



A note from Mrs Beardsley

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a relaxing and enjoyable half term holiday. The children have had an excellent return to school, engaging with enthusiasm with their new term topics. Please take a look at the class pages for more information. It was great to see so many families at parents evening before the half term break. We are thrilled with how each child is thriving and excelling in their learning and development. If you have not managed to meet your child's class teacher, please get in touch as we would love to share your child's progress with you. Please ensure that you have returned your parents evening feedback sheets. Your feedback is important to us. Many thanks.

Afterschool clubs

A reminder there is afterschool clubs starting w/c 10th March and running for 4 weeks



- Mondays Nature Club with Mr Amjed**
- Tuesdays Journaling with Mrs Belcher**
- Thursday Basketball Club with Mr Dillon (Sports coach)**

Bookings can be made via the Schoolmoney app

School Photos

Don't forget school photos will take place on:

WEDNESDAY 5th March 2025

They will be photographing the following:
Class Groups, Leavers Groups, Leavers
Individuals and Graduations



Please ensure full uniform is worn. Parents will receive free proofs of every image and the option to make a purchase.

Reindeer Dash

Together, you all raised an outstanding **£482.00!**



Thank you for being such an important part of this fundraising appeal.

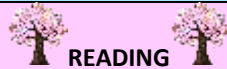
By taking part in our annual Reindeer Dash, you've helped fund counselling sessions for bereaved children and young people.

Ice Skating and Martial Arts

A huge congratulations to our Year 1 children. They have shown so much determination and perseverance and all learned to ice-skate. Well done, you have made everyone proud! A short video of their achievements will be shared with Year 1 parents via the Class Dojo App.

Our Year 2 children have also had a great achievement. They have each collected their first Martial Arts belt! The children and staff alike were thrilled with this accomplishment.

Martial Arts and Ice-skating sessions have now finished within school for another year. Further details on ice skating sessions are available from the Nottingham Ice Arena by visiting <https://national-ice-centre.com/> If you would like your child to continue developing their martial arts talents, please speak to a member of staff for details of our Martial Arts teachers' local clubs.



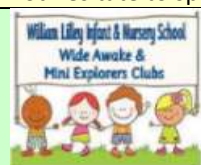
We are inviting children to dress up for **World Book Day on Thursday 6th March**. They could choose to wear the costume of a character from their favourite book or their pyjamas to 'snuggle up with a book'! The children will take part in activities throughout the day, including bringing in their favourite bedtime story to read during reading morning on that day...more details to follow soon.

Attendance Matters

Thank you for supporting your child to be an Attendance Hero! As outlined in our Attendance Policy, we rigorously monitor individual, group and whole school attendance. Each day, we take a register at the beginning of the morning and afternoon session and we follow procedures to identify avenues of support for non-attendance. We have 4 attendance colour thresholds which are applied in consideration of highly individual contexts:

GREEN Your child may have absences, but they are not of a concern.	AMBER Your child's attendance and/or punctuality is concerning and the school will be working to support you.	RED Your child has absence and/or punctuality rates that are concerning over a prolonged period. School will be working with you to improve attendance and a referral may be made to access support from the Local Authority Education and Attendance Team.	BURGUNDY School will be working with you to ensure that support is accessed and in some cases, the school may engage with the Local Authority's processes for pursuing legal interventions.
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You will shortly receive an update regarding your child's current level through our colour system - please look out for communication from us. In the meantime, should you have any questions, or require support with your child's attendance or anything else, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.



We hope you all have had a lovely break it has been lovely to welcome all the children back. Next week we will be celebrating pancake day why not come and join the fun and try some delicious pancakes!
We are looking for any fancy dress outfits for our dress up area any donations would be greatly received. Thank you!





**Calendar
2024-2025**

Date	Event	Time	Who?
Every Thursday	Reading morning	8.35-8.55am	Whole school
Wednesday 5th March	Class photos	All day	Whole school
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day	All day	Whole school
Friday 21st March	Red Nose Day	All Day	Whole school
Thursday 10th July-Friday 11th July	Woodlands Residential	All day	Year 2

**Easter Holiday : Monday 7th April- Friday 18th April
Bank Holiday Monday 21st April
School reopens Tuesday 22nd April**

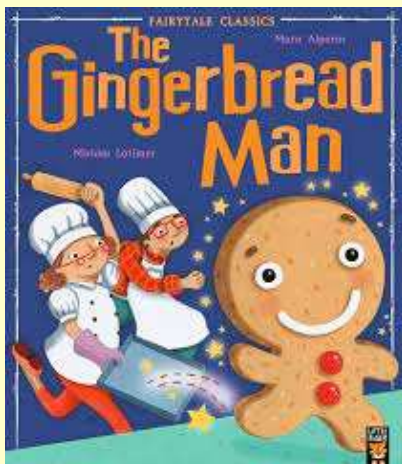
Year Group News

Nursery



The children have come back brilliantly after the holidays. We have really enjoyed looking for signs of spring in the outdoor environment. The children have a great understanding of how the weather and plants change over time.

This week we have started our new topic, 'Traditional Tales'. We started with our own version of 'The Three Little Pigs'. Look out for a copy of our story and story map as they have been sent home this week. The children have been fantastic at joining in and retelling the story. Next week, the children will be changing the story and creating our own version.



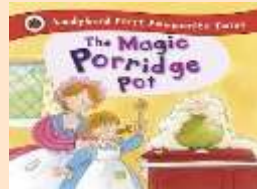
Next week, we will be reading 'The Gingerbread Man'. We will focus on acting out the story using masks. We will also be baking our own gingerbread men.



Reception



This week we have started our new topic 'Once upon a time' which is based around tradition tales. We have started this topic with the story of the magic porridge pot. The children have enjoyed reading the story and creating a story mountain using the story vocabulary 'Once upon a time', 'Unfortunately' and 'Luckily'. This story will also be the focus of our Talk for Writing work over the next few weeks. We also explored the characteristics of a traditional story eg. often set in a woods, often beginning with 'once upon a time' and often having repeated phrases in them.



In maths we enjoyed measuring the height and length a range of objects as well as collecting data from our friends and recording it in a tally chart such as favourite colours or fruit.

Next week we will be creating our whole class story map of 'The Magic Porridge Pot' which we will be sending home on Friday. We will also be exploring the traditional story of 'Jack and the beanstalk' as well as other traditional tales.

In maths we will be learning all about the number 9 as well as how to subtract one number from another. We will also be using maps to locate England in the UK and locate the UK on a world map.



Key Stage One



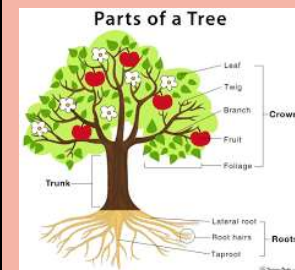
We've had a fantastic first week back in Key Stage One! The children have been excited to start our new topic, **Rumble in the Jungle**. This week, they took a virtual journey through a rainforest, discovering the incredible animals that live there and learning about the unique climate.

In Geography, we explored the differences between human and physical features in the jungle. The children did a fantastic job recalling what these features are before



applying their knowledge to identify them within a jungle setting

Next week in topic, children will learn about the different parts of trees, plants and flowers. We will also explore what plants need to stay healthy, such as



sunlight, water and soil.

In Maths next week Year One will be looking at subtraction within 20. Year Two will learn about time, before moving on to position and direction.

In English, we have started our new story of 'Where the Wild Things Are'. Next week, we will work together as a class to innovate the story and we can't wait to see all the creative changes the children come up with!



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Broxtowe Family Hub Launch

Come and join us for the launch of your local Family Hubs as well as meeting our valued partners.

Wednesday 5th March at Chilwell Family Hub
(NG9 4HQ) - 1:30-3pm.

Thursday 13th March at Eastwood Family Hub
(NG16 3HB) - 1:30-3pm.

There will be a range of children's activities on offer during the event as we also celebrate World Book Day!
We look forward to seeing you there.



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