

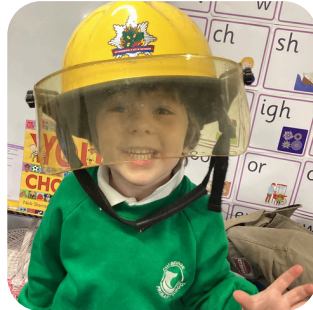


Newsletter

Friday 31st January 2025



Miss Burrows' Class



Our new books arrived this week. We were able to purchase these with funds raised from our bake sale before Christmas - Thank you to everyone who supported us with this. We have loved reading these and sharing our ideas and imaginations with our friends! This week we sent home a letter regarding reading diaries and helping promote your child's love for reading. We hope this has been helpful and we are looking forward to seeing all of the wonderful comments in the children's reading dairies. We have met 2 real superheroes this week, one being the Air Ambulance team in our whole school assembly and the other being a firefighter - we even got to try on the different helmets!

Mrs Southam's Class



This week year 1's have been exploring a range of toys in History, trying to find the similarities and differences between modern and old toys. They discovered that a lot of toys from the past can still be bought today, but the materials that they are made from have changed and the colours are brighter.

In Science, the children explored their senses of sight and smell. They tested a range of foods to decide whether they looked appealing or not, and whether they had a sweet or sour smell. The garlic slices stayed with us for the rest of the day!

Miss Laverick's Class

In Year 2 and 3 this week, the children showed excellence when making their Ancient Egyptian modern day style papyrus. We had great fun linking our Art work to our personal lives, as well as making 'zines' which are mini books used by Artists, in our case to showcase something we've learnt regarding Ancient Egyptian scrolls. In English, we've been learning about how to write a set of instructions. As a part of one of our lessons, we had to give Mrs Phipps instructions on how to make a jam sandwich and she did, exactly as we said! It was funny, but it made sure that our steps in our instructions were clearly thought out and well sequenced.





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Upcoming Dates

- 5th February - Year 1 Phonics Lesson 2.30pm
- 11th-13th February - Parents' Evenings
- 14th February - Last day of term
- 17th - 21st February - Half term break
- 24th February - School opens to pupils
- 27th February - Individual and class photographs (further details to follow)
- 6th March - World Book Day (further details to follow)

Staffing

We are delighted to be welcoming 3 new members of staff to our team: Michelle Gillham is our new office administrator working on Thursdays and Fridays, Michael Smith is joining us on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays as our premises officer and Tonicha Harris will be working as a Special Educational Needs Learning Support Assistant every morning.

Year One Phonics Lesson

Parents/Carers of children in year one are invited to join us at 2.30pm on Wednesday 5th February for a phonics lesson. This provides the opportunity for you to learn skills to help your child with their phonics learning at home. Please book via the school office.

Air Ambulance Assembly



We were lucky enough to be visited by the air ambulance last week. They came in to tell us about the amazing work that they do to support our community. Their critical care paramedics, doctors and pilots attend an average of 10 rescue missions per day. If you would like to find out more about how to support this service, please follow the link below:

[Air Ambulance](#)

Term Dates

Spring Term 2025

Teacher training day: Monday 6th January 2025

School opens: Tuesday 7th January 2025

Half term break: Monday 17th - Friday 21st February 2025

Schools closes: Friday 11th April 2025

Summer Term 2025

Schools opens: Monday 28th April 2025

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May 2025

Half term break: Monday 26th - Friday 30th May 2025

Schools closes: Thursday 10th July 2025

School Clubs

The next block of Multi-Sport Club sessions are now available to book via the Gateway app, which will begin after the February half term. The next block shall run Friday 28th February - Friday 11th April inclusive.

After the half term break, there shall be a food making club which will be held after school. More details shall follow in due course.

If you believe you are eligible for Pupil Premium funding, please do let the school office know, prior to making your bookings for clubs.

Punctuality

Thank you for your support in ensuring your children arrive on time to help with a calm and settled start to the day.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings are being held Tuesday 11th - Thursday 13th February. If you have not yet booked your place and wish to do so, please contact the school office.

