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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has seen the return of our extra-curricular clubs. Mrs Amphlett reports that approximately half of our children are now attending one of our clubs. Ranging from dance to Spanish, from basketball to madlabs science, there is something for everyone! There are still a small number of places available for some clubs. You can find the full list on our school website along with information on how to sign up to music lessons through Coventry Music.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mr Ray

Each week, we share a new word with the children to develop their vocabulary.		
Could you use it at home this weekend?		
Word of the	auburn	
Week		
Definition	reddish-brown colour	
Synonyms	copper	

### **Dates for your diary**

When	Who	What
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Year 6	Willersley Castle Residential Information Talk with
		Mr Young (3pm start in the hall)
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 1	New to Year 1 Parent workshop 3pm start
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	KS2 Parents	Homework workshop for parents/carers (2:45pm
		start in the hall)
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception	Early Reading workshop for parents/carers (2:45pm
	Parents	start in the hall)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Year R, 1 & 2	We are offering a taster meal for every child in KS1
		see letter below for details.
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Year 4	Trip to Lunt Fort
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Years 3, 4, 5, 6	Trip to Belgrave Theatre to see Michael Rosen
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 5	Trip to local churches
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Whole School	Individual Photos
27 <sup>th</sup> October – 31 <sup>st</sup>	Whole School	Half Term Holiday
October		
3 <sup>rd</sup> November – 5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6	Willersley Castle Residential
November		
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School	Last day of school for the Autumn Term

#### Letters sent home this week

Year Group(s)	Regarding	
Year 5	Westwood Church Visit	



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#### Choir

Next week, Miss Brett will be re-starting our school choir. Children in Years 3 to 6 are welcome to join the choir, with weekly choir practice taking place during Wednesday lunchtime at 12:30. Please speak to Miss Brett for more information.

#### Coats

As we head into Autumn, the weather can be very mixed! Please ensure your child has a coat, clearly named, in school each day.

#### **Kenilworth School Open Evening**

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October, Kenilworth School is holding an open evening for all Year 6 children. The evening will run from 5pm to 8pm. There will be three talks in the main hall which are ticketed entry (300 per talk): 1<sup>st</sup> talk 5.15pm; 2<sup>nd</sup> 6.15pm; 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.15pm. Tickets are not required for parents and children who would like to just walk around the school to see the different departments. This will be followed by three open mornings from 9am to 10am on Monday 13th, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Again these are ticketed events with 45 tickets available for each morning. Tickets can be acquired by clicking on the pop up window on our website: www.ksn.org.uk

#### **Westwood Academy Open Evening**

Miss Hatch, Headteacher at Westwood, would like to thank families for attending the Open Evening this week. If you didn't manage to make it, their presentation can be found on their website under the heading, transition.

#### **Celebrating our Learning**

#### Reception

The children in Reception have had another brilliant week with their learning. This week we introduced our school values and focused on the value of 'Respect'. We talked about its meaning and discussed how we can all show it. Over the last couple of weeks, we have really got to know the children and had fun with lots of different activities. A popular game has been playing 'Who's under the blanket?' to get to know each other's names. The children really impressed us with their drawing and cutting skills this week by creating Incy Wincy Spider, Humpty Dumpty and many more characters from different nursery rhymes. In phonics we have used out listening skills to identify different sounds. Next week, we will be learning the sounds for 's' and 'a', and we will be practicing forming the letters in different ways. In maths, we have carried out assessments with the children, in preparation to start learning how to group different objects next week. We have also looked at numbers 1-5 and used cubes to build them, just like the Numberblocks! We have started to learn about the four season we have in the UK, and the children showed so much enjoyment and excitement with going on a walk around the school grounds to spot signs of Autumn. From next week, we will be sending home phonics worksheets relating to what the children have learnt that week in school. We would really appreciate your support with helping your child with this at home.

Quick reminder – Please send in a pair of wellies that can stay in school (if you haven't already).

Well done Reception! We are so proud of you and are looking forward to another fun and exciting week of learning. Miss Swain, Miss Bullock and Miss French

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Year 1

Another fabulous week for Year 1. They continue to impress all the teachers with how well they are settling into their Year 1 routines. In English, we explored adjectives and used them to create and describe our own colour monster. We had spotty ones, stripey ones, happy ones and kind ones. In maths, we have been recapping our learning from Reception of Place Value within 10. We have counted objects in large groups, counted on from any number and learnt how to spell numbers 0-10 as words. It's been a busy week! In science, we continued our investigation of materials and had a go at matching objects to the materials they are made from. In RE, we explored the learning question *What does it mean to live well together?* We discussed different values that we follow at school and at home, and then we decided which ones are most important to us individually. We all agreed that respect, treating others how you would like to be treated, is really important. In geography, we are still enjoying learning about the UK. This week, we learnt the names of each capital city for the four countries of the UK. This week was 'thinking week' in Book Talk. We discussed who the characters and predicted what we think might happen next.

In music, we are enjoying learning about the pulse of a song and how to keep a steady beat. We are having so much fun listening to different songs and exploring different musical elements. We hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing you on Monday! Miss Brett and Miss Delargy









Vear 2

What another fantastic week of learning in Year 2. In our English lessons, the children have been planning and starting to write a set of instructions on 'How to train a dragon' based on the Julia Donaldson book - Zog. We have written our opening paragraph for our instructions and will focus on the rest of the instructions next week. We have also started our reading comprehension lessons based around the story of The Rainbow Fish. We have focused on 'retrieval' questions, where the children have to find the answer within the text. The children enjoyed being detectives looking for the answers and it was great to see how much they children were able to remember from the story already.



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In maths, continuing with our theme of place value, we have explored flexibly partitioning two-digit numbers into different for example 50 +4 and 40+14 both give us the answer of 54. The class have been looking at intervals on a number line and considered the numbers that lie between multiples of 10 on either side of the number line. The children used their knowledge of counting in multiples of 10 to label number lines. As historians this week, we have been looking at what caused the fire in London. We became detectives during the afternoon and looked at a range of different sources to find out what happened on Pudding Lane. The children were amazed and intrigued by the fact that the oven used in Thomas Farrnier's bakery in 1666 didn't have doors and as a result of this a spark flew out of the oven which caused the fire. As scientists, the children had a great morning exploring our school grounds on Wednesday to answer the question - 'What plants grow in our local area?' We were lucky enough to be joined by Mr Higgs and he was able to share his expertise with the class. The class were very thankful for his time and knowledge. The children were amazed to find so many different species of plant in our school grounds and it was lovely to see the children showing enjoyment especially when they had found a particular plant. In PE this week, the children have been focusing on their gymnastic skills particularly looking at rolls. Both Miss Bullock and Mr Beech were impressed with their children gymnastics skills and enjoyment throughout the afternoon. In computing the children have looked at information in the world and how there IT everywhere both inside and outside. The children found it interesting that every job involve some sort of IT to support them within their role. Keep up the amazing work Year 2 and have a lovely weekend. Miss Softic and Mrs Akthar



Year 3

What a lovely week of learning we have had in Year 3. In our learning of story writing, we practised how to use inverted commas to show speech and how to use paragraphs using the acronym TipTop. As writers, we planned and wrote our stories, which were inspired by Handa's Surprise. We enjoyed discovering the different animals that live in the African savannah and included them in our stories, which were great twists to the original story. Next week, we will be researching facts about animals found in the savannah. If children would like to, they can begin their research at home and bring their notes into school.



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As mathematicians, we built on our knowledge of the standard way of partitioning numbers and discovered we can break down numbers using a variety of different ways i.e. use flexible partitioning. We used place value charts to help us describe numbers. For example, 253 as being 2 hundreds, 5 tens and 3 ones. During our RE lesson, we discovered how nature and seasons have been central to Christian worldviews. In our learning of computing systems, we learned about the different parts that make up a digital device. We classified input and output devices, designed our own digital device and described the process of how it works. As athletes, we learned how to hurdle consistently by taking off with one foot and landing on the other. This week, we also thoroughly enjoyed using the glockenspiels with Miss Brett, and look forward to learning how to read musical notation and compose our own music. Well done, Year 3. We wish you all a great weekend. Mrs Nagra and Miss Roberts













#### Year 4

This week, the children have really impressed us with the quality of their writing. They have written their own versions of the story of Romulus and Remus from ancient Roman times. They have included: paragraphs; expanded noun phrases for added descriptive detail; and have used fronted adverbials to start their sentences. Well done Year 4 – fantastic writing. In our maths lessons this week, the class have continued to learn about place value. They have learnt about partitioning flexibly; finding 1, 10, 100 or 1000 more or less than a number; estimating where a number would go on a numberline; and comparing different numbers up to 10,000. Next week, we will be learning about ordering numbers, Roman numerals and rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000. As scientists, the children carried out an experiment to find out if gases weigh anything. First of all, the children weighed a glass of lemonade. Then, they stirred it to make it go flat and weighed it again. They were surprised to find out that the weight of the lemonade had decreased, proving that the carbon dioxide gas in the lemonade did weigh something. In our history lesson, the children learnt about the Roman army and why they were so effective.

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In computing, the children made their own computer network and in RE, they found out why Muslims fast. To help at home, please can you make sure that your child completes their Lbq and Spelling Shed home learning each week and that they read regularly, completing their reading diary too. Well done Year 4 — what a good week. Mr Kelley, Mrs Amphlett, Miss Dangi and Miss Williams









#### Year 5

Year 5 have had a brilliant week of learning. In maths, we have continued to learn about place value, working with numbers up to one million. We have been partitioning, using number lines, comparing and ordering. This has involved playing some dice games to secure our understanding. We have begun to round numbers, which we will continue with next week. In English this week, we have been looking at the features of an explanation text. We read through different explanations, highlighting the vocabulary features and how the text is organised. We looked at explanations for machines and inventions. Everyone had a go at designing and explaining a Teacher Pleaser machine! These included lots of great ideas like tea on tap, heaters, a secret stash of cookies! If only these were real! In RE, we learnt that some people with a Christian world view celebrate the incarnation of Jesus, which is why we have Christmas. Both people with or without a Christian world view might have particular traditions at this time. As scientists, we carried out some practical experiments to help us understand the force of gravity. We found out that Sir Isaac Newton discovered gravity. Weight is measured in Newtons and this shows the force that is exerted on an object by gravity. Mass in measured in grammes. We used scales and Newton meters to find the mass and weight of different objects. In geography, we followed up our trip to Tesco by locating all the countries we found food from on a world map, noting the continents each country is part of too. We also thought about how far our food has travelled and the pros and cons of this. Using an online food calculator, we found out how many miles different foods had travelled. Well done Year 5, for a great week! Mrs Aston, Mrs Reihill and Mrs Cleveland







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#### Year 6

Year 6 have been working incredibly hard across all of their subject areas this week and I am excited to share some of their highlights with you.

As writers, the children have been putting the finishing touches to their descriptive writing pieces based on aspects of the fictional city of Gotham. Some of the children even learnt to describe Batman from the point of view of a frustrated detective and learnt to describe what was going on in his mind using metaphors. The end results were fantastic and it was a joy to read all of their wonderful ideas and vocabulary.

As mathematicians, the children were learning to round significantly larger numbers including rounding to 10,000 and 100,000. The children then began exploring negative numbers and learnt about the real-world contexts of them including sea level and temperature. The children explored a range of ways to solve negative number problems including number lines and an illustrative model to further reinforce their understanding.

Within computing, the children were learning about how information is transferred over the internet. They discovered that data is sent in virtual packets containing headers and payloads. They learnt that data is broken up prior to delivery and reconstructed by the end user's machine and they simulated this by creating and sending their own data packets. Great work everyone.

As historians, the children were learning about the various ancient Islamic empires including Rashidun, Umayyad and Abbasid. The children explored a timeline to understand that these periods in history varied in length and the children then had to match a purposely cryptic description of each caliphate to its correct name.

As always, thank you for your support. We hope you all have a lovely well-deserved rest this weekend Mr. Young and Mrs. Kailey







# Our Achievers for the week ending 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025



### Our Stars of the w/e 19th September 2025

week!



Year 1 - Felicity Year 2 - Ava Year 3 - Henri Year 5 - Max Year 6 - Dylan





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# Assembly Awards for week ending 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025





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Dear Parent and Carers,

To celebrate Census Day, we shall be offering a special 'Taster Day' menu all of KS1 on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025. If your child normally brings a packed lunch, they can do so, but if they wish to sample this special one-off menu then it will be available to them on this day.



ICE CHOOMS

#### Main Choices will be:

Chicken & BBQ Pizza

Or

Cheese & Tomato Pizza



Curly Fries, Peas or Baked Beans & Tomato Sauce





Ice-Cream

Or

Fruit



This is an ideal opportunity for your child to try a school lunch and see what great value they represent, no pre-order required!



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### Clubs Autumn Term 2025

Start Date	Day	Activity	Year Groups	Led by	Cost	
15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Musical Theatre	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website	
	Monday 12:30 – 1:00	Spanish	Y1-3	Joy from Bilingua Sing	£4.75 per class	
	Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Football	4-6	Mr Beech	£10 per term	
16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	<b></b> Multi-Sports	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website	
	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Netball	Y4-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term	
	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Hockey	Y3-5	Mr Beech	£10 per term	
	Tuesday 8:00 – 8:45	Dance	Y2-6	Liz Wison Dance	£60 per term	
17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Wednesday 8:00 – 8:45	Badminton	3-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term	
	Wednesday 3:30 – 4:30	Madlabs Science	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website	
	Wednesday 3:30 – 4:30	<b>Å</b> Games	Y1-3	Mr Beech	£10 per term	
18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	<b>F</b> Gymnastics	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website	
	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Multiskills	Y1-3	Miss Bullock	£10 per term	
	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Basketball	Y4-6	Mr Beech	£10 per term	
9 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Friday 3:30 – 4:30	Fun & Games	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website	
	Music Lessons offered during the school day:					
	Wednesday Thursday/Friday	Drums Flute/Keyboard	Years 2 – 6	Coventry Music Service	Please see website for cost	



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### Term Dates 2025/2026

Autumn Term (2025)

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Monday 1st September	INSET Day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	INSET Day
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	First day of term
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Half Term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Children return to school
Friday 19th December	Last day of term
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Christmas Holidays

Spring Term (2026)

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET Day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	First day of term
Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February	Half Term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Children return to school
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays

Summer Term (2026)

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of term
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term
Monday 1st June	INSET Day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Children return to school
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET Day