

Spring Newsletter 3

As we move through the half term leading up to Easter, the children have been embracing their learning with enthusiasm, and there is a lovely atmosphere as they take part in the many activities planned over the coming weeks. From creative classroom projects to upcoming celebrations, this is always a special time of year in school, and we're looking forward to sharing their achievements and experiences with you.

Assemblies with Reverend Seaborne

Last Wednesday, we welcomed Reverend Joanna Seaborne from St Giles Church into school to deliver our assemblies. She spoke to the children all about Lent and Easter. The children listened and participated thoughtfully.

Parents Evenings

Due to unavoidable circumstances, Class 9 and 10 parents evening will be held earlier than the rest of the school. Class 10 will be on Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th; Class 9 will be held on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th March. If your child is in any other class, your parents' evenings will be on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th March. A letter will follow soon with details on how to book an appointment with your child's class teacher.

Dukes Barn

Year 4 had a very successfully trip to Dukes Barn just before the half term. The children had a chance to take part in abseiling, canoeing, climbing and an adventure walk. Some of the children even got to see some SNOW! They developed teamwork skills, resilience and self-confidence. A huge thank you to all of the members of staff who helped ensure the children had a fantastic time. We would not be able to run residential without such dedicated staff.

Champion Motto and Passports

The children are rising to the challenge of living out our school motto. I have witnessed so many examples of the children 'championing' themselves and others and it is wonderful to see so many of our champion skills on display. We have already had lots of children achieve their bronze champion award and receive their shiny badges for gaining 9 signatures in their Champion Passports. A huge thank you to our HSA for buying the badges for our new award scheme.

Road safety

As a school community, we all play a part in keeping our children safe. We kindly ask all parents and carers to take extra care when driving near the school, especially during busy drop-off and pick-up times.

Please park considerately and avoid blocking the roads around the school, as this can make it difficult for other families and local residents to move safely. For everyone's safety, please do not stop directly outside the school gates to drop children off, and never drive on the pavements at any time. Pavements must remain safe spaces for children and families walking to school.

A gentle reminder that our school is located on a residential street. To respect our neighbours and reduce pollution, please avoid leaving your engine running for long periods while waiting.

Thank you for helping us keep the area safe and welcoming for all.



Key dates for Spring Term 2026

Monday 9th & Tues 10th March
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Tues 10th & Wed 11th March
Friday 13th March
Friday 20th March

Tuesday 24th March
Tuesday 24th March and
Wednesday 25th March
Friday 27th March

Class 10 parents' evenings
Year 5 Bake Sale at Cottages
Class 9 parents' evenings
Class 8 assembly
Class 5 assembly
Red Nose Day
Year 5 to St Giles
Parents Evenings

STEM day
Rocksteady concert 2pm

Wellbeing Day

Last Tuesday, we had our whole-school Wellbeing Day. Each year group completed different activities linked to wellbeing, such as: birthday cards to think about how we can have a positive impact on others' wellbeing, creating a self-care toolkit, sharing a story about wellbeing and mindfulness activities.

In Years 4 and 6, we were lucky to be joined by Mrs Tilley who shared some activities focused on dealing with emotions. In Year 4, she showed the children how to make worry dolls and how to manage worries. In Year 6, she talked to the children about the science of wellbeing and how important it is.

Mystery Reader

Class 6 were very excited to have their first 'mystery reader' visit their class- thank you to Mr Lazenby. If you would like to take part and visit your child's class to share a book, please contact your child's class teacher on Class Dojo.

This is a great opportunity for to come into school and share much-loved stories. We are really looking forward to seeing who is next!



'Champion Ourselves, Champion Others, Champion our School and Community, Champion the Wider World.'