



Weekly Newsletter

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Car Parking Issues

Once again, our neighbours on Coniston Avenue, Withycombe Road and Bideford Road have contacted the school office to complain about parking. They have sent us photographic evidence of parents parking cars over driveway entrances or parked in a way that limits access.



We would ask our parents to park with consideration as residents have already approached the local police for advice.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to:

Reception: Romeo

Year 1: Chung Him

Year 2: Flossie

Year 3: Dennis

Year 4: Jonas

Year 5: Hayden

Year 6: Sophie



ATTENDANCE



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98.3%	92.9%	98.8%	96.4%	93.9%	87.6%	94.3%

OUR LEARNING

In Reception...

This week in Reception, we have been having fun exploring a new way to practise our handwriting! Using 'flipper flappers' and some energetic dance moves, we have been strengthening our muscles and improving coordination while learning. In Literacy, we have been reading the non-fiction book '*Hello Penguin*' and discovering fascinating facts about penguins. Ask us what a baby penguin is called - we'll be excited to tell you! In *MyHappyMind*, we focused on gratitude and our unique superpower character strengths. We enjoyed discussing how everyone has different superpowers that make us special and one-of-a-kind. In Maths, we have been hiding 'Froggy' and using spatial vocabulary to describe where to find him!

In Year 1... We have had another fun week in Year 1! In Art, we created paintings based on the works of Pieter Bruegel. We used water colours as the background, and painted trees in the foreground. In Maths, we have been completing missing number sequences up to 20, as well as finding one more and one less to 20. In our History work, we considered what factors caused the Great Fire of London to spread so quickly across the city. We were shocked to learn that back in 1666, there was no fire brigade to help!

In Year 2... Year 2 have worked so hard on their addition and subtraction unit and have listened incredibly well. They have presented their working out beautifully! In English, we have written our own versions of 'The Bog Baby' story and created some amazing illustrations too! In PSHE, we discussed the things that we use money for and thought about how we can get our own money. In PE, we worked on our jumping and landing skills!

In Year 3... This week in Year 3, we have worked hard in our Maths lessons learning our times tables and focusing on the commutative and inverse laws! In English, we have gathered information about waterfalls and rivers and analysed example text in preparation for writing our information leaflets, using sentences containing technical vocabulary. In Reading, we have thoroughly enjoyed our text, 'The Anthology of Intriguing Animals' and learning all about the fabulous creatures on our earth!

In Year 4... This week has, once again, been very busy in Year 4. We started the week by receiving a very urgent letter from the Ancient Guild of Monster Hunters, requesting our help in creating some new guides to hunting monsters as theirs had been lost in a fire. Of course we agreed to help! Our focus in Maths continues to be times tables and we are blowing Mrs Clarke's socks off with our quick recall of facts! In History, we have been learning all about the rebel Boudicca and her fight against the Romans and in Science, we have continued to create electrical circuits, but this week we included a switch so we could control when the bulb was lit.

In Year 5... This week, Year 5 have worked incredibly hard in Maths, looking at short division, impressing our teachers yet again with our resilience and perseverance. We have loved welcoming Miss Silver back and showing her how much we have matured! In Art, we have looked at Pointillism and learnt about the significance of 'The Night of Power' for Muslims in RE.

In Year 6... In Maths, the children have been adding and subtracting fractions, including mixed number fractions, different denominators and simplifying their answers. We have focused on using clear methods, checking for lowest common multiple denominators, and explaining our reasoning to deepen our understanding. In English, we explored how authors create vivid settings and characters by carefully choosing their words. The class practised using synonyms and antonyms to add contrast and cohesion to their descriptions, helping their writing flow more smoothly while making details more engaging for the reader. We were impressed by the thoughtful vocabulary choices many pupils made in their independent writing.



OTHER AWARDS



Congratulations to:

- **Incredible Dancers**; **Sophia, Esmea and Emily** (Stars of the Week from Abigail Barlow Dance Academy).
- **Amazing Gymnasts**; **Elsie** ('I Rang the Bell' certificate for Front Handspring and 5C's Programme for Concentration from Warrington Gymnastics Club), **Natasha** (Star of the Week from Gymfinity), **Georgia** (5C's certificate for Confidence from Warrington Gymnastics Club) and **Charlotte**, who received a special certificate for positivity from The Wire GC.
- **Fantastic Footballers and Rugby Players**; **Hugo** (Player of the Match from Matthiola JFC), **Francis** (Trainer of the Week from Eagle JFC), **Johan** (Parents Player of the Match from Eagle Barcelona), **Sofia** (Top Tackler trophy from Crosfields JFC), **Ellis** (Man of the Match from Rylands JFC) and **Eddie**, who was presented with a trophy for attending his first football training session!
- **Super Swimmers**; **Nyla** (Learn to Swim Level 2 certificate and badge), **Kaiful** (Learn to Swim Level 7), **Oliver** (Water Skills Level 4), **Logan** (3 x Bronze medals from the Cheshire County Water Polo and Swimming Association Event).



Mega Mathematicians



Rec: Eleanor

Year 4: James L.

Year 1: Bonnie

Year 5: Logan

Year 2: Zayaan

Year 6: Isabella

Year 3: James C.



REMARKABLE READERS



Rec: Isla

Year 4: Marcella

Year 1: Grace

Year 5: Nancy

Year 2: Ibrahim

Year 6: Jeremy

Year 3: Harry



LUNCH MENU W/C 02/02/26

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pizza, Potato Wedges with Sweetcorn and Salad Cooks Choice Dessert	Chicken Curry with Rice Cheese & Ham or Cheese Wrap with Diced Potatoes and Vegetables Fresh Fruit Salad or Yogurt	Beef or Vegetarian Bolognaise with Spaghetti and Peas Cheese Wrap, Sautéed Potatoes, Sweetcorn and Salad Cooks Choice Dessert	Oven Baked Battered Fish or Chicken Goujons with Chips and Peas or Baked Beans Cooks Choice Biscuit	Pasta Bake served with Vegetables Jacket Potato with various fillings Raspberry Jelly and Fruit

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 3rd – Friday 6th February: Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 3rd February: Y2, Y5 & Y6 NSPCC Workshops

Tuesday 10th February: Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 11th February: Lunar New Year Workshops

Friday 13th February: Year 4 Roman Dress Up Day

Friday 13th February: PTFA Valentine Event, more information to follow

Friday 13th February: School Closes 3.20pm