



## Newsletter 9 January 13<sup>th</sup> 2026

Dear Parents

Happy New Year to you all! The children have all returned happy and are engaged in their new topics and learning. Thank you all for your efforts in getting the children in on time. The new timetable is working very well and only a couple of children have missed their learning at 8:50am. Please continue to ensure your children are in school by 8:40am at the very latest.

### Contact Information

As you know, it is very important that parents' contact details and other emergency contact numbers for your children are kept up to date. If any details change, especially mobile and work telephone numbers or any medical details, please inform us as soon as possible.

### Exciting news:

The work on the playground begins on Thursday, so over the next week you will see some noticeable differences! Once again, many thanks to you all for the wonderful fundraising efforts and supporting our different events. Huge thanks to Mrs Lavery for co-ordinating everything!

### Illness at School

Is my child too ill for school? The NHS has provided a new guide for parents/carers with details about childhood illnesses and when children can still attend school. There are links within the web page to more detailed information about each of the illness listed. Please follow this link: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

### Pupil Premium eligibility - help us to support your child

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals and a variety of other financial supports, and school receives additional funding to support your child's teaching and learning.

Please help us to claim this funding by contacting the Office if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits.

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

### Reminders:

Breakfast Club runs from **8:00am** each morning. Gates open at **8:30am** all children should be in by **8:40am** at the **VERY** latest. Please can children have coats in school? There are several children without water bottles, please can you ensure your child has a labelled water bottle? All uniform needs to be labelled.

## Book recommendations from Mr Hook!

Reading books is one of the keyways children learn and develop but we also foster a love of reading for pleasure. If you are looking for some inspiration for your children, why not try these books.

EYFS/KS1	Bluebirds	Eagles
<p>Chocolate Cake – Michael Rosen</p>  <p><i>When I was a boy, I had a favourite treat. It was when my mum made . . .</i></p> <p><b>CHOCOLATE CAKE!</b></p> <p><i>Ohhh! I LOVED chocolate cake.</i></p> <p>Fantastically funny and full of silly noises, this is Michael Rosen's love letter to every child's favourite treat, chocolate cake. Brought to life as a picture book for the first time with brilliant and characterful illustrations by Kevin Waldron.</p>	<p>Heard it in the Playground – Allan Ahlberg</p>  <p>Jump into Allan Ahlberg's playful world of poetry, perfect for primary school children.</p> <p>Shed a tear for The Boy Without A Name, discover the secrets to teachers (they NEVER leave the school!?) and try to solve the riddles of The Answer. Packed with rhythmic poetry and playful songs, this timeless collection has delighted children for generations.</p>	<p>Funky Chickens – Benjamin Zephaniah</p>  <p>Enter the crazy world of rap poet Benjamin Zephaniah! A reissue of the wonderfully irreverent collection of poetry for young people, touching on anything from vegetables to the Queen and from sewage to the sun. There's plenty of humour as well as poems on racism, pollution and the murder of a cat.</p>

<b>January</b>	<b>Value - Respect</b>
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	TGC Meeting @ 4pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Playground works begin Woodlands Meeting @ 3:30pm
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Open Afternoon @ 2:30pm
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Vision Screening
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	BB Trip to Ashmolean Museum
<b>February</b>	
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	History Guy WW2 Eagles
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Break up for Half Term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Term 4 begins Eagles leave for Woodlands
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Eagles return