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13th January 2026

Dear Parent/ Carer,

It was a successful first week back for the children and it has been good for everybody to get back into the usual routine. This week, you should receive information about what your child is learning this term and the details regarding the poetry competition that will be taking place this term.

On Thursday this week, governors will be in school and spending time in classes. They will also be available to speak to families at collection time between 3 and 3:30pm. They will be located by the gazebo on the playground.

Considerate and Safe Road Use

It has been noted that vehicles belonging to parents from Aldryngton have been observed driving down the narrow road between Aldryngton and Maiden Erlegh School at both drop off and collection times. Please note that this is a private road and is part of the Maiden Erlegh School car park. It should not be used by parents to drop off children at drop off and collection times. A large number of pedestrians use this route from both schools and vehicles using this route is increasing the danger for them. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring the safety of the school community.

School Census Day 15th Jan

Thursday 15th Jan will be School Census day. As you will be aware all Foundation Stage, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils are entitled to a free school meal. These meals are paid for by the school using monies provided by the government. The amount given to schools depends on the take-up rate on census days during the year. If take up levels are low on census days we will be funded accordingly regardless of need on other days. If our meals funding creates a shortfall the school will have no option but to use money earmarked for other purposes.

Clearly this is of great concern. However, the way forward is to have all eligible pupils opt for the free school meal on census day thereby ensuring there is no shortfall.

Please consider supporting the school once again by ordering the free Foundation Stage, Year 1 and Year 2 school meal on this day.

If you haven't yet placed your order you can still do this by calling Impact food directly: 0204 542 7221

Illness

It is the time of the year where there are a number of illnesses going about and it can be tricky sometimes to decide whether your child is too ill for school or not. As a general rule, if your child has a temperature, please keep them off until the temperature is back to normal. If there is a sickness/ diarrhoea, please keep them off until 48 hours after the last episode. The NHS has produced a useful guide that goes through most common conditions and what the response should be. I have attached a link to this below:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



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Foundation Stage Admissions 2026/27 Deadline

A reminder to families with children due to start school in September 2026 that the deadline to complete your preferences is on the 15th January.

Events List

Date (Time)	Event
Week beginning 12 th January	Team Newsletters out alongside knowledge organisers
Tuesday 20 th January	Litterbug Club
Friday 23 rd January	PTA Non-Uniform Day
Tuesday 27 th January	Y1 Scooter Training
Week beginning 2 nd February	Children's Mental Health Week-
Tuesday 3 rd February and Thursday 5 th February	US trips to Reading Museum
Thursday 5 th February	Cross Country League
Friday 6 th February	NSPCC Number Day (dress as a number in return for £1 donation to NSPCC)
Week beginning 9 th February	Poetry Competition Finals
Monday 9 th February	Chinese New Year Assembly
Tuesday 10 th February	Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 10 th February	Litterbug Club
Thursday 13 th February	PTA Disco
Week beginning 17 th February	Half Term
Week beginning 23 rd February	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 3 rd March and Thursday 5 th March	Middle School trips to Waltham Farm
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day (Children can come in dressed as a book character)
Thursday 5 th March	US RE Inspired
Week beginning 9 th March	PTA Mother's Day Gift Sales
Monday 9 th March	Lower School Toy Museum 2.30pm
Week beginning 16 th March	Neuro-Diversity Celebration Week

Tuesday 17 th March	Litterbug Club
Tuesday 17 th and Wednesday 18 th March	PTA Easter Egg Hunt
Thursday 19 th March	Cross Country League Relays
Week beginning 23 rd March	Parents' Evening Week
Monday 23 rd March	Foundation Stage RE Inspired
Wednesday 25 th March (2pm)	Foundation Stage Easter Performance
Thursday 26 th March	Middle School Eid Assembly
Friday 27 th March	Last Day of Term Progress reports to parents
Monday 13 th April	Children Return to School
Week beginning 20 th April	Team newsletters out alongside knowledge organisers
Tuesday 28 th April	Litterbug Club
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Week beginning 11 th May	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Thursday 14 th May (6-8pm)	PTA Disco
Friday 15 th May	Middle School Maypole Dancing
Weeks beginning 18 th May	Y6 at Little Canada
Week beginning 18 th May	Multiplication Championship
Tuesday 19 th May	Litterbug Club
Friday 22 nd May	Cultural Diversity Day
Week beginning 26 th May	Half Term
Monday 1 st June	INSET Day
Monday 1 st to Friday 12 th June	Y4 Times Table Check Window
Thursday 4 th June	LS RE Inspired at church
Thursday 4 th June	MS trip to Wisley
Saturday 6 th June	PTA Try-a-Tri
Monday 8 th June	FS RE Inspired
Monday 8 th to Friday 12 th June	Y1 Phonics and Y2 Phonics Retakes Window

Wednesday 10 th June	Class Photographs
Friday 12 th June	KS2 Sports Day
Week beginning 15 th June	PTA Father's Day Gift Sales
Wednesday 17 th June	FS trip to Wooley Firs
Tuesday 23 rd June	Litterbug Club
Week beginning 29 th June	Sports Week
Monday 29 th June (AM)	Inter-House Cross Country- Middle School
Monday 29 th June (1:30pm)	Upper School Swimming Gala
Wednesday 1 st July (1:30pm)	Middle School Swimming Gala
Wednesday 1 st July (AM)	Upper School Cross Country
Thursday 2 nd July (2pm)	Foundation Stage and Lower School Sports Day
Thursday 2 nd July	US RE Inspired
Friday 3 rd July	PTA Make the Rules Non-Uniform Day
Monday 6 th July (2pm)	Upper School Production to Foundation and Lower - dress rehearsal
Tuesday 7 th July	Transition Morning
Wednesday 8 th July (7pm)	Upper School Production to Families
Thursday 9 th July (7pm)	Upper School Production to Families
Tuesday 14 th July	Litterbug Club
Tuesday 21 st July (AM)	Y6 Leavers Assembly to Children
Tuesday 21 st July (PM)	Y6 Leavers Assembly to Parents
Tuesday 21 st July	Last Day of Term

Yours Sincerely,



Mark Wieder
Headteacher