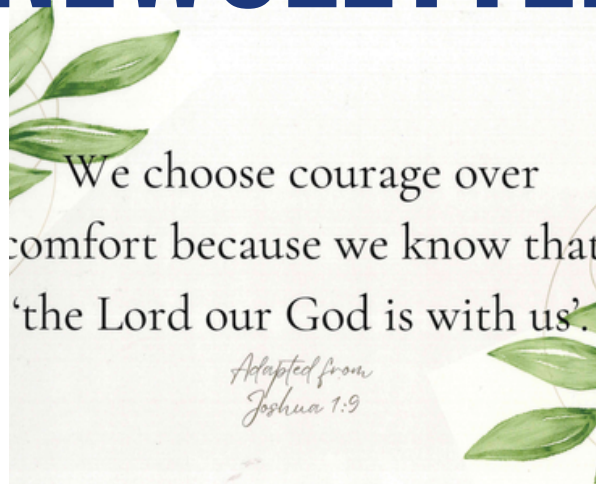


NEWSLETTER



Dear Families,

As we move through this busy and inspiring half term, I've been reflecting on our school vision of Courage over Comfort. It has been wonderful to see pupils embracing challenges, stepping forward with confidence, and showing resilience even when tasks feel difficult. This commitment to courage is shaping a school culture where everyone feels supported to try, grow, and persevere.

Our focus value this term is Honesty, and the children have shown sincere maturity in the way they speak truthfully, take responsibility, and demonstrate integrity in their actions. Whether in classroom discussions or playground choices, honesty has shone through, helping to build trust and strengthen relationships across our school community.

Today, we also celebrated Red Nose Day, and it was a joy to see the school filled with colour, laughter, and generosity. Thank you for your support in helping us raise funds for such an important cause.

Looking ahead, next week brings two significant events in our school calendar. We look forward to support our Year 3 children in their Easter Service at Church, where the children will be sharing readings, songs, and reflections on the meaning of the season. In addition, on Friday we will be marking our whole-school Pilgrimage, a reflective journey around the school grounds that enables pupils to pause, think deeply, and prepare their hearts as we approach Easter.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Our pupils flourish because of the strong partnership between school and families, and I am grateful for all you do.

With warm regards,

S Pearson

Mrs Pearson
Headteacher



Church Updates

Upcoming Church events

- 30th, 31st March and Friday 3rd April 9:00 - 3:00 Free Easter Holiday Club for children aged 5-11.
- 3rd April 9:00 - 11:00 Good Friday children's activities
- 5th April 10:00 Easter Service for all ages, including a Easter Egg Hunt
- 1st Sunday of every month - Choir in attendance at Energise.

School Dates for the Diary

- 24.03.26** - Y1 trip to Cleethorpes
- 26.03.26** - SEND Coffee Morning
- 27.03.26** - Y6 trip to the Nottingham Tennis Centre
- 27.03.26** - Last day of term
- 13.04.26** - Return to school after Easter
- 14.04.26** - Y1 Trip to Magna
- 15.04.26** - Foundation trip to White Post Farm
- 20.04.26** - Y3 Trip Wheelgate



We seek to model to children an ethos of living well together. The flourishing of pupils goes hand in hand with the flourishing of the wider school community: staff, families, governors and friends of the school. Just as Jesus respected people by taking the time to care for them, we endeavor to:

- celebrate the Christian faith;
- foster deep respect for other cultures, faiths and traditions;
- provide an inclusive environment where special provision is afforded to those with disabilities or special educational needs; and
- challenge inequality.

"Whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to..."

YR - Mrs Dubowski

Oh no! Someone broke into our home corner! After some detective work, Foundation realised it was Goldilocks. We've begun writing letters to the bears to explain what happened and thinking of how Goldilocks could be a better person. The class absolutely loved being detectives and had wonderful ideas relating to our school values. We've continued to look at Easter and made some Easter gardens, using natural materials. As a class, we are getting better at recounting the Easter story and explaining how people may have felt. In maths, we've been consolidating this half-terms work. We are also beginning to reason our answers using mathematical terms we have learnt. We've continued to enjoy the sunshine, during provision. The class have loved building and utilising the outdoor stage area. Our proudest class moment has been in phonics this week. Every single student was able to form the /oa/ sound independently and complete their phonics books with little to no support. We were completely blown away by their progress. Foundation should be very proud of themselves!

Year 1 - Miss Bower

Year one this week have completed their independent write, this was a letter to Keir Starmer asking him to help with global warming. Our next focus for English is going to be instructions, we have introduced imperative verbs so far. In maths we have finished place value to 50 and will be moving on to length and height next. We have been continuing to explore Easter in Re and we are looking forward to the pilgrimage next week. In science we have been exploring different materials to see which are the best for our boats, we decided plastic is the most waterproof so please don't forget your plastic bottle for next week. Everyone is very excited for our school trip on Tuesday, please hope for some good weather for us!

Y2 - Mrs Turvey and Mrs Marshall

We've had a busy and creative week in Year 2. In maths, the children have been learning how to use arrays to help them understand and solve multiplication problems. In English, they have been writing letters from the perspective of James in James and the Giant Peach, thinking carefully about his feelings and experiences. In art, the class explored who Quentin Blake is and looked closely at his distinctive illustration style. During P4C, we discussed relationships and friendships through the story Willy and Hugh by Anthony Browne, reflecting on what makes a good friend. Next week, we will be moving on to division in maths and completing our final art outcomes inspired by Quentin Blake's work.

Y3 Miss Wain

This week in Year 3 we have continued with our Length and Perimeter unit, looking at comparing and adding lengths. In English we have been writing our survival guide, the children have loved researching about Antarctica! In Spanish we wrote a paragraph all about our pets but this time, included vocabulary linking to their colours. In Art we have designed and carved our tile ready to print onto our map background next week. The children have focused carefully on their use of symmetry and shape. In Geography we created vegetation belts to show the different types of flora and fauna in each biome. In RE we looked at the ways in which Hoy Week is celebrated and created, candles, palm crosses and traced the via dolorosa (the walk Jesus did when he carried the cross). Once again, the children had a great time swimming, and it is lovely to see their confidence build each week!



Year 1 pupils exploring drumming within their music area



Foundation taking their number work into the outdoor provision



Year 3 children creating palm crosses in RE

Y4 - Miss Buckley

Year 4 have had a very busy and productive week. The children have shown great enthusiasm and focus across all subjects. In Maths, they learned about fractions on number lines and explored mixed and improper fractions. They practised converting between these and worked on identifying equivalent fractions. In English, the children began a Picasso-inspired unit linked to Spanish and Art. They used this theme to write detailed rainforest setting descriptions with rich vocabulary. In Computing, they discussed real and fake news and learned how to judge whether information is trustworthy. In Art, the children completed their final Picasso-style rainforest pieces using colour, shape and abstract features. In RE, they learned about Easter Week and created memory boxes to reflect on important moments in the story. In Music, the children edited and improved their compositions in preparation for next week's performances. In Science, they were introduced to classification keys and created their own using yes/no questions. They now have a stronger understanding of how scientists group and identify living things.



Children loving the new bars for OPAL

Y5 - Miss Evans

Year 5 have had a fantastic and busy week filled with learning and new experiences. The children took part in a road safety workshop where they learned how to stay safe near roads and make sensible choices as pedestrians. They showed great listening skills and asked thoughtful questions throughout. In PE, the class enjoyed developing their basketball skills, practising dribbling, passing and shooting before taking part in a friendly mini-game that showed excellent teamwork and sportsmanship. The children have also made a brilliant start on writing their non-chronological reports about bridges, gathering facts, organising information and beginning their first paragraphs with confidence. We are very proud of their enthusiasm and hard work this week!



A spot of relaxing in the sun during
OPA lunchtime

Y6 - Mrs Woodward

Year 6 have had a busy week full of different types of learning. In English, they have finished their narratives about Stanley and his deadly journey back to camp. In Maths, they have been learning how to find percentages of amounts. I must say that they did fantastically well at this and should be very proud of themselves. In RE, they have unpicked different bible quotes to explore how it links to the idea of love, resurrection, salvation and gospel. In Art, they have looked at proportion and why it is important that images are taken from the correct angles. In Computing, they have explored different types of networks both in school and at homes. In Science, they have completed two investigations about how light travels through different materials. Next week, they are going to Sutton Community Academy to watch a performance and will also be going to the Tennis Centre in Nottingham.



Year 3 children planning their tile in Art

OPAL



Highlights

What a lovely time we've had playing in the sunshine this week! Less rain has meant that fancy dress costumes have returned which the children have really enjoyed!

A large donation of scooters has been very popular - please continue to send any unused scooters. The children love them! We've completed the stage and from next week children will have access to fancy dress, music, props, and chinks in there to create performances! We can't wait to see what they come up with!

We're working on a large water area next, and we'll need pipes, guttering and water butts. If you know anybody that may be able to help, please send them our way!

Welly Award

Foundation Stage

Golden Broom

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Reminders

Please ensure children have coats, hats and gloves as the weather turns colder.

Resources needed:

- Guttering and pipes
- Scooters
- Prams
- Potion bottles
- Paintbrushes
- Pine cones
- Adults coat hangers