

Newsletter No 6, 9th October 2026

Message from the Head Teacher

We know that birthdays and special celebrations are exciting occasions for children, and many families kindly wish to mark these events by sending sweets, cakes or party bags into school to share with classmates. We are always grateful for the thoughtfulness and generosity behind these gestures.

However, I would like to take this opportunity to gently remind all parents and carers that we do not allow sweets, party bags or other confectionery items to be distributed in class. As a school, we work hard to promote healthy lifestyles and positive eating habits, and the giving of sweets during the school day does not align with this aim. In addition, restrictions relating to allergies, dietary requirements and individual family preferences can make the distribution of food items difficult to manage safely and fairly.

We appreciate that this may be disappointing for some children who are keen to celebrate with their friends. Parents are, of course, welcome to celebrate birthdays and special occasions outside of school time. In school, we ensure that children celebrating a birthday are acknowledged and made to feel special by their classmates and teachers.

Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain a healthy, inclusive and safe environment for all pupils. By working together, we can continue to promote the positive habits and values that benefit every child in our school community.

Have lovely weekend



Mr Dodd

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Home School Agreement

This week, we have sent out our Home School Agreement via parentmail. This outlines the partnership between the school, parents and carers and pupils. By working together, we create a safe, supportive and ambitious environment where every child can thrive. Please indicate on the form on parentmail that you have read the agreement and will abide by the details within it.

No staff led clubs next week

A reminder that due to pupil progress meetings, there will be no staff led clubs on any day after school next week.

Supporting Learning at Home

We are very fortunate to have access to a range of excellent online learning platforms that can help children practise key skills, build confidence and develop independence in their learning. Our online platforms provide engaging activities across the curriculum, including reading, writing, maths, computing and problem-solving and can be accessed from home at a time that suits your family.

Just a few minutes of regular practice can make a significant difference. Every opportunity to revisit and practise learning helps to reinforce skills taught in school.
Attached is a guide explaining each platform and how it can be used effectively at home. We hope you find it useful and encourage you to explore these resources with your child. Thank you for your continued support in helping us create positive learning habits both in school and at home.

Harvest Collection

This week, a member of the local One Can Trust in High Wycombe came to talk to the pupils about the work the charity does in the local community at this time of harvest. We will be holding a collection next week and would be very grateful for any donations you are able to give. The attached flyer gives an indication of the items the Trust are particularly keen to have (although razors are one of the items, for health and safety reasons, please do not bring these to school). Please remember that they cannot accept alcohol, homemade food, opened items, out of date items and food that requires refrigeration or freezing.

Donations can be taken straight to the DT room or given to class teachers by Thursday 15th October. We thank you in advance for your generous donations.

Macmillan coffee morning

Thank you to everyone who helped, attended, baked, bought and donated for our Macmillan Coffee morning last week. It was lovely to catch up with some of our families, governors and staff over something to eat and drink. Thank you to everyone who entered our game of 'guess the number of sweets in the jar'. The lucky winners received a generous gift from Kingshill Kitchen and The Full Moon Pub. Altogether as a school community we raised over £300 and the donation page is still open for anyone else wanting to donate. We hope this will go some way to support all the amazing work that Macmillan do for so many members of our community. Thank you again.

FOLKS Fundraising Lunch

The FOLKS team will be hosting a Pizza & Hot Dog Lunch on Thursday 22nd October. There will be no Kids Lunch Co lunches provided on that day so a packed lunch will be needed for any children without a FOLKS lunch order. All pizza and hot dog meals must be ordered through parentmail by 9pm on Monday 19th October. After the deadline, no meals can be added as FOLKS will need to purchase the food and you will need to provide a packed lunch for your child.

For children in Reception – Year 2, the cost of the meal is covered by universal free school meals, but you must still place an order.

Achievement Assembly

Certificates of Merit		
Awarded To	**Class**	**Awarded For**
Izzy	Reception	Ambition and Respect
Ethan	Year 1	Respect
Harry M	Year 2	Ambition
Charlie	Year 3	Creativity
Ariah	Year 4	Respect
Aieko	Year 5	Ambition and Creativity
Harriet	Year 6	Creativity

Picture News



In the news this week

The government has announced plans to make food served in schools across England healthier from September 2027. Under the proposed rules, schools would serve more fruit, vegetables and fibre-rich foods, while deep-fried foods and foods containing lots of fat, sugar or salt would be restricted. Schools would still offer familiar meals, but they would use healthier ingredients and cooking methods.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Who usually decides what your family eats at home? Do you take turns? Does everyone help choose meals?
- What are some of the things you think are important to consider when choosing what we eat?
- If you could suggest one new school meal, what would it be?

UN Rights of the Child

All children have the right to nutritious food and support to help them stay healthy.



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Week commencing 12th October … at a glance

Monday	Y4 Egyptian workshop
Tuesday	Y2 Great Fire of London workshop. No Cross Country club. Pupil Progress meetings
Wednesday	No Maths or Italian clubs. Pupil Progress meetings
Thursday	No Netball or Newspaper club
Friday	Y5 Forest schools