



Newsletter No 5, 2nd October 2026

Message from the Head Teacher

It has been lovely to see the children settling into the new academic year and getting stuck into their learning. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for your continued support.

At the beginning of the week, I shared a link to our parent survey. Thank you to everyone who has already taken the time to complete it. Your feedback is incredibly valuable to us and helps us to continue to develop and improve our school. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to complete the survey, there is still time. The survey will close at **midday on Monday**, so we would really appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete it.

Monday is also an exciting day as we will be holding our first **Stop and Share** of the academic year. Parents and carers of children in **Years 1 to 6** are warmly invited to come along straight after school and spend some time with their child, giving them the opportunity to share the work they have been completing so far this year.

These events are always such a special part of the school year. From previous Stop and Share events, I know just how proud and excited the children are to show you their work and talk about their learning. It really means a lot to them to have you there to celebrate their achievements with them. We are very much looking forward to welcoming as many of you as possible on Monday and sharing in this special moment with our pupils.

Have fantastic weekend

Mr Dodd

News

Macmillan Coffee Morning.

Thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning today. It was lovely to see you all and for such a worthy cause. We will let you know how much we have raised. If you could not attend and would like to donate, then please click on the link below to the fundraising page.

[Will you donate to Macmillan Coffee Morning 2026?](#)

BBC 500 words story competition

The UK's biggest children's story-writing competition for 5-11 year-olds is open for entries and closes 9pm, Friday 6 November 2026. The competition celebrates children's creativity and imagination, encouraging children from across the UK to **create an original story in 500 words or fewer**. You can find inspiration for your story and details of how to enter here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words>

We would also love to read your stories in school - please bring them in to share with your teacher and your class at story time.

Library opening

Mrs Lewis will be opening the library after school on Tuesdays this term. Parents are very welcome to visit with their children.

Achievement Assembly

Certificates of Merit		
Awarded To	Class	Awarded For
Thomas	Reception	Ambition and Creativity
Muntaha	Year 1	Ambition
Alexander	Year 2	Ambition and Resilience
All of Year 3	Year 3	Ambition and Respect
Jessica	Year 4	Respect
Evie N	Year 5	Kindness
Esmae	Year 6	All of our Values

Picture News



In the news this week

The Bayeux Tapestry is a nearly 1,000-year-old very long piece of cloth covered with pictures sewn in colourful thread that tells the story of a very famous event called the Norman Conquest of England. The almost 70-metre-long piece of art has travelled from its usual home in France, to go on display at the British Museum in London. It shows the events leading up to the Battle of Hastings in 1066, and depicts soldiers, horses and ships.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Which stories are important to your family and how have these stories been passed from one person to another?
- Do we have any photographs or objects that tell part of our family's story?
- What do you think we can learn from different types of stories? E.g., written, photos or ones we retell.



UN Rights of the Child



The Bayeux Tapestry shows the events leading up to the Battle of Hastings, reminding us that all children have the right to be protected during times of war.



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Week commencing 5th October ... at a glance

Monday	Stop and Share
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	Y5 Forest schools