



Newsletter

Friday 7th November 2025



Miss Burrow's Class



In Reception, we have been learning about different celebrations including Diwali, Halloween and Bonfire night. Our children loved exploring the pumpkins in the role play area and used lots of vocabulary to describe what they could feel and smell. They have also learnt lots about keeping safe whilst having fun during Halloween and Bonfire night.

Our children have made some lovely Diya lamps, which they are looking forward to showing you at the sharing assembly. The children continue to amaze us with their fantastic phonics skills. Thank you for your help with supporting this at home

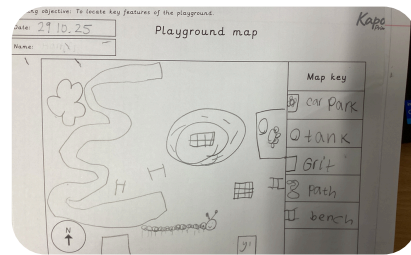


Mrs Southam's Class

In year one we have started to do whole class reading. In these lessons we use a text for a week and learn skills like retrieval and inference. We expand our vocabulary by learning the meaning of words we have never heard before. We have been using choral and echo reading to read together, the children are great at it and should be able to show you what to do at home! This week's text has been the Bug chant by Tony Mitton.

In science we are starting to do some investigations to find out how everyday materials behave. We are looking at what materials are suitable for different purposes and we have been material detectives around the school. In our investigations we are starting to make predictions and collect results.

Our Geography has been great fun, our fieldwork is all about our school. We have been using aerial maps and have found it really interesting finding places we know. When we have drawn our own maps of the playground we had to include symbols and a key.



Miss Laverick's Class



Year 2 have been working hard on writing their character descriptions of an alien, based on the story 'Look Up!'. During black history month, we've learnt about some incredible people and the difference they've made, such as Mae Jemison, Rosa Parks and Sir Marcus Rashford.

I am very proud of their resilience when completing tricky addition and subtraction problems.

We also had a wonderful time in our Diwali workshop, which links to our learning in R.E about how lights are used in different festivals.

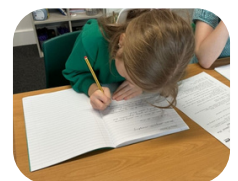
Mrs Bott's Class



So far this term, we have been learning about why rainforests are important to us in our Geography lessons. The children have particularly enjoyed learning about the world's different biomes, where the Amazon rainforest is located, the different layers of the rainforest, the animals and plants that can be found there and how indigenous peoples rely on and use the rainforest. This week, we have learnt about deforestation; the reasons for it and the devastating impact it can have. Because of this, the children wrote a letter to the Brazilian President to inform him of the importance of the Amazon rainforest and what could be done to help protect it.

This has tied in well to our Dance unit in PE, which has been focused on the Amazon rainforest too. We have been learning to develop our interpretive dance skills, taking inspiration from different features of rainforests around the world.

They have worked hard to put together dance actions to form movement phrases. Well done Year 3 & 4!





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Upcoming Dates

Wednesday 12th November - Reception
Class Sharing Assembly 2.45

Monday 10th November - Odd Socks Day
(Anti Bullying Week)

Friday 14th November - Children In Need
Day

Wednesday 19th November- Bushcraft
Session

Thursday 20th November - Bake Sale.
Details to follow

Wednesday 10th December - Christmas
Singing Performance Years 1&2 9.30am &
2.30pm. Details to follow

Thursday 11th December - School Disco.
Details to follow

Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th December
Nativity Performance 2.30pm - Reception
& Year 3/4. Details to follow

Thursday 18th December
Christmas Dinner

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025

School closes: Friday 19th December 2025

Spring Term 2026

Teacher Training Day (school closed): Monday
5th January 2026

School opens: Tuesday 6th January

School closes: Friday 13th February

Half term break: Monday 16th - Friday 20th
February

School opens: Monday 23rd February

School closes: Friday 27th March

Easter Break: Monday 30th March - Friday 10th
April

Summer Term 2026

School opens: Monday 13th April

May Day Bank Holiday (school closed):
Monday 4th May

School closes: Thursday 21st May

Teacher Training Day (school closed): Friday
22nd May

Half term break: Monday 25th - Friday 29th
May

School opens: Monday 1st June

School closes: Friday 10th July

School opens: Monday 24th August

Odd Socks Day

Monday 10th November

In support of Anti-Bullying week, the children can come to school wearing 'odd socks'

Children In Need

Friday 14th November

In support of Children In Need, we invite pupils to come to school wearing something yellow or spotty. **£1 Donation.**

Bake Sale

Thursday 20th November

Cake donations can be brought in to school on the morning of Thursday 20th November. The Bake sale will be held after school

School Admissions 2026

A reminder that if you know anyone or if you have a sibling due to start school in Autumn 2026, the deadline for applying for a Primary School place is 15th January 2026.

You can apply online at:
<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools-colleges-and-academies/apply-for-a-school-place>

Homework Books

Homework books for all year groups will be given out next Friday, 14th November.

This will have homework covering Autumn 2.

Diwali

This week, the children took part in a Diwali workshop. This vibrant workshop encompassed many elements of the Diwali festival. The children listened to the story of Diwali and explored how it is celebrated. They were shown traditional Indian clothes worn during the festival and even had the opportunity to try some on!

Finally, they were given the chance to taste the sweet delights of the festival through tasting a range of foods.

