

# Parents' Newsletter

Love, Respect, Honesty, Perseverance



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Dear Parents

Welcome to our final parents' newsletter of the half term. We have had a busy half term with many opportunities, such as "Learning Together" for you to be in school. These continue into the new term. Firstly with Parent Consultation Evenings and then with our DT event. We will be immersing ourselves in a major project most afternoons in all classes, learning new skills and re-visiting those used before to perfect our ability to plan, make and evaluate our creations. As with previous years we are asking for willing volunteers to support this work, so whether you can give half an hour, a day or even more please let class teachers know. The project will be a Christmas Themed "make" in time for the festive season. Teachers will have slots for parent volunteers to sign up to on their doors during Parent Consultations. The DT event runs from the 10<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> November.

As a Trust we have joined the Trussell Trust Partnership linked to the local foodbank. If you feel you may need access to the foodbank please do get in touch with school and we will be happy to support families who are struggling with a voucher application. Following our amazing collection of food for this charity if you are in need of accessing this support do please let me know and we can facilitate this for you.

Kind regards,

Bridgette Gough  
Headteacher

## Parent Consultation Evenings

As we approach the half term, we have lots to look forward to in the coming terms and much to celebrate in the way of children's achievements. We really hope you will all sign up for our Parent Consultation Evenings in the week following the half term break. This is an essential opportunity to share with you the latest assessments that will have taken place for children next week, and to discuss ways you can support your child going forward to make the most of the time ahead. This is also a time to discuss any concerns you may have and of course for us to let you know how additional interventions such as Thrive or academic extras are impacting upon your child. The lists will be out for sign up (at reception/on the playground) from after school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October. We hope for the February consultations to be able to offer an online booking system for your convenience as this is a capability within our new website provision.

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## PD Days for 26/27

We are pleased to inform you that the diary dates for the academic year 2026/2027 have now been established, including the Professional Development (PD) days. This advance notice aims to assist you in planning holidays outside of term time, which can often be a concern for families seeking to enjoy trips during quieter or cooler periods.

One significant feature of the upcoming academic calendar is the inclusion of two PD days scheduled adjacent to the summer half term. This arrangement will facilitate your ability to book holidays, both within the UK and abroad, during the warmer weather, ensuring that families can make the most of the summer months together.

The benefits of scheduling PD days in this manner cannot be overstated; improving attendance over the coming year and beyond remains high on the national and local education agenda. We are circulating the complete list of diary dates along with this newsletter, so please take a moment to review the attachment.

## Individual School Photos

A reminder that we have our photographer visiting on Monday 20th October for individual photos. If you have any pre-school siblings you would like the children to have a photo with please do come to the school office for 8.30 and these can be taken then. Any children with siblings at the school will have these taken during the school day.

## Headteacher's Cup

Joey Class:	W1- Alex
	W2- Mabel
Aardvark Class:	W1- Franky
	W2- Lewin
Giraffe Class:	W1-Bella
	W2- Isla W
Capybara Class:	W1- Logan
	W2- Clara
Koala Class:	W1- Gracie-Mai
	W2- Lucy
Jellyfish Class:	W1-Ava
	W2- George
Falcon Class:	W1- Sofia
	W2- Jessie



## Birthdays in October

Talia	Chloe
Juliette	Danniella
Jaxon	
Harley S-B	
Jace	
Layla	
Monty	
Agnes	
Willow	
Florence	
Myles	



## Going For Green

Mabel G & Daniella G-P

## Sports Cup

Raven & Chloe D

## Collective Worship

Last week, our focus was Harvest and we explored some great resources from the Trussell Trust and the story of the Boy who Shared his Sandwich – a simple interpretation of the feeding of the five thousand. We are sharing a photo of the wonderful backdrop to the Worship. The children shared work they had created and this was a lovely way of saying thanks as a school community.

This week, we focused upon our Learning for Life behaviour, Work Hard and Concentrate, exploring what it means to persevere. We shared the following children's literature over the week, Emmanuel's Dream and Mabel & the Mountain and saw how we could use the story of Noah to support our exploration. We shared the story in a Godly Play style, and this meant we could use our beautiful, knitted Ark resource. We hope the picture sparks the children's recollections.



## Harvest

Thank you for all of your donations. These have been gratefully received by the foodbank.

