



Friday 1st May 2026

Our vision is 'Let your light shine'. The rainbow symbolises God's unconditional love for each individual. We seek to reflect that light in all we do: in our community, both local and wider, in our communication, both word and action, with curiosity and courage, and with care and compassion for everyone, inspiring a love of learning.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, our KS2 Choir had the incredible opportunity to perform at the Royal Albert Hall alongside approximately 1,400 singers from 52 primary schools across Buckinghamshire. The children took part in the second half of the programme, performing *Sing Me A Picture* - a newly commissioned work composed and directed by Laura Druce. The pieces were inspired by pieces of artwork and the children's own responses to them. One of the songs, Garrowby Hill, inspired by Hockney's painting of the same name, included lyrics by our own Year Five pupils who participated in a special workshop with Laura earlier in the year.

The children sang and performed brilliantly, and we could not be prouder of them. It was a privilege to accompany the group on this unforgettable trip. One of the most memorable moments was watching their awe and wonder as they stood at the very top of the auditorium, looking down at the stage they were about to perform on - simply saying, "wow." Another pupil described it as "the best singing experience they had ever had!"

A special thank you to Mr Thompson, Mrs Collard and Mrs Parker whose dedication, encouragement, and hard work over the last few months made this extraordinary opportunity possible. Thank you also to all of the parents for supporting your children and the event.



On Tuesday this week, parents from across the school joined Miss Webb for an engaging and interactive workshop on managing extreme emotions. During the session, we explored the "full cup" analogy, considering the many demands placed on children and how these can build up, sometimes leading to overwhelming feelings.

Parents also took part in a practical activity designed to simulate sensory overload, giving them first-hand insight into how this can feel. This prompted thoughtful discussion about emotional responses and what can happen when we don't yet have the tools to manage them effectively. The workshop also introduced the "flip the lid" model, helping parents understand how the brain reacts to different stimuli, alongside a range of practical strategies to try at home.

Our next SEND coffee morning will take place on Tuesday 2nd June, focusing on transitions - both between year groups and the move to secondary school, and the session will be led by a guest speaker, Jetara, from the Mental Health Support Team.

Thank you for your continued support – enjoy the bank holiday weekend!

Mrs Samantha Dimbleby

Headteacher

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Child of the Week

All our children seek to 'Let their light shine' as they reflect our Christian values in their daily life. Many congratulations to the following children this week who have shone particularly brightly and been awarded 'Child of the Week':

Reception: Noah & Aleena
Year 1: Patrick & Zara
Year 2: Ben & Ethan
Year 3: Imogen & Lewis
Year 4: Alex & Darcey
Year 5: Georgia & Oliver
Year 6: Grace & Seth



Reader of the Week



Each week, teachers nominate a child who has shown fantastic effort and progress in their reading — whether through home reading, Accelerated Reader, phonics, or class work. Our *Readers of the Week* are celebrated in Collective Worship and also get to take home the Book Buddy Bag.

This week's Readers of the Week are: Serafina R, Joshua , Owen C, Harry K, Fox R, Bea R, Halle B, Rex B, Molly W, Ethan B, Luca F and Harley B.

Well done to all our readers! Keep enjoying your books and sharing stories.

Attendance

Well done to 4VC who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 96.67%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 93.02%.

Accelerated Readers

The following classes have been awarded the Reading Bears this week for completing the most Accelerated Reader Quizzes:

3RE
4VC
5GW
6MP



FOWS

FOWS will be selling ice-creams after school on the KS2 playground. Look out for them today and future Fridays. Hopefully the sun will be shining!



Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child please contact Mrs Samantha Dimbleby, Mrs Katie Epps or Miss Allen via the School Office on 01296 712296 or alternatively if out of school hours, weekends or holidays visit <http://www.bucks-lscb.org.uk/concerned-about-child/> to report your concerns.

Mrs Samantha Dimbleby Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Mrs Katie Epps Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Miss Daisy Allen Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Child Protection Governor Mr David Shaw	

What can we do even better as a school?

If you have any comments or suggestions, please do get in contact with Mrs Dimbleby via the school office, or better still, come and chat to her at the start or the end of the day on the playground



Diary Dates

Please find below our summer term calendar of events for your immediate attention. This will be published on our school website and updated as appropriate over the coming weeks.

Date	Event	Year Group
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed	Whole School
Tuesday 5 th May	Visiting Author – KS2	Year Three, Four, Five and Six
Wednesday 6 th May	Quad Kids Sports Festival at Waddesdon School	Year Five and Year Six
wc Monday 11 th May	KS2 SATS Week	Year Six
Tuesday 12 th May	11+ Meeting for Year 5 Parents	Year Five
Monday 18 th May (3:30 – 4:30pm)	Y5 Relationships and Sex Education Meeting	Year Five
wc Monday 18 th May	Walk to School Week	Whole School
Monday 18 th May	Anti-social Behaviour Worskshop with PSCO	Year Five and Year Six
Wednesday 20 th May	EYFS & KS1 Country Dancing	Rainbows, Reception, Year One, Year Two
Friday 22 nd May	Royal Latin Science Festival	Year Five
Friday 22 nd May	Break the Rules Day	Whole School
HALF TERM HOLIDAY (Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May)		
Monday 1 st June	INSET Day	Whole School
Tuesday 2 nd June	Children Return to school	Whole School
Tuesday 2 nd June (9:00am)	Coffee Meeting for parents – Transitions and Moving On	Whole School
wc Monday 1 st June – Friday 12 th June	Y4 Multiplication Checks	Year Four
Thursday 4 th June	SEND Clinic	Whole School
Thursday 4 th June	Knife Crime Workshop	Year Six
Tuesday 9 th June	Visiting Author - Reception and KS1	Reception, Year One and Year Two
Wednesday 10 th June	Times tables Rock Stars Day in KS2	Year Three, Four, Five and Six
Wednesday 10 th June	Rounders Festival at Waddesdon School	Year Five and Year Six
w/c Monday 8 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check	Year One
Tuesday 9 th June (9:00am)	Maths Information Session for Parents	Whole School
Thursday 11 th June	Knife Crime Workshop	Year Five
Thursday 11 th June	Y6 Leavers' Service at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford	Year Six
Friday 12 th June	Whole School Collective Worship at St Laurence Church	Whole School
wc Monday 15 th June	Refugee Week	Whole School
Thursday 18 th June	Reception Trip to Hogshaw Farm	Reception
Friday 19 th June	Year 2 Trip to Waddesdon Manor	Year Two
Friday 19 th June	FOWS – Father's Day Sale	Whole school

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Thursday 25 th June	EYFS and KS1 Church Worship with parents – St Laurence Church	Reception, Year One and Year Two
Thursday 25 th June	Winslow Pupil Talent Show	Whole School
Friday 26 th June	FOWS Mufti-Day	Whole School
Friday 26 th June (3:30pm – 5:30pm)	FOWS Summer Fayre	Whole School
Monday 29 th June	Water Safety Assembly	Whole School
Tuesday 30 th June	EYFS and KS1 Sports Day (am)	Rainbows, Reception, Year One and Year Two
Wednesday 1 st July	KS2 Sports Day – Y3 & Y4 (am), Y5 & Y6 (pm)	Year Three, Year Four, Year Five and Year Six
Friday 3 rd July	Pupil Fundraising Day	Whole School
Tuesday 7 th July	Whole School Transition Day	Whole School
Tuesday 7 th July (3:30pm)	Transition meeting for parents of children moving into Years 1, 3 and 5	Reception, Year Two and Year Four
Wednesday 8 th July (3:30pm)	Transition meeting for parents of children moving into Years 2, 4 and 6	Year One, Year Three and Year Five
Tuesday 7 th and Wednesday 8 th July	Y6 Buckinghamshire Transition Days	Year Six
Date TBC	Bridgebuilder – It's Your Move Y6	Year Six
Thursday 9 th July	Year Six Transition Games at Cottesloe School	Year Six
Friday 10 th July	End of year Reports to Parents	Whole School
Monday 13 th July	Y6 Production (Afternoon performance)	Year Six
Tuesday 14 th July	Y6 Production (Evening performance)	Year Six
Thursday 16 th July (9:00am)	Coffee Meeting for parents of SEND Children	Whole School
Monday 20 th July (Time TBC)	Y6 Leaver's Service at St Laurence Church	Year Six
Wednesday 22 nd July	Last Day of Term	Whole School
SUMMER HOLIDAY Children return on Thursday 3 rd September 2026		

This Term's Value is:

Love to learn

"Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance"

Proverbs 1:5

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