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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see another busy week in school and, as always, thank you for your continued support. We have a few important reminders this week, particularly around keeping our children safe and healthy.

Parking and Driving Safely – Another Plea

Unfortunately, we are still seeing some unsafe parking and driving around school at drop-off and collection times. We have spoken about this before, but some drivers are continuing to park irresponsibly, reverse in busy areas, drive too quickly or stop where children and families are crossing. **This is putting children at risk.**

We completely understand that mornings and afternoons are busy and that everyone wants to get as close to school as possible, but no parking space is worth risking a child's safety.

Please help us by:

- parking legally and considerately;
- keeping entrances, junctions and crossing points clear;
- driving very slowly around school;
- taking extra care when reversing;
- parking a little further away and walking where possible.

Please, please take this seriously. We need everyone to play their part in keeping our children safe.

Head Lice – Please Check

We have had reports of head lice in school, so we are asking all families to check everyone's hair and ensure that they treat their child's hair and the whole family if needed.

Head lice are extremely common in primary-aged children and are not linked to dirty hair or poor hygiene. They spread mainly through close head-to-head contact. The only way to be certain that someone has head lice is to find a live louse. [nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk)

Please make this week a **whole-family checking week**:

- Use a proper fine-toothed detection or nit comb.
- Check carefully from the roots through to the ends of the hair.
- If live lice are found, check everyone else in the household and treat anyone who also has them on the same day.
- Wet combing using ordinary shampoo, plenty of conditioner and a detection comb is one recommended method.
- Medicated lotions or sprays are also available from pharmacies if required; please follow the instructions carefully.

NHS guidance recommends not using medicated treatments simply as a preventative measure where no live lice have been found. [nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk) Children do not need to stay away from school because of head lice, but prompt checking and treatment will really help us reduce the amount circulating between families. [nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk)

If we could all check it gives us the best chance of breaking the cycle.

🤢 Sickness and Diarrhoea – The 48-Hour Rule

A reminder that if your child has vomiting or diarrhoea, they must remain away from school until 48 hours after their last episode. [nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk) For example, if your child is last sick at 6pm on Monday, the earliest they should return is after 6pm on Wednesday, meaning a return to school on Thursday morning. This is important even if your child appears completely well the following day. Bugs which cause sickness and diarrhoea can spread very easily, and returning too soon can result in infection passing rapidly through a class, affecting other children, families and staff. Good handwashing with soap and water is also particularly important.

Thank you for helping us protect the whole school community.

📖 From Mrs Mawdsley – Choose a Book, Keep a Book

We are excited to share our new reading initiative with you!

Choose a Book, Keep a Book is based just inside our main entrance at school and gives children the opportunity to help themselves to a book which they can take home and keep. The area has been set up to give our children even greater access to a range of books and, most importantly, to help develop their enjoyment and love of reading.

There is no need to return the book – if your child chooses one, it is theirs to enjoy at home.

We would also love families to help us keep the shelves stocked. If you have any good-quality children's books that your family has finished with, we would be very grateful for donations. These can be dropped off at the school office.

A huge thank you to Mrs Mawdsley for developing this lovely initiative. We hope lots of our children will enjoy choosing a new book and taking it home to treasure.

Choose a book. Keep a book. Enjoy a book. 📖



Stars of the week

Nursery	Sofia Stefan for making a super family tree
Reception Mrs Clowes	Jamal Bojang for always following instructions
Reception Mrs Nixon	Roman Antonio for a super week of learning
1M	Louie Sinclair for amazing handwriting
2M	Romy Harper for always having a superb attitude towards her learning
2R	Isabelle Shaw for always trying her hardest
3P	Liliana Makowska for demonstrating excellent independent reading and writing skills
3R	Leah Shaugnessy Corrin for participating in lessons
4B	Olivia Pitchers for giving 100% effort in everything she does
4K	Evie Hastings for always having a wonderful attitude towards her learning
5B	Ruby Sargeant for showcasing an excellent love of reading both in the classroom and around school
5S	Felicity Green for great effort and focus all week
6C	Lottie Cope for maturity, resilience and being a role model to others
6S	Max Harper for an excellent interview technique: very confident
PE	
KS1	Fletcher Teichmann for showing super awareness skills

LKS2 Ady Florea for trying his best and showing resilience
 UKS2 Oscar Sidebottom for a fab effort to improve his racket skills

Reading Reward - £5 = Aiyden Kureya
 Good to be Green Reward - £10 = No one (next week: £20 rollover)

Head Teacher's Stars

NURSERY Olivia Kryzstoforska for super imaginative play
 RECEPTION Lucas Beniston for being the best he can be
 KS1 Maya Perickathara for a positive attitude towards her learning
 LKS2 Elsie Podmore for a positive attitude towards her learning
 UKS2 Fatima Ozsevgec for a positive attitude towards her learning

Attendance

Attendance best classes this week: 4B & 5B = 99%
 Well done to Reception Clowes, 2L, 3P and 3R who are above 96%
 Whole school attendance for the week is 94%

Team of the Week		Team of the Term, so far	
R	2,286	R	5,681
Y	2,163	Y	5,602
G	2,305	G	5,733
B	2,212	B	5,614

A reminder term dates

 Term Dates 2026/27

Please make a note of the main holiday dates for this academic year.

Autumn Term

Half Term

We break up for half term Friday 23rd October 2026

Children return to school Tuesday 3rd November 2026

Christmas Holiday

We break up for Christmas Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term

Spring Term begins Monday 4 January 2027

Half term

We break up for half term on Friday 12th February 2027

We return Monday 22nd February 2027

We break up for the Easter Holiday Thursday 25th March 2027

Summer Term

Summer Term begins

Monday 12 April 2027

May Day Bank Holiday - Monday 3 May 2027

We break up for half term Thursday 27th May

We return to school Tuesday 8th June

Summer Term ends Friday 16th July

Thank you for your continued support
 Diane Beardsmore