

Weekly News

Friday 27th February 2026

Head's Lines

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back after what we hope was a restful and enjoyable half-term break. It has been wonderful to see the children return to school with such enthusiasm and positivity, ready for a new half term of learning and experiences.

We began the week on a truly uplifting note with our School of Kindness workshops on Tuesday. The sessions were fantastic, and Greig, our facilitator, spoke so highly of our pupils. He was genuinely moved by the kindness they showed; not only through their thoughtful contributions during the workshop but also by the handmade cards and small tokens of appreciation they presented to him afterwards. Their compassion and gratitude were a real credit to our school community.

Yesterday, Year 3 had a particularly exciting day as they took part in the Spirit of the Wild zoo experience. The children were captivated by the opportunity to learn about, and even hold, a range of animals, including snakes and bats. Their curiosity and bravery shone through, and it was wonderful to see them so engaged in this memorable hands-on learning experience.

Looking ahead, we are delighted to share that from next week we will be introducing Motivational Mondays. For the first half hour every Monday morning, children will take part in uplifting activities that they have chosen, accompanied by music, to help set a positive tone for the week. Our aim is to make Mondays unmissable and give everyone an energising start.

With the weather finally turning drier, we are also restarting the Daily Mile. On their PE days only, when children are already in kit, classes will take part in the Daily Mile at a time chosen by their teacher. This provides a great opportunity to boost fitness, wellbeing and focus throughout the day.

We look forward to another busy and rewarding half term ahead and are grateful, as always, for your continued support.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,
Kind regards,
Mrs Egan

Diary Dates for next week:

Wednesday 4th March - Year 4 Parents coffee morning, 9-10.30am

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

Looking ahead:

Wednesday 11th March - Rock Steady Concert 2.30pm

Friday 13th March - Year 3 trip to Wisley

Wow work winners

Elm: Thomas
Oak: Ashley
Maple: Billie
Chestnut: Hallie
Hazel: Sophia
Rowan: Jamie
Sycamore: Alia
Beech: Ria



Chess Club News

Our new chess club champion is Apollo.

The school chess club championships have taken place over the past few weeks and we had many exciting chess battles, great fun and good sportsmanship. Congratulations to Apollo, as he has put a lot of effort into his chess in recent months and his dedication has paid off. (Mr Welling)



Year 4 Coffee Morning

The Year 4 Parent's coffee morning will take place on Wednesday 4th March at 9am.

Please sign up so we can plan accordingly by clicking the link below:

[Year 4 Parent's Coffee Morning](#)

Attendance

Whole School Attendance for w/c 23rd February 2026

Elm: 100% Maple 100%

Chestnut: 99.5% Hazel: 96.7%

Oak: 96.7% Beech: 96%

Sycamore: 94.4% Rowan 89.6%

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Spotlight on Year 5

We are delighted to share how positively the children have settled back into school life and re-established routines so quickly. To begin the term, the children participated in a kindness workshop where they completed thoughtful acts of kindness designed to make a meaningful difference to someone else. As part of this, they explored the concept of empathy and reflected on how showing kindness can positively impact not only others, but also our own well-being. We have also begun our new Geography topic on rivers in preparation for our upcoming residential. The children have been learning about the journey of a river from source to mouth, revisiting their understanding of the water cycle, and discussing key vocabulary linked to the topic. In PE, they have been applying their gymnastics balancing skills using apparatus with increasing confidence, while continuing to develop hand-eye coordination through net and wall games. In English, we have introduced portal stories, and the children are thoroughly enjoying planning and writing their own imaginative narratives. In Maths, we are maintaining a strong focus on arithmetic practice and have begun our new unit on area and perimeter.

Thank you to those who have already returned the medical and dietary forms for the residential. If you have not yet done so, please ensure all forms are returned by Friday 6th March. By the end of this week, you will receive a packing list and a copy of the residential presentation to support your preparations. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.



Housepoint totals this week



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334



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