

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome to our first newsletter of 2026.

I am pleased to share that the children have settled back into their learning routines remarkably well. Their enthusiasm and engagement have been wonderful to see as we begin the spring term.



Curriculum

A few photos of some of the children's learning from the first week. Computing in Year 2, Maths in Year 3 and Art in Year 5.



Also, in Year 5 French this week, the children were introduced to the tradition of *la Galette des Rois*, a celebration held in France every year on 6th January for Epiphany. The *galette* is a special cake containing a hidden charm, and the person who discovers it in their slice is crowned king or queen for the day. Thank you, Ms Duo, for baking a lovely cake.



Curriculum letters for parents

This term's curriculum letters, which include information about what the children are learning in each year group this term, can be found on the school website under the Curriculum – Curriculum overview tab. They can also be found using the following links below:

[EYFS](#)

[Year 1](#)

[Year 2](#)

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)



Maths morning

A reminder that we have a Maths morning for parents/carers on Friday 23rd January at 8:45am in the Hall. This will include a short presentation about maths fluency, information about the resources we use in school to support maths and an opportunity to visit classrooms to see maths in action. We look forward to seeing you at this event.

'What I wish my parents or carers knew..': A guide for parents/carers on managing children's digital lives

Parenting today can feel overwhelming — especially when childhood looks so different from what we grew up with. There's no manual, and it can be hard to keep up with the fast-changing digital world your child moves through every day. This free guide from Children's Commissioner, Rachel De Souza, aims to make those conversations easier and help you support your child with confidence. Click [here](#) for your free copy.



CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
15 th January	26 th January
22 nd January	2 nd February
29 th January	9 th February
12 th February	23 rd February
19 th February	2 nd March
26 th February	9 th March
5 th March	16 th March
12 th March	23 rd March

Diary Dates (new additions in bold)	
Mon 12 th January	School clubs start this week
Thursday 15 th January	Census Day
Tuesday 20 th January	KS1 Multiskills event
Thursday 22nd January	Y3 Swimming Starts
Friday 23 rd January	Maths open morning
Wed 28 th January	Y6 Indoor Athletics at Forest
Friday 30 th January	KS2 Benchball tournament
Friday 6 th February	Happy Holbrook
Wednesday 11 th Feb	Y5/6 Swimming Gala
Mon 16 th - Fri 20 th Feb	HALF TERM
Monday 23 rd February	Choir to O2 for Young Voices

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



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