



Newsletter

Friday 5th December 2025



Miss Burrow's Class

In Reception, we have been busy learning all about the world around us and learning about different celebrations.

In our recent Bushcraft session, we looked at building different types of shelters and comparing these.

In Geography we have started to look at maps and have been discussing the area that we live in; in English we have been learning about different homes and talking about what rooms or things we might see in our own homes.

In Art we have been learning about the artist Piet Mondrian and have produced some artwork inspired by his paintings. We have been busy with lots of crafts this term, especially now with Christmas on the horizon!

Don't forget to collect some Nativity tickets; we have some amazing actors in our rehearsals so far and can't wait to show you all soon!



Mrs Southam's Class

In year one, we have started writing a setting description about the story of The Bog Baby. We are learning to use a variety of adjectives and prepositions to describe the pond setting. We are continuing to work on spelling the harder to read and spell words and forming our letters correctly.

We have started to explore numberbonds to 20 using addition and subtraction facts, we are working hard to explain how we know our answers and proving what we know.

We have had a DT week planning and making stable structures. We had to think about how we would make things stronger.

We are very excited to perform our songs to you next week, we have worked hard to learn the words.



Miss Laverick's Class

In Maths, Year 2 have been learning to count with money, finding different amounts using coins and using different coins to make the same amount.

In English this week, we've been learning to rhyme and we've produced some brilliant seaside poems about being at the beach. D.T week has been lots of fun and we're currently in the process of making our moving monsters.

Our Christmas craft afternoon was also thoroughly enjoyable and we are looking forward to sharing what we have made with you on the last day of term. We also can't wait for you to see our Christmas concert, which we've all worked so hard on.



Mrs Bott's Class

This week in year 3 and 4, we have been enjoying our Design and Technology week! For our textile unit, we are working towards making our own book covers. We started by looking at different types of fastenings on fabrics and which would be the best to use for our book covers. From there, we designed our covers and worked through the process of stitching the different parts together. The children have persevered and tried really hard with their sewing skills. They all have created such beautiful and unique book covers - they should be very proud of themselves!





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Upcoming Dates

Wednesday 10th December -

Christmas Singing Performance Years 1&2 9.30am & 2.30pm.

Thursday 11th December - School Disco.

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

Thursday 18th December Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

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

Punctuality and Attendance

A reminder that children should arrive at school from 8.35am and be ready to start lessons at 8.45am.

Arriving punctually ensures that your child does not miss important information at the start of the day and allows for a smooth transition.

This is also a polite reminder that, where possible, please try to avoid booking Doctors'/Dentist appointments during school time. We appreciate in some cases that this is unavoidable.

Thank you for your continued support

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>

Name A Snowplough For East Midlands Airport

East Midlands Airport is gearing up for winter with a brand-new fleet of snowploughs – and we need your help to name them!

We've invested £2.5 million in six powerful Compact Jet Sweepers and a Snow-cutter Blower that can shift 5,000 tonnes of snow per hour. These machines are not only fast – clearing the entire runway in just 24 minutes – but also green, running on vegetable oil-based biodiesel to help us reach net zero carbon by 2038.

Now it's time to give them some personality.

We're inviting children in local schools and colleges to take part in a fun competition to name three of the new vehicles. Think witty, imaginative, and memorable – similar naming competitions for road gritters have resulted in the likes of 'Gritney Spears' and 'Brad Grit'. Airport staff will be naming the other three vehicles.

Winners will have a snow vehicle marked up with their suggested name and will be invited with a parent/guardian to the airport on Tuesday 30th December to see the snow fleet up close (all visitors will require a valid passport or driving licence). Each winner will also receive a family ticket for Twycross Zoo's 'Lanterns of the Wild'

Closing date for entries is Monday 15th December 2025. Entries to be submitted via link (also in poster) [Snow plough naming competition – Fill in form](#)

Let the naming creativity begin!

If you have any questions, feel free to get in touch. We can't wait to see what brilliant names your students come up with!



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School Disco

Whole school Disco

11th December
3.15-4.30

This is available to book and pay via the School Gateway the app
£3