



Newsletter No 2, 11th September 2026

Message from the Head Teacher

It has certainly been a busy first full week back at school! It has been lovely to see the children return and settle so well into the routines of school.

Our Year 6 children have successfully completed their secondary school transfer testing, commonly known as the 11+, and they should all be very proud of the way they have approached this important week.

I am also pleased to let you know that Mrs Riley has joined us as our Year 3 Support Assistant, alongside her role as the Manager of Friends at Play. It is lovely to have her back with us in school during the day.

Mrs Schmull, who worked with us in Nursery last half term, has now extended her hours. She will continue to support the children in Nursery and will also be working as part of the Reception team.

Some of you may have noticed that Mr Quelch is currently not in school. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming him back as soon as he is well enough. In the meantime, I am covering his teaching commitment in Year 4.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Mr Dodd

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Start and End of School Day

Drop off times:- 8.30am - 8.40am	Nursery 8.45am
Pick up times:- 3.05pm – 3.15pm	Nursery 2.45pm

If you are late dropping off your child, they must be signed in at the school office to ensure they are registered as being on site.

Parking

With regard to consideration of our neighbours, please can I take this opportunity to request that we start the term as we mean to continue. Parking should take place considerately, on the opposite side of the road to the school, taking note of any road markings. **Please do not use the school or Village Hall entrances to turn your car around, particularly at the very busy drop off and pick up times.** It is better to park considerately and walk your child a little further than cause disruption to our neighbours. When parked up, please remember to turn off your engine to help keep the car emissions low as we are an eco-conscious school. Thank you in advance.

Forgotten items

We encourage the children to be independent from an early age and ask parents to support us in this. Children are more likely to remember next time if you don't bring in forgotten items.

Illness and Medication

The NHS website is a useful resource for looking up ailments and deciding whether your child should be kept off school: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

Should your child require prescribed medication to be administered at school, please take the medication to the school office where you will be able to complete the appropriate paperwork. Please do not send your child in with medication in their bag.

If your child has been sick or has had diarrhoea, they should be kept at home for 48 hours after the last episode of illness. Although your child will probably feel much better before that, it is important to keep them at home to limit the spread of illnesses to other pupils and staff.

PE

If your child is to be excused from PE, we need this in writing. If it is to be long term, we will require a doctor's letter.

Water bottles

It is very important that your child is sufficiently hydrated during the school day, and therefore they may bring a bottle of water into the classroom. Please ensure that these are named, transparent and have a sports style cap in order to avoid accidental spillages.

SEN Support Plans

We are pleased to share that we will be trialling a new approach to creating SEND Support Plans. Our aim is to work more closely with parents and ensure that you have an opportunity to contribute to your child's plan from the very beginning.

Before our next Pupil Progress Meetings, parents of pupils who have a SEND Support Plan will be invited to meet with their child's Class Teacher and Mrs Gudka, our Inclusion Co-ordinator. Together, we will discuss your child's strengths, needs and progress, agree on the support and targets that will form their new plan.

This approach means that, rather than the school creating a plan independently and then sharing it with you, parents will be actively involved in developing the plan from the outset. We hope this will strengthen our partnership with families and ensure that everyone has a shared understanding of how we can best support your child.

We hope you will see this as a positive step forward, and we look forward to working even more closely with you to help your child achieve their best.

FOLKS Uniform Donations

FOLKS would welcome donations of the following for their pre-loved uniform sales:

Branded Jumpers
School Fleeces
Girls skirts
School Shoes

Branded Cardigans
Boys trousers
Trainers

We appreciate all donations but please ensure they are of reasonable quality and do not have stains or holes etc.

We are not taking Summer dresses, plymsols or shorts at the moment.

Achievement Assembly

Certificates of Merit

Awarded To	Class	Awarded For
Everyone	Reception	Resilience
Max	Year 1	Respect
Maya	Year 2	Kindness
Remi	Year 3	All of our values
Aoife	Year 4	Ambition and Creativity
Rezwana`	Year 5	Ambition and Respect
Alison-Rose	Year 6	Respect

Picture News



In the news this week

Between 2nd and 6th September, more than 100 of the world's best cyclists competed in the Tour of Britain Men. The five-day race began in Lincoln and travelled through Lincolnshire and Yorkshire, before finishing in the Scottish Borders on 6th September. In the men's event, the cyclists cover nearly 900 kilometres, tackling steep hills and challenging conditions along the way. Thousands have been gathering along the route to watch and cheer the riders on.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Can you think of a time when something felt difficult, but you kept going?
- > What helped you to persevere?
- > Who encourages you when you face a challenge?
- > When might taking a break or asking for help be the best next step?



UN Rights of the Child



All children have the right to play and enjoy leisure activities, such as cycling and watching sporting events.



Week commencing 14th September ... at a glance

Monday	Meet the Teacher 3.15pm
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	Y5 Forest schools