

NEWSLETTER

12 December 2025



Christmas Jumper Week

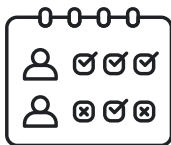
We are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful Christmas jumpers next week. Children can wear a Christmas jumper with their usual school uniforms throughout the week.

Headteacher's Message

This week, we've been reflecting on the concept of 'Teamwork' from our Learning Toolkit, exploring ways to showcase it during our learning and play activities. We were absolutely delighted to welcome so many families on Tuesday for our Reception classes' performance of 'Wiggly Nativity'. The children were remarkable, and we couldn't be prouder of their confident delivery and beautiful singing. A heartfelt thank you goes out to the Reception team for their dedication and effort in organising this wonderful event; we truly enjoyed it.



Thank you to all the families that came to support us at our very first Christmas Fair. We raised an impressive **£802**. The money will be used to purchase play resources for our Hornbeams Wraparound provision.



Class Attendance

The class with this week's highest attendance is:



Bears Class
82.02%



Emus Class
87.08%



Raccoons Class
93.65%



Penguins Class
81.44%



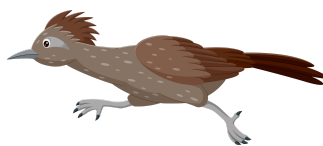
Elephants Class
93.85%



Yaks Class
82.54%



Geckos Class
90.91%



Roadrunners Class
90.15%



Macaws Class
95.19%



Hummingbirds Class
97.78%

Stars of the Week

Reception

Isaac Cochrane

Tanaka Mapurisa

Key Stage One

Oakley Pauley

Kathleen Collins

Andy Zheng

Leo Talbot

Lower Key Stage Two

Della-Rose Da Silva

Kelsey Bisniece

Annalise Lawrence

Upper Key Stage Two

Jayden Gilbert



Dates for your Diary



School Events

Christmas Jumper Week
Monday 15th to Friday 19th
December

Children can wear a
Christmas /
Winter themed jumper
all week with their school
uniform.

Christmas Dinner Day
Wednesday 17th
December

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025

End of Autumn Term
Friday 19th December

Training Day
(no school)
Monday 5 January

School begins
for Spring Term
Tuesday 6 January



Enriching Curriculum

Nursery Team

Well, Nursery has at last become all things festive! We've been getting into the Christmas spirit with lots of Christmas fun! The children are enjoying making colourful crafts, from sparkly snowflake collages to cheerfully decorated candleholder jars and individual pottery baubles. The highlight of our week was welcoming our families to join us for a special parent Christmas crafts and Carols event. It was lovely to share the time together creating beautiful keepsakes for the season ending with traditional Christmas carols and songs together, and of course our jingle bells! Our Christmas tree looks beautiful, little hands carefully hung their handmade decorations with pride. We've also been busy creating bright and joyful Christmas cards to share with our families and friends. It's beginning to feel very magical!

Reception Team

What an amazing week! Every child in Reception has worked so hard over the past few weeks, learning their songs, lines and moves for the Nativity. This week we showed our performance to our adults. We were all so proud of how well every child did! We have also been getting in the Christmas spirit, decorating the classrooms, learning about The Christmas Story as well as having our own Santa's Workshop where the children have been wrapping up presents, writing tags and cards! It has been a lovely week in both our classes!

Key Stage One Team

This week, the children have continued to put their writing skills into practise. Year One have been making their own fact files all about space and Year Two have been creating information posters about animals. In Science, we have continued to explore trees, looking at and sorting those that are evergreen and deciduous. In PSHRE, we have been exploring relationships within our families. In Geography, we have been exploring the seas that surround the United Kingdom, learning their names, locations, and why they are so important to our country.

Lower Key Stage Two Team

It has been another exciting week for Years Three and Four. In Maths, Year Three have been learning to read scales and measure mass, preparing to explore the relationship between grams and kilograms next week. They have also continued their work in Writing on 'The Heart and the Bottle' by Oliver Jeffers, discussing emotions and different perspectives, which inspired them to write thoughtful poems. In Geography, both Year Three and Four explored Ordnance Survey maps, focusing on scale and how it affects the detail shown. Year Four have been equally busy, creating imaginative menus for the 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes in Writing and tackling challenging perimeter problems in Maths using their times tables and knowledge of polygons. In PE, they worked hard to develop their basketball skills through dribbling, passing, and teamwork. It has been a great week of learning and creativity all round.

Upper Key Stage Two Team

It has been a busy and exciting week in Year Five. The children have been crafting their own imaginative endings to a chapter from 'Percy Jackson', showing great creativity and growing confidence in their Writing. In Science, we have been exploring the stages of human life, discussing how our bodies change and develop from infancy through to adulthood. The children have shown curiosity and enthusiasm during our lessons, asking lots of great questions. In Maths, we have been strengthening our multiplication skills, learning how to multiply three-digit numbers by one-digit numbers using a range of efficient methods. The whole class has worked hard and shown real determination.

