONLY

Snapchat has a hidden photo vault called 'My Eyes Only'. Teens can conceal sensitive photos and videos from parents and carers in this folder, which is protected by a PIN. You can check for this by clicking on the icon which looks like two playing cards. This takes you to the 'Memories' folder which stores photos, stories and the My Eyes Only folder.

#### SCREEN TIME ADDICTION

Snapchat prioritises user engagement, with features like streaks (messaging the same person every day to build up a high score). The app also has sections called 'Discover' and 'Spotlight', which show tailored content to each user. However, this could also be seen as an attempt to hook users into watching videos endlessly. Furthermore, constant notifications can lure people into using the app.

#### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some content on Snapchat simply isn't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's 'disappearing messages' feature also makes it easy for young people to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.

#### ONLINE PRESSURES

Although many of Snapchat's filters are designed to entertain or amuse, the 'beauty' effects on photos can set unrealistic body image expectations – creating feelings of inadequacy in younger users. Snapchat now also has 'priority' notifications (which still get displayed even if a device is in 'do not disturb' mode), increasing the pressure on users to log back in and interact.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

#### UTILISE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Snapchat's 'Family Centre' lets you view the details of the child's account – their friends list and who they've spoken to in the last week – and report any concerns. You must invite a child to the Family Centre for them to join. To keep the child's location hidden on the app, go into settings and turn on 'Ghost Mode' and 'Hide Live Location', and ensure they know not to share their location with anyone.

#### BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger *does* connect with a child on Snapchat and begins to make them feel uncomfortable through bullying, pressure to send explicit images or by sending sexual images to them, the child can tap the three dots on that person's profile and report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user – such as annoying or malicious messages, spam or masquerading as someone else.

#### FAMILIARISE YOURSELF

Before you allow a child to download Snapchat, download it yourself and familiarise yourself with the app. Snapchat has produced a parents' guide to the app to help you understand how it works and any protections they have in place. A link for this can be found in the sources below.

#### ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Snapchat's risks can be easier to handle if you nurture an open dialogue. For example, discuss My AI's responses to questions and how reliable they are. Talk about scams and blackmail before letting children sign up. If they're lured into a scam, encourage them to tell you immediately. Talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting, emphasising its inherent risks. Furthermore, explain how popular 'challenges' on the platform can have harmful consequences.

#### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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## What Parents & Educators Need to Know about **STREAMERS**

Livestreaming has become a big part of the entertainment people consume, and what began as a series of gamers sharing their screens has grown into a huge industry packed with personalities – and potential risks for your children. With over 2.5 million people watching Twitch, the most popular streaming service, at any one time, it's important to remain aware of the risks associated with streamers.

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

#### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT



Some gaming streamers will stick to family-friendly titles, but others will play more violent games that tend to be more popular. Non-gaming streamers could, in theory, discuss just about anything, and some streamers will often stream in revealing outfits.

#### NEGATIVE INFLUENCES



While things have improved, streamers are often paid by companies to promote products, and this isn't always stated explicitly. While it's unlikely these goods will be harmful to your child, some streamers and influencers have engaged (knowingly or not) in scams in the past.

#### FINANCIAL HARM

Streamers will often have donation buttons on their screens for users to submit money. What can start as small amounts can quickly spiral as streamers engage with paying viewers more often, potentially leading to financial issues.

#### UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS



Influencers often showcase how glamorous their lives are, making some users feel as though they are lesser. However, it's important to stress that, in many ways, this is an act, or at the very least, not common. Logan Paul, who has been successful as a streamer and influencer, has a Pokemon card worth \$5 million, but this is atypical of anyone working in the medium.

#### MISINFORMATION



Streamers are, in many ways, just like us – and they can get things wrong or reel off an opinion without having thought about it. Some can simply say awful things to get a rise out of viewers or to sway them to their side of a hot topic.

#### ADDICTION AND SCREEN TIME



If your child is watching a lot of a particular streamer, it can be just as damaging to their social life as playing too many video games.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

#### EXPLAIN HOW STREAMING WORKS



For a younger viewer, being a streamer or influencer seems aspirational, but it involves a lot of work and no small degree of good fortune. Streamers are often managed and unable to speak freely due to sponsors, and influencers are just that – influencing young minds, for better or for worse.

#### CHECK OUT STREAMING PLATFORMS



While Twitch was the de facto streaming service for years, YouTube has gained popularity, too. Then there are Kick and Rumble, which have grown in popularity with moves for big-name streamers – despite many being dogged by controversy.

#### DO NOT LOG PAYMENT INFORMATION



Streamers can reward donations with additional content, on-camera "shout outs" and more. If you're unsure about who or what your child is watching, consider avoiding linking payment information. This is especially notable with Twitch, which is owned by Amazon and therefore has some crossover.

#### SET SCREEN TIME LIMITS



You can set screentime limits for mobile apps on iOS and Google, but with other platforms like a PC it may be more difficult to keep tabs. Consider checking in regularly to ensure your children aren't watching content they shouldn't be.

#### Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of the Daily Star, and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



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Half-term activities within our community



 **Tecnifibre**

# LET'S PLAY TENNIS!

Join us at Yeovil Tennis Club

**Monday**

Tots/Red (4-5 yrs): 4:45 -5:30pm

Orange/green (8-12 yrs): 5:30 to 6:15pm

**Thursday**

Red (5-8 yrs): 4:30 to 6:15pm

**Saturday**

Red: 9 to 9:45am

Orange/green: 10:30 to 11:15am

Yellow (12-16 yrs): 11:15am to 12:15pm

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**Tennis Camp - May 28<sup>th</sup>, 9am-3pm, £28 pp**

**FREE Junior Open Day - Saturday 28 June, 12-2 pm**

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**20% off if you book on the term-time programme & tennis camp!**



**Contact Luke Andrews on 07437 404242 / Latennis@hotmail.com**

Dear Parent/Guardian

Over the school summer holiday, Somerset Cricket Foundation offering a FREE GIRLS Dynamos cricket camp for 9-11 year old

Dynamos Cricket is a perfect introduction for all 9-11 year-olds new to the sport of cricket! The session will take place at Yeovil Cricket Club.

Dynamos Cricket provides children with a more social offer focused on developing fundamental movement skills and applying them in an exciting game of countdown cricket.

We know how important it is to look like the heroes of the game, so every child who registers will receive their very own personalised Dynamos Cricket **t-shirt!**

**Programme Details:**

Dynamos Cricket (8 – 11 Year olds)

**When:** 27<sup>th</sup> May

**Time:** 10am – 1pm

**Where:** Yeovil Cricket Club

**Booking information**

To book a place, simply enter your details and then your child's details using this online booking link:

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Book/4db61016-f18c-43e4-b243-4a28ee7f652d?venue=SomersetCricketFoundationCCB>

You will notice that the cost of the programme has been set to £50. Before you check out, please enter this voucher code **477D8** that will take the cost of the programme to £0

If you have any questions about booking, please email [Amber.Casely@somersetcricketfoundation.org](mailto:Amber.Casely@somersetcricketfoundation.org)

Yours faithfully

Amber Casely  
Somerset Cricket Foundation



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# PIRATES OF THE CARABINA

## Counterweight

*Somerset Circus with UK curriculum links!*

Saturday 31 May | 2pm and 6pm | Burrow Hill, Somerset

£16 adult | £10 Child | Under 4's go free!

[ticketsource.co.uk/counterweight](https://ticketsource.co.uk/counterweight)

### Curriculum Links

#### **Key Stage One**

Science - Forces and Materials  
English - Storytelling & Expression  
PSHE - Confidence & Teamwork

#### **Key Stage Two**

Science - Forces & Motion  
English - Review Writing  
PSHE - Growth Mindset & Resilience

#### **Key Stage Three**

Science - Physics of Movement  
Drama - Alternative Theatre

### What schools and families can expect:

An outdoor Circus-Theatre show about cause and effect led by 5 circus artists who use great technical skill to perform a counter-weighted aerial performance where they use their body weight to move each other and props up and down. The show also features many elements typical of traditional circus - from tightwire walking and physical theatre (look for exaggerated actions and expressions) to acrobatics and the use of props - including a flying piano!

Pirates of the Carabina are a Somerset Circus Company with international acclaim. This show has a soundtrack of original songs, written and performed live by the company. There are lots of funny parts, some quiet bits, and several acts in which the performers appear to be flying. *Counterweight showcases storytelling through movement and music, with key themes of Human Connection, Collaboration and Resilience.*

