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Latest News

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school. What a busy couple of weeks it has been already! Everyone has settled in so well, and it has been wonderful to see the children engaging so positively with their learning and routines.

This week has seen our school community considering their future careers, from scientists to a full medical team – your children had it covered! Thank you to the

PTFA for arranging a *comic workshop* and an *author visit* as part of our celebrations this week. We most certainly have some budding comic writers and story tellers in our school.



These experiences have sparked so much curiosity and inspiration among the children and have hopefully ignited some ideas for future aspirations.

We were also delighted to see the children's fantastic outfits for **World Book Day**. The excitement around books, characters and reading was wonderful to see, and the effort that families put into costumes really helped make the day special.



Over the last week, we have said a heartfelt goodbye to two much-valued members of our staff. We are incredibly grateful for the dedication, care, and enthusiasm they have brought to our school community, and for the positive impact they have had on both pupils and colleagues. We have put arrangements in place to backfill their roles and have begun the recruitment process to ensure continuity for our pupils. Although we are sad to see them leave, we are excited for the new opportunities that lie ahead for them. On behalf of the whole school, we wish Mrs Messham and Miss Benwell every success and happiness for the future.

Finally, a huge thank you to everyone who supported our recent school disco. It was wonderful to see the children enjoying themselves, and your enthusiasm and participation helped make the event such a success. We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the PTFA for organising the disco and for all the hard work that goes on behind the scenes. Events like these simply wouldn't happen without their commitment, creativity and teamwork, and we are incredibly grateful for everything they do for our school community.



Thank you once again for your continued support.

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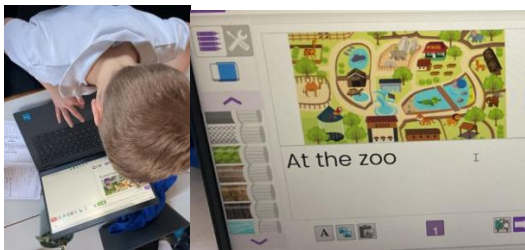
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Reception:



Reception children have been exploring length, comparing objects using words such as longer and shorter. The children were able to measure the length using cubes. They have also been immersing themselves in writing, using Fred talk to independently write within their learning environments, indoor and outdoor.

Year 1:



This term, our Year 1 children have embarked on an exciting journey into the world of e-books! They have been learning how to navigate digital stories and understand the basics of creating their own. With enthusiasm and creativity, the children had a go at designing their very own e-books, bringing their imaginative ideas to life.

Year 2



In R.E, Year 2 have been learning about Holy Week. We have been looking at Palm Sunday and the importance of the Last Supper. We imaged what it would have felt like to be at the Last Supper with Jesus.

Year 3

Year 3 have been diving deeper into fractions this week! Pupils have been comparing and ordering non-unit fractions, as well as identifying the numerator and understanding its role in the value of a



fraction. They have also been exploring when fractions are equivalent to a whole, using practical models and reasoning to explain their ideas.

Year 4



Year 4 pupils have been busy in gymnastics this week! They have been focusing on controlling their movements and developing their balance and coordination. The children worked hard practising a range of different rolls, including

forward rolls, backward rolls, and handstand rolls. It was fantastic to see their confidence grow as they challenged themselves, supported one another, and refined their techniques.

Year 5

In PE, Year 5 have been learning and playing *rounders*. Before moving into full game situations, the children focused on developing key motor skills—



particularly accurate throwing and confident catching. Alongside physical skills, they have also been working hard to apply the teamwork skills we have developed throughout the year. Children have been encouraged to communicate clearly, support one another, and work cooperatively to succeed as a team during gameplay.

Year 6

This week year 6 have been working hard with learning about shape in maths in particular finding areas of triangles. In science we are learning about invertebrates. In English we spent time gathering ideas for our independent write about the Knit-o-Matic they are explaining.



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In the news this Week



Brynteg School in Wales has said that from September, skirts will no longer be part of the school uniform instead all children wear trousers or shorts. The school says this will make their uniform more practical and fairer for everyone but some parents and people have different opinions about the change. This announcement has added to discussions about school rules, fairness and whether uniforms should be the same for all children.

Things to talk about at home

Talk to someone older at home about your and their experiences of school uniform.

- How have they changed over time?
- Do you feel they are positive changes?
- If you could create your own uniform what would it look like?



Children across all 18 Learning Academies Trust schools are battling it out in the exciting Battle of the Bands, racing to become the next Times Tables Champions! It's still early days, which means every game played can make a real difference to the leaderboard. Encourage your children to jump in, have fun, and keep practising their times tables to help their school climb to the top. Every little bit of effort counts—let's keep the momentum going!

Thank you for your continued support.

Celebrating Achievement

Congratulations to Maya attended her first Feis in Swindon, for her Irish Dancing.



After only starting her dancing in October, she has done amazingly well and received 2nd place for her Reel, Light Jig, and her Premiership entry, winning herself 2 medals and a trophy.

We love celebrating all the amazing activities our pupils get up to outside of school, If your child is involved in any kind of hobby or activity, from football and gymnastics to playing a musical instrument, dancing, or even building with LEGO, please send a short description and a picture of them in action to the admin team.

This is a fantastic way to celebrate the children's hard work, passion, and dedication.

Please remember: We cannot publish any photos that include other children. If you send in a photo, please make sure only your child is visible.

Thank you for your help in celebrating all of our stars!

National Year of Reading

Start with what young people love

The National Year of Reading encourages families and schools to use pupils' passions—football, music, gaming, nature, fashion and more—to spark a love of reading. When children see that reading connects with their interests, their motivation grows naturally.

Reading is more than books

Reading includes stories, ideas and information in print, digital and audio forms—graphic novels, lyrics, articles, podcasts and games all count. For babies and young children, reading is found in simple shared moments: turning pages, talking, singing, listening and being together.

The National Year of Reading recognises that reading begins early and looks different for every family. Small, repeated moments help children build early connections with words and stories—and it's never too early to start.

Follow the links below to learn more

[Families](#) | [National Year of Reading 2026](#) | [Go All In](#)

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Keller	Sana
Nightingale	Bonnie
Potter	Otis
Rosen	Harryn
Astor	Femi
Coleman	Connie
Pankhurst	Olive
Scott	Ruby
Attenborough	Caben
Curie	Louiza
Turing	Bea
Hawking	Harrison
Gandhi	Alex
Anning	Ferdousi
Mandela	India H
Tubman	Lottie
Douglass	Sharon
King	Nikita
Seacole	Harper

Nominations for being a Kind Learner

Keller	Sidney
Nightingale	Jayla
Potter	Mary
Rosen	Chigozirim
Astor	Aubrey
Coleman	Zachary
Pankhurst	Sherrie
Scott	Lottie
Attenborough	Emily
Curie	Teddy
Turing	Penelope
Hawking	Jeshive
Gandhi	Zoe
Anning	Arthur
Mandela	Bailey
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