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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy new year to everyone! It has been lovely to see the children back in school this week and I've been amazed at how well they've settled back into such positive learning routines. Although it has been exceptionally cold this week, I'm pleased to see that the long-term weather forecast promises slightly warmer weather next week, perfectly timed for the resumption of our extra-curricular clubs!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Ray

Dates for your diary

When	Who	What
Wednesday 22 nd January	Year 6	Sportshall Final at Xcel Centre
Wednesday 29 th January	Year 5	Trip to Gurdwara Sahib in Leamington
Tuesday 8 th April	Whole School	Parents' Evening
Thursday 10 th April	Whole School	Parents' Evening

Letters sent home this week

Year Group(s)	Regarding
Year 4	Swimming
Year 5	Secrets of a Sun King
Year 5	Trip to the Gurdwara Sahib

Parent/Carer Questionnaire

Our annual parent/carers questionnaire is now live until Monday 20th January. Please click the link to share your views <https://forms.gle/Dmkmbnx32ftg9CtV9>

After School Clubs

All of our Spring Term clubs are currently available for parents/carers to sign up children on My Child at School app. We are currently full in netball club, if you do require a space in another club, please contact the school office via email and we will try our best to accommodate you. All clubs will re-start next week, from Monday 13th January.

Charity Fundraisers

One of our Year 6 children is raising money for the Little Princess Trust and also donating her hair. If you would like to find out more and donate, please see the following link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/krishna-shindroja-1736419210227#sharePage>

One of our Year 2 parents is raising money for the Myton Hospices by completing a long distance walk. If you would like to find out more and donate, please see the following link:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/michael-hunting-mytonhospice?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM

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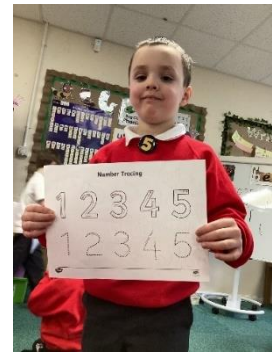
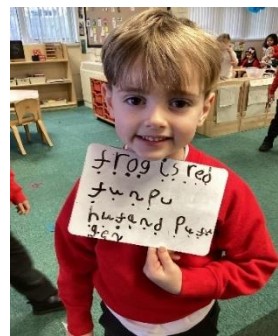
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Celebrating our Learning

Reception

What a wonderful first week back the children have had in Reception! They have been very excited to talk to us about what they have been up to over the Christmas holidays, and we would like to say a big thank you for continuing to support your child with their reading while they were at home! It really does make a difference. Our topic over the next couple of weeks is 'Winter' and the children have enjoyed listening to the story *King Winter's Birthday* to support their learning. We talked about the four seasons and focused on how winter is different to the others. We looked at weather symbols, talked about temperature, and the children have enjoyed checking the BBC weather website each day! The children have now learnt our five school values and they were excited to show teamwork together this week, so they decided all by themselves, to turn our home corner into a 'Harvester' restaurant! They created menus, made signs and even moved the furniture in the classroom together! It has been wonderful to see the writing, the conversations and the independence that has come from this. Well done, Reception! We are incredibly proud of you.

At home, please find out what the word 'hibernation' means. We will be looking at which animals hibernate next week. Have a great weekend! Miss Swain and Miss Roberts



Year 1

Happy new year from the Year 1 class! What a lovely start to the new year it has been. We have enjoyed listening to what everyone got up to in the winter break, it sounds like they all enjoyed their two weeks off! The class have come back refreshed for a week for starting new topics. In English we have been looking at the story *You Choose in Space*, which we will be exploring to write a recount. So far, we have practised writing a simple sentence, using a subject and a verb and using sequencing adverbs. Next week, we will be learning how to use pronouns in place of names and using adjectives to describe a setting and a character. In maths, we are extending our learning from the Autumn term and learning to count to 20. We are developing our understanding the value of numbers from 11-20, and our knowledge of tens and ones. Next week, we will be exploring the numbers 11, 12 and 13. Any support at home with understanding tens and ones will greatly benefit them in lessons. In RE, we explored how some Muslim and Sikh people express their worldviews. We looked at what some people might wear, groups they might be part of and choices they make with what they eat to express their worldviews. We ended the week with some music, computing and handwriting. Miss Delargy and I continue to be impressed with Year 1's phonics and writing skills! We hope you all have a lovely weekend, and we'll see you next week. Miss Brett, Miss Delargy, Miss Bullock, Miss French and Miss Dangi



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Year 2

What a great first week back! Year 2 have quickly settled back into our school routines after the Christmas holidays and are working well with their learning across the curriculum. In maths, the children have started a new unit of work on money. They have been learning to identify the different coins and notes and found totals of different coins. If you could give your child chance at home to look at the different coins and notes and work out totals, this would be a great opportunity to consolidate their learning. In our English lessons, the class have been looking at a new book *There is a Rangtan in my bedroom*. The book is about the deforestation of the rainforests and destruction of orangutans' habitats to make way for palm oil plantations. After reading the book the children found it upsetting to hear what is happening in our rainforest and wanted to find out ways we could help save the orangutans. In science, we looked at different materials found in the classroom and why certain materials have been chosen to be used for their purpose. We spoke about the properties found in these materials such as glass being used for windows because it is transparent, and metal being used for a sink because it is waterproof. As historians, with Mrs Amphlett, the class have started exploring a new big question 'Who was Frank Whittle and why was his invention important'. The children looked who Frank Whittle was. We spoke about how Frank was born in Coventry and was a very important engineer and inventor. The children were amazed to hear that Coventry have paid tribute to Sir Frank's genius, with a statue of him standing under the 'Whittle Arches' sculpture outside the Transport Museum. They also had the chance to become inventors by creating their own paper planes and seeing whose paper aeroplane would travel the furthest. In Computing, we explored how photographs can be changed using different tools. We used an online resource to change the appearance using a filter effect of a photograph that had been taken. The children enjoyed using the different colour effects such as black and white, more blue and redder to change how the photograph finally looked. Finally, in RE we looked at salvation and why this is important to those with Christian worldviews. We looked at the Easter story and how Easter is celebrated by Christian's.

Well done, Year 2, for a fabulous start to the new year. Miss Softic and Mrs Akthar



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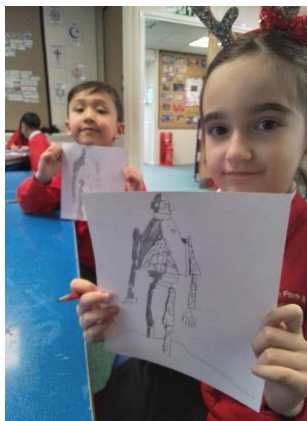


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Year 3

Year 3 have had a fantastic start to the new year! The classroom has been abuzz with positive attitudes to learning and we are excited for the year ahead. In English, we started our new topic of *Robots & Machines* and read the story *Robot Stop*. The story grasped our imagination as we discussed what it would be like to have a robot do jobs for us. In preparation for writing our own robot stories next week, we have been learning why and how we write character and setting descriptions. During our maths lessons this term, we will continue to learn about multiplication and division, particularly using 2-digit and 1-digit numbers. This week, we have learning to multiply using the partitioning and column methods.

As scientists, we started our new topic namely 'What do rocks tell us about the way Earth was formed?' We discovered the names of different types of rock and grouped them into those that were natural and those that were man-made. Then, using a variety of natural rocks we made careful observations using magnifying glasses and used oil pastels to draw them. In our PE lesson, we enjoyed creating asymmetrical and symmetrical shapes in balances. This term, during our reading lessons, we will be reading one of our Y3 book recommendations – *The Iron Man*. After reading the blurb at the back of the book, we were left intrigued by the character and talked about what might happen in the story. We then followed a video of the illustrator Chris Mould and drew our own illustrations of the Iron Man. What a busy four days it has been! Well done Year 3, keep up the wonderful work. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Nagra, Mrs Murphy and Miss Williams



Year 4

First of all, Mrs Amphlett, Miss Dangi and I would like to say a very big thank you for all the lovely gifts that we received before we broke up – thank you so much. On Tuesday, it was great to welcome all the children back to school and hear about everything that they had been up to over the Christmas break. In our learning this week, we have continued our work on multiplication and division. The children have been learning how to multiply or divide 2- or 3-digit numbers by a single digit number. Knowing your times tables facts is crucial for this so please continue to support your child to learn their times tables at home – TTRockstars is perfect for this. In our English lessons, the children have been enjoying the book *The Wolves in the Walls*. They have been learning how to use dialogue in a story and how to write a sentence with a relative clause. As historians, we have started a new topic on the Anglo-Saxons. In this week's history lesson, the children have found out where the Anglo-Saxons came from and have placed some key events on a timeline. In PSHE, the children have been thinking about and discussing how everyday situations can affect their feelings. In our Wednesday PE lessons this half-term, we will be doing gymnastics in the hall. Understandably this week, given the cold weather, some of the children had tights on underneath their joggers. For gymnastics, the children are expected to do this in their bare feet. Therefore, please could all children wear socks rather than tights for Wednesday PE. Next week, on Thursday, swimming lessons will start again. Also, next week, we will be welcoming a PGCE student teacher to Year 4, Miss Duffy-Moriarty. Well done, Year 4 - a great first week back and lots to look forward to this term. Mr Kelley, Mrs Amphlett and Miss Dangi

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Year 5

What a fabulous first week back Year 5 have had! It's been an exciting start to the term, and the children have already shown great enthusiasm in their learning. In English, we've been creating chilly and chilling setting descriptions inspired by *The Dreadful Menace*. In maths, we've been working on adding and subtracting mixed numbers, and the children have shown great progress and perseverance. In geography, we've begun our new topic on Egypt, using our map skills to identify and plot both physical and human features of the country. In RE, we will be looking at Sikhi worldviews and have begun exploring what is unique to Sikh beliefs. We've also started learning about First Aid, focusing on how we can assist a casualty and get help in an emergency situation. This important skill is something we will continue to build upon in the coming weeks. Our new class story is *Kofi and The Rap Battle Summer*, which we voted for from the Coventry Inspiration Book Awards Shortlist. It was a very close vote, and the children are thoroughly enjoying learning about life in 1994 - it's sparked some fascinating discussions. Thank you all for such a fantastic start to the New Year - we are so proud of each and every one of you - keep up the great work! Mrs Aston, Mrs Reihill, and Miss Cleveland

Year 6

Firstly, I would like to welcome everyone back after the holidays. I hope everyone had a restful break and made the most of their well-deserved time off. It has been wonderful to have the children back in school and see normality resume and it's been great to see everyone return so keen and ready to learn - I have high hopes for a fantastic start to our spring term moving forwards.

As writers, the children have been refreshing their understanding of speech and dialogue in their writing. They have been exploring a range of ideas including using dialogue to move the action forward by creating suspense or surprises. They also learnt about how characters can be described through the way in which they speak such as the difference between how Hagrid might talk compared with Harry. It's been a wonderful creative experience that has enabled the children to produce some fantastic pieces of writing. As mathematicians, the children have been introduced to ratio. They have learnt to describe examples, represent ratio as sentences and have begun to explore how this idea links to multiplication, division and fractions. During computing, the children were learning about variables and how they can be implemented into a game. The children created a variable called 'score' and created a program which increased or decreased its score whenever it was pressed. The children look forward to continuing development on their games next week. Despite their history lesson not beginning until next week, the children were keen to explore war time artifacts that Mr. Young had brought into the classroom including a World War 2 fighter pilot helmet, artillery rangefinder and compass that could have been mounted on a Lancaster Bomber – the children look forward to learning more about these primary resources next week.

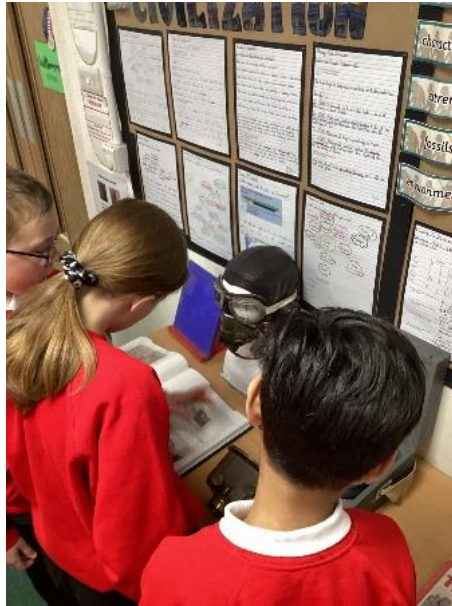
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Bronze Awards for week ending 10th January 2025



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Congratulations!
Happy
NEW YEAR
2025

Well Done

Perfect Attendance

Attendance Chart w/e 10/01/25

Year	Percentage
1 st	5 94.4%
2 nd	6 94%
3 rd	3&4 93.3%
4 th	1 91.4%
5 th	2 91.3%
6 th	R 89.6%

**Well Done
Year 5!**

*You are
amazing*



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Clubs Spring Term 2025

Start Date	Day	Activity	Year Groups	Led by	Cost
13 th Jan	Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Lego Club	Y2-6	Vicky from Cre8fun	£5 per class
	Monday 12:30 – 1:00	Spanish	Y1-3	Joy from Bilingua Sing	£4.50 per class
	Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Football	Y4-6	Mr Beech	£10 per term
14 th Jan	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Football	Y2/3	Mr Beech	£10 per term
	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Netball	Y4-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
	Tuesday 8:00 – 8:45	Dance	Y2-6	Liz Wison Dance	£60 per term
15 th Jan	Wednesday 8:00 – 8:45	Badminton	Y3-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
	Wednesday 3:30 – 4:30	Games	Y1/2	Mr Beech	£10 per term
16 th Jan	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Hockey	Y4-6	Mr Beech	£10 per term
	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Ball Skills	YR-2	Mr Beech	£10 per term
16 th Jan	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Arts & Crafts	R-2	Vicky from Cre8fun	£5 per class
16 th Jan	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Art Club	3-6	Mrs Murphy	£10 per term
Music Lessons offered during the school day:					
	Thursday	Drum Lessons	Years 2 – 6	Coventry Music Service	£17.90 to £49.50 per month, depending on frequency of lessons and group or individual lessons Contact Coventry Music Service for more information

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Term Dates 2024/2025

Autumn Term (2024)

Monday 2 nd September	INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd September	First day of term
Friday 25 th October	INSET Day
Monday 28 th October to Friday 1 st November	Half Term
Monday 4 th November	Children return to school
Friday 20 th December	Last day of term
Monday 23 rd December to Friday 3 rd January	Christmas Holidays

Spring Term (2025)

Monday 6 th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th January	First day of term
Monday 17 th February to Friday 21 st February	Half Term
Monday 24 th February	Children return to school
Friday 11 th April	Last day of term
Monday 14 th April to Friday 25 th April	Easter Holidays

Summer Term (2025)

Monday 28 th April	First day of term
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 26 th May to Friday 30 th May	Half Term
Monday 2 nd June	INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd June	Children return to school
Friday 18 th July	Last day of term
Monday 21 st July	INSET Day