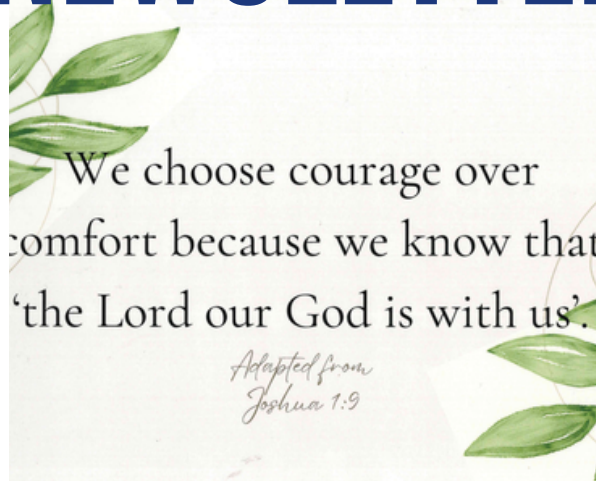


NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

As we reach the final week of this half term, I want to thank you all for your continued support. Despite the recent spell of wet and windy weather, it has certainly not dampened our spirits here in school. The children have shown wonderful enthusiasm, resilience, and positivity—both inside the classroom and out on the playground!

This half term, our core value has been Respect, and it has been truly uplifting to see pupils actively demonstrating this in their interactions, their learning, and their care for the school environment. From holding doors for one another to engaging thoughtfully in lessons, the children have worked hard to put respect into action every day. After the break, we will turn our focus to the value of Honesty, supporting pupils to recognise the importance of truthfulness, integrity, and taking responsibility for their actions.

A few polite reminders as we head into the holiday:

- Jewellery is not part of our school uniform policy, and for safety reasons, pupils should not be wearing it in school (beyond small stud earrings where permitted).
- Please avoid sending pupils in with items from home, including toys, sweets, and chewing gum, as these often cause distractions or issues in class.
- As ever, we appreciate your support in helping pupils come to school ready to learn and fully prepared.

Next half term also marks the start of Lent, as we begin the journey toward Easter. This is a reflective season in the Christian calendar, offering opportunities for pupils to think about kindness, giving, and making thoughtful choices. We look forward to exploring these themes through our assemblies and class activities.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half-term break. We look forward to welcoming the children back, refreshed and ready for the exciting learning ahead.

Warm regards,

S Pearson
Mrs Pearson

Church Updates

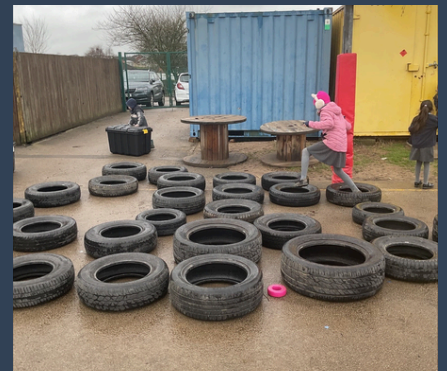
Upcoming Church events

- 17th February 4:00 - 5:30 Pancake - Party
- 19th February 11:30 - 4:00 Drama workshop for children aged 6-16
- 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.

School Dates for the

Diary

- 16.02.26 - 20.02.26** Half Term
- 25.02.26** - Foundation Stage trip to Perlethorpe
- 27.02.26** Swimming Gala
- 02.03.26** - PGL (Year 5)
- 05.03.26** - World Book Day
- 10.03.26** Pizza and Movie Night
- 13.03.26** - Mother's Day Lunch
- 24.03.26** - Y1 trip to Cleethorpes
- 27.03.26** - Last day of term
- 13.04.26** - Return to school after Easter



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 them."

YR - Mrs Dubowski

This week, we have had lots of fun continuing our Lunar New Years celebrations. We have practiced bowing, using chopsticks and some students even had a go at wearing traditional Korean costumes. Foundation were very impressed with themselves as they learnt how to say "Happy New Year" in both Korean and Cantonese - they were all very impressive. Miss Murfitt and I have been very proud of them as they have completed writing their class book. They have all worked very hard on their letter formation to produce a beautiful class project. As for their maths, we have begun exploring height, length and time. We have done different experiments to help us measure and compare. Concept cat has also helped us out with understanding the vocabulary we have needed for this week's maths. They also finished their group art pictures. The children completed collages inspired by Blue Penguin. The most impressive part was that the students worked collaboratively, whilst embracing our school values to create their work. In PE, the students put all of this half-term's learning together to create a gymnastic sequence. We saw some terrific performances. We have thoroughly enjoyed this half-term and are looking forward to the next one!

Year 1 - Miss Bower

A fabulous last week for year one, we have finished our plans in English for the witch from Rapunzel. In maths we are amazing at using our number bonds to make bigger numbers. We have all finished sewing our bags in DT and did a great job. We have loved doing gymnastics in PE and can show some good skills. After half term we will be writing our narrative for the witch and continuing with addition and subtraction in maths.

Y2 - Mrs Turvey and Mrs Marshall

Year 2 have had a lovely week of learning. In maths they have been working with money, recognising coins and notes and using them to solve simple problems. In English they have written their own non-chronological reports about polar bears, showing how confidently they can work on their own and apply their skills. After a local walk to collect information for a traffic survey, the children created their own maps in geography. They have also been practising gymnastics in PE and spent time evaluating the drawstring bags they made in DT. It has been a busy and exciting week and the children should feel very proud of themselves.

Y3 Miss Wain

This week year 3 have continued their new topic fractions and have been looking at how we can order fractions from greatest to smallest. In English we have completed our recipe and will write an independent write after half term, all about how to make bread. In DT we completed our evaluation of our stew, it was hard for the children to think of things they didn't like! In History we looked at the significance of the Anglo-Saxons on modern day Britain. In RE we looked at how Christians live their values in the community and specifically, the Salvation Army. In Computing the children began to create their own PowerPoint and wrote about their pets in Spanish as a piece of extended writing.



Foundation exploring traditional Korean costumes



Year 1 showing their gymnastic skill



Year 2 practicing their balances in PE

Y4 - Miss Buckley

The children have been busy across the curriculum this week. In English, they completed broadcast transcripts based on Shere Khan's return and Mowgli's banishment, focusing on news-report style, tone and clarity, before moving on to writing their own OPAL-inspired news stories. In Maths, they explored length and perimeter, measuring accurately and applying their understanding to calculate the perimeter of various shapes. Computing introduced them to 2D animation through onion skinning, while in Science they designed and made their own push switches for electrical circuits, showing impressive perseverance.

The week was also rich in practical and creative learning. During PE, Year 9 students from SCA led a range of ball game activities, which the children approached with enthusiasm and great teamwork. In DT, they applied their cross-stitching skills to produce embroidered pieces for the class's immersive rainforest environment, carefully developing their sewing techniques while contributing to a shared final project.



Reception developing fine motor skills

Stepping Stones - Miss Cave

Miss Cave finally gave in this week and let us make some slime for our Mellow Monday task. We carefully followed the instructions to make slime of all different colours with lots of colourful glitter! Then, we have been able to use it all week as part of our relaxing activities. In English, we have been finishing writing our Jumaji stories following our careful plans. In our emotional literacy sessions, we have been thinking about how our bodies and brains are connected. We have considered ways to keep our brains healthy so that we can feel calm and focused in school. In PE, we finished our gymnastics unit where we practised a range of balances including partner balances!

Y5 - Miss Evans

Year 5 have had another busy week - in maths they continued their unit on multiplication and division, English saw the children write their own biographies of each other for a writing assessment. In RE, they have been looking at the question 'What would Jesus do?'. In Science, they have continued their investigations into properties and changes of materials. They have completed their bridge designs for DT, ready to start building them after half term.



OPAL lunchtimes

Y6 - Mrs Woodward

Year 6 have had a fantastic week completing so many different elements of their learning. In English, they have continued to write their formal speeches to the House of Commons regarding the segregation that has been imposed on their once beloved community. In Maths, they have been recapping their knowledge of place value and how to add and subtract decimals before moving onto trickier concepts after the half term. In Computing, they have corrected and debugged different types of code to allow a text adventure story to work. In PE, they have worked together to create different balances. In music, they have looked at different tempo terminology and have used this to create different types of music. In Science, they have looked at the impact that drugs and alcohol can have on the body. After the half term, the children are going to be exploring light in science and focusing on different maths topics.



Year 6 working together in gymnastics

OPAL



Highlights

This week in OPAL saw the introduction of the trapeze swing! We've had many children enjoying being upside down and improving their gymnastics skills! The ball area has continued to be another popular area. We're proud of how the children are working in this area, sharing the balls, and playing nicely together! It's been lovely to see! The first part of our fixed play equipment has been delivered this week which we hope to have up and ready shortly after the half term. The children will discuss this in a whole school assembly thinking about the risks, benefits and how they're going to stay safe before they're able to use this area. We hope to be able to add to this area and we're holding a movie night on 10th December to support fundraising for further equipment. Please send £4 cash in a sealed envelope if you'd like your child to take part.

Welly Award

Year 3

Golden Broom

Malachi (Y5)

Reminders

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

Resources needed:

- Sweeping brushes
- Paint brushes
- Scooters
- Trikes
- Ride on toys
- Pushchairs