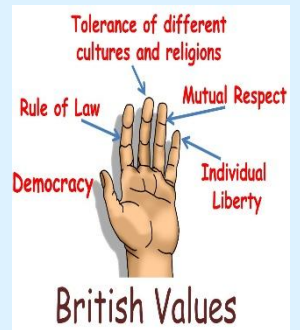




A note from Mrs Beardsley

This week we have had a special visitor from the Local Authority who has been celebrating our work with the children in supporting Diversity, Equality, Inclusion and Belonging. They were thrilled with how well the children were able to share how inclusive we were and how children showed exceptional respect and care for everyone within and beyond our school community. The children confidently talked about how we have special rules called 'British Values' and why these are important. They also talked about how we care and look after each other, especially considering the 'protected characteristics'. Well done to our wonderful children and staff!

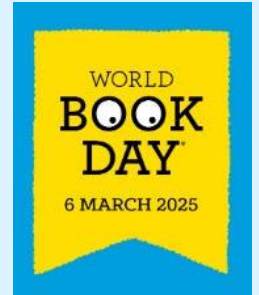


Parents Evening

You all should have received an invite email to parents evening bookings are now open until Monday 9th February. Any problems please see class teacher.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

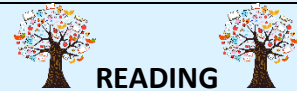
We will be celebrating the love of books. Please come along to school dressed as a book character OR wearing your pyjama's to 'snuggle up with a good book.' You are invited to bring your favourite book to share at reading morning.



Parent Questionnaire

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our up and coming parents' evenings. The children are all progressing so well, we hope you agree!

Our Governors have asked that all parents complete a parent questionnaire. This is completed each year and gives us an opportunity to see what we are doing well and reflect on improvements that can be made. We would be very grateful if you could complete this. Please scan the QR code. Thank you.



READING

We are welcoming back the book fair from Tuesday 10th to Thursday 12th February, from 3.30pm each day. Please come along and see which new books are on offer this term. You can pay by card, QR code (you will need card or bank details for this) or with the correct change. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Safer internet day – 10th February

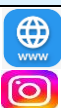
In our ever changing digital world, skills to recognise the potential risks and staying safe online are essential. We will be promoting safer internet day on 10th February through homework tasks and discussions. Should you require any information about please visit our website or speak to a member of the team. [William Lilley Website Internet safety support for parents](#)



- **Attendance Matters** Children who arrive late at school can feel embarrassed, uncomfortable and confused walking into a classroom late.
- They can miss out on introductions, important learning and social time.
- Lateness disrupts the learning and routines for everyone.
- Punctuality is an important life skill.
- Being on time is important for children to start the day off calmly; being late can lead children to being unsettled and can affect their behavior and concentration. Being on time maximises the amount of learning time.



What a great time we had at our Valentine disco lots of fun games and dancing. Bookings are now live for after half term wraparound care via the schoolmoney app.



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Calendar 2025-2026

Date	Event	Time	Who?
Wednesday 11th February	Ice Skating	pm	Y1
Wednesday 11th 25th February	Martial Arts	pm	Y2
Tuesday 10th February	Parents Evening	15.30-17.00	Puffins
Wednesday 11th February	Parents Evening	15.30-19.00	Ladybirds Butterflies Kingfishers Flamingos
Wednesday 12th February	Parents Evening	14.00 -15.00	Busy Bees Yellow
Thursday 12th February	Parents Evening	15.30-17.00	Butterflies Kingfishers Flamingos
Thursday 12th February	Parents Evening	15.30-16.30	Caterpillars
Thursday 12th February	Parents Evening	15.30-18.00	Puffins Ladybirds
Thursday 12th February	Parents Evening	15.00-16.30	Busy Bees Yellow
11th-13th February	Book Fair	15.15	Whole school
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day	All Day	Whole school

Half-Term : Monday 16th February- Friday 20th February

INSET Day Monday 23 February

SCHOOL REOPENS: Tuesday 24th February

Early Years Foundation Stage (2 Year olds, F1 and F2)



We have had another busy and enjoyable week in Reception, with the children showing great enthusiasm and engagement in their learning.

In our Talk for Writing sessions, we have been focusing on retelling The Jolly Postman story using actions. The children have loved learning the story in this interactive way, using actions to help them remember key events and language. This has supported the children's listening skills and ability to retell the story in the correct sequence and it has been lovely to see how excited they are to share the story together.

In Maths, we have been working on growing number 6. The children explored different ways to make 6 using practical resources such as cubes and counters. They have been learning to recognise the number, understand its value and talk about the different combinations that make 6. Many children are becoming more confident explaining their thinking and showing their understanding in different ways.

As part of our topic learning, we have been exploring the important role of firefighters. The children have learned about how firefighters help people in our community and keep us safe. They have enjoyed discussions about fire safety; the equipment firefighters use and the different ways they support others. This has sparked lots of curiosity and thoughtful questions from the children.

We are very proud of the children's hard work and positive attitudes this week. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to another exciting week of learning ahead.

In Busy Bees, we have had a brilliant week. The children are following the rules and routines really well and starting to take more ownership of their belongings. Keep working on this with them at home it is really helping!

In phonics, we have made busy bands and played pass the box- thinking about the sounds different materials make. In maths, the children have been exploring amounts up to 5 and thinking of ways they can count the different objects.

In creative Caterpillars the children have shown great efforts with their communication and language skills. We are really proud to see how much their language and interaction skills have improved across their time in nursery so far.

Fire fighter visit!

On Monday 9th February we are hoping to have the fire engine come to school! They will be coming in the afternoon. If your child comes to school in the morning you are very welcome to bring them back and stay with them for the visit. More information will be sent via dojo.

WOW Wednesday!

Each Wednesday we have a new collection of objects to look at- this is to encourage the children to use new vocabulary. It is very popular and we look forward to a Wednesday. We have already looked at spoons, teapots and mugs. If you have anything at home that you would be willing to donate for WOW Wednesday we would be very grateful. The next collections we are creating are: things that are black and white, objects inside objects e.g. snow globes, ships in bottles, rubix cubes and other retro toys, mirrors. The more out there the better it's great to see the fascination on the children's faces.

Key Stage One (Year 1 and 2)



What a busy week we have had in KS1!

We have been writing our own portal stories based on The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. We all wrote five paragraphs over the week and are so proud of our descriptive stories.



Next week in English we will be writing diary entries whilst pretending to be Lucy! We will be using the skills we have learnt about adjectives and conjunctions in our writing.

In our topic lessons next week we will also be learning about different types of plants and trees. We will be naming them and naming their parts.

In Maths next week, Year 1 will be finding missing numbers and using number sentences to complete addition calculations. In Year 2, the children will be learning more about division calculations and the different methods used to solve them.

We look forward to seeing you at parents' evening next week. Please contact your class teacher if you have not yet booked an appointment. We are looking forward to talking about all of the wonderful things your child has done so far in Key Stage One.

Final ice skating and martial arts sessions will be taking place next week. The children have done so well in learning their new skills.