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Dates to remember

Friday 13th February

Local charity day—children can wear non-uniform for a donation

Break up for half term

Monday 23rd February

*Children return to school
Healthy: Inside and Out day*

Monday 23rd February— Wednesday 4th March

Galley Poetry Award class competitions

Tuesday 24th February

*Lent Services in St Peter's Church— parents/carers welcome to attend
9.15-9.45 Rec-Y3, 10.00-10.40 Y4-6*

Wednesday 25th February

Y3 visiting a Sikh Gurdwara

Friday 27th February

Reception and Y6 children having nurse assessments

Monday 2nd March

SATs information sessions for Y6 parents/carers—9am and 5pm

Wednesday 4th March

New date - 8.00-8.40 Y3 family breakfast—in the gym

Dear parents/carers,

Last week we had our exhibition of work completed in our art and writing project week. Thank you to all those parents/carers who attended. The children and staff enjoyed the week and the school has been covered in castles! There are some pictures at the end of the newsletter.

Today has been our local charity day and thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising. We have so far raised £225 and this will be shared between our chosen charities.

This week we have also recognised Safer Internet Day. Technology changes at a fast pace and there are many challenges that children have to face around technology in today's world. We support children in their understanding of how to navigate the use of technology and the internet safely. We remain concerned though about how some of our pupils are using technology. These concerns include a lack of supervision when children are on phones and tablets, children watching films or clips from films which are designated as 15/18 age rating, children watching inappropriate content generally on the internet and the amount of screen time children are having. Please ensure you understand how to put filters/controls in place on devices and give a good level of supervision when your child is using technology.

We have a new website in place. The design is slightly different but the new format has a greater functionality for school. We are in the process of tweaking a few things and will add more information in due course.

Next half term we will also be having a number of events. We will be holding Lent and Easter services in St Peter's Church. We will be undertaking our annual Galley Poetry Award (information about this has been sent in a separate letter) and we will be celebrating World Book Day.

I hope you have a good break next week and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 23rd February.

Mrs Esplin



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In November 2025, Ofsted started using a different framework to inspect schools with. This Framework is significantly different than the previous one and I want to share some of the changes with you.

What's Changed

In the past, schools were given a single overall grade, such as *Outstanding*, *Good*, or *Requires Improvement*. Now, instead of one overall judgement, report cards show colour coded grades for different areas of education using a new grading scale.

In the new inspection framework, schools receive a judgement on the following areas:

- Safeguarding
- Inclusion
- Curriculum and Teaching
- Achievement
- Attendance and Behaviour
- Personal Development and Wellbeing
- Early Years
- Leadership and Governance

Please note that schools can no longer use the previous Ofsted grading system on banners and letterheads. Our letterhead has been changed as a result.

The New Grading Scale

Each area is graded on a new five-point scale:

- Exceptional – among the absolute best nationally.
- Strong Standard – excellent, consistent work making a real difference.
- Expected Standard – everything a school should be doing (a high and reassuring standard).
- Needs Attention – some issues to address, but not a failure. These areas will be monitored by Ofsted.
- Urgent Improvement – serious concerns that must be fixed quickly and will be monitored closely by Ofsted.

Safeguarding is also reported separately as either Met or Not Met.

Comparing the new grading to the old grading



The Framework also requires all criteria on a standard to be met to gain this standard. This means there could only be one aspect of a standard not met and the grading below has to be used.



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Early Years and Key stage 1 events

	Spring term	Summer term
Nursery	Tuesday 3rd February 2.15-3.00 Stay and Bear Activities Thursday 5th February 8.45-9.30 Stay and Bear Activities Monday 16th March 2.15-3.00 Stay and Eater Craft Thursday 19th March 8.45-9.30 Stay and Easter Craft	Monday 18th May 2.15-3.00 Stay and Minibeasts... Thursday 21st May 8.45-9.30 Stay and Minibeasts... Tuesday 7th July 2.15-3.00 Afternoon Tea Thursday 9th July 8.45-9.30 Sunshine Breakfast
Reception	Thursday 29th January 9.00-10.00 Stay and investigate Friday 6th March 2.30-3.10 Stay and read	Tuesday 28th April 9.00-10.00 Stay and scrap Friday 12th June 2.00-3.00 Grandparent Afternoon Tea
Y1	Tuesday 3rd March 9.00-9.30 Stay and read	Wednesday 20th May 2.30-3.00 Stay and Create
Y2	Thursday 5th February 2.30-3.00 Stay and Read	Tuesday 19th May 2.30-3.00 Stay and Skip

Key Stage 2 Events

Y3	Wednesday 4th March 9.00-9.30 Stay and Read	Thursday 4th June 9.00-9.30 Stay and Scrap Shed
Y4	Wednesday 14th January 9.00-9.30 Stay and Investigate	Friday 15th May 9.00-9.30 Stay and Multiply
Y5	Tuesday 13th January 9.00-9.30 Stay and Read	Tuesday 23rd June 9.00-9.30 Stay and Problem Solve
Y6	Wednesday 14th January 2.30-3.00 Stay and Read	Thursday 2nd July 9.00-9.30 Stay and Quiz

Breakfast Events

Family breakfasts are where you, your child and other family members can come and have a light breakfast together in the school gym, put on by school. These are all on a Wednesday (see set dates in the adjacent table) from 8am until 8.35am.

Reception	8th July	Year 3	4th March
Year 1	15th October	Year 4	18th March
Year 2	26th	Year 5/6	6th May



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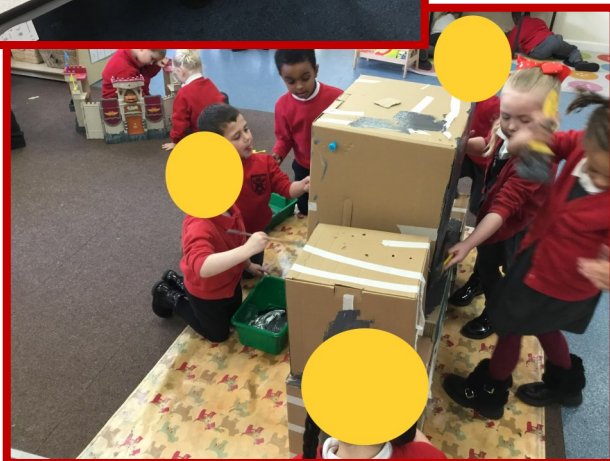
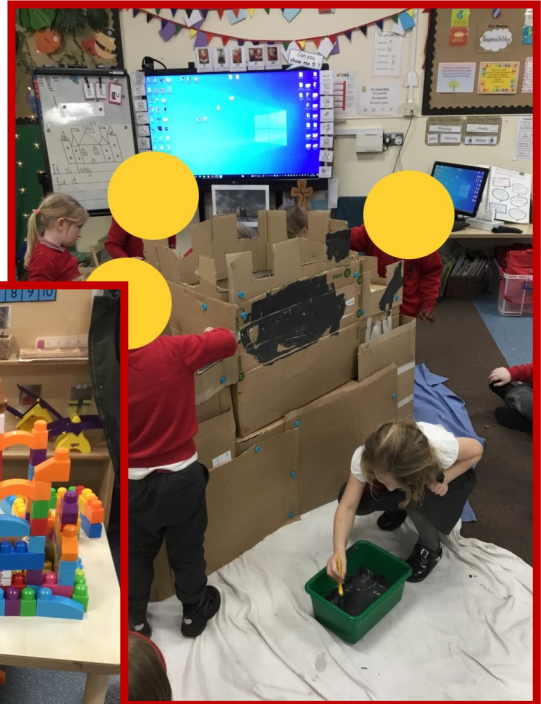
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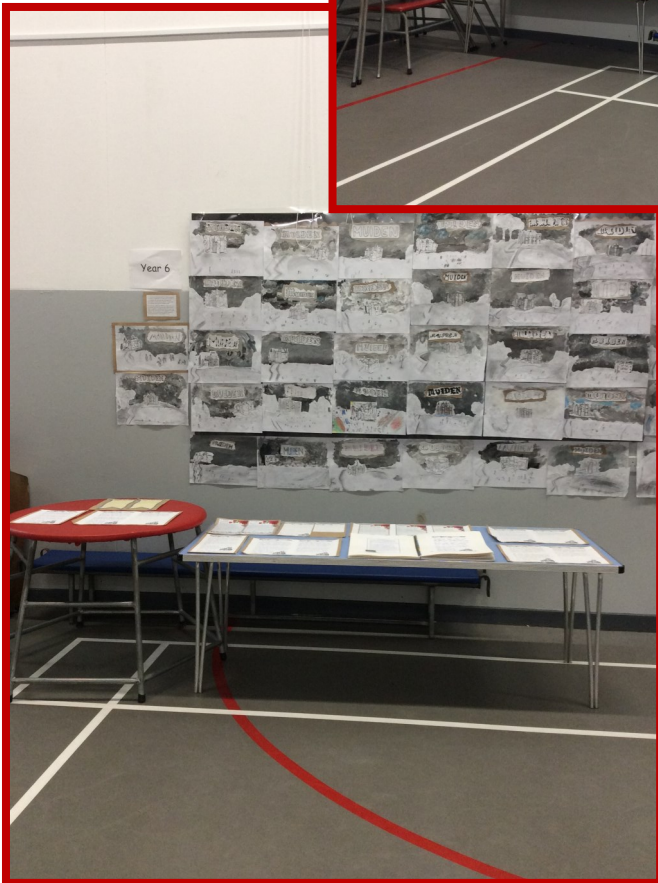
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Art and Writing Exhibition

We had an amazing opportunity to showcase the children's work in our Art and Writing Exhibition in the gym. There was some amazing work and models and it was fabulous to see so many parents and carers coming to view the variety of work displayed.



BSP – Gallery



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