

# KIDSGROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Headteacher

Dear Acorn Family,

What a bustling week we've just experienced! Last week was wonderfully busy, with our participation in an array of significant events such as Odd Socks Day, Anti-Bullying Week, and Children in Need. It was truly delightful to see so many children engage wholeheartedly in these activities, demonstrating not just their spirit but also their commitment to making our school a vibrant, inclusive community. The joy and enthusiasm radiated through our hallways, reminding us all of the importance of kindness and unity.

As we moved into this week, we were graced with a touch of winter magic in the form of snow! Despite the chilly weather, I was thrilled to see our school community's resilience shine through with an impressive attendance rate of 97% on Tuesday. Well done, everyone! Your dedication to learning, even in frosty conditions, is truly commendable, and it's clear that our commitment to education continues to flourish, no matter the elements outside.

This week, it is particularly exciting to announce that we are welcoming a new teacher to our Acorn Family. Please join me in extending a warm and heartfelt welcome to Miss Sagar. I have every confidence that you will all show her the friendly atmosphere that makes our school so special. Building rapport and nurturing connections is vital, and I know she will quickly feel at home here with us. Let's ensure she receives a warm reception as she begins this exciting new journey alongside us!

I want to take a moment to remind you all that if you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to speak with myself or any of the staff. We are always available at the doors during drop-off and pick-up times, or alternatively, you can arrange an appointment should you prefer a more private discussion. Remember, education is a team sport, and it's through collaboration and communication that we can best support our children's learning experiences.

Also, I urge you to check out our important dates, as there are a few amendments that you wouldn't want to miss. Staying informed helps us all to participate more effectively in our school community!

Thank you for your continued support and engagement. Here's to another week of learning and achievements, filled with creativity, friendships, and fun!



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### Attendance

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| 200 |         | X       |  |

| Whole School  |        |
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| Statutory age | 97.42% |
| Nursery       | 90.37% |
| Rabbits       | 97.09% |
| Year 1        | 96.64% |
| Year 2        | 98.8%  |
| Year 3        | 98.1%  |
| Year 4        | 97.28% |
| Year 5        | 96.92% |
| Year 6        | 96.58% |







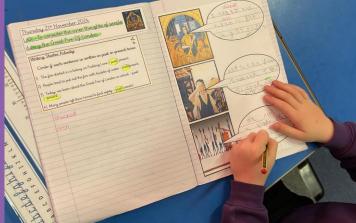
## **Around the School**



Badgers are enjoying their first session of bouncebackability learning how to be resilient and helping us to understand our emotions

n PSHE this week badgers have been looking at why a healthy lifestyle and diet is important using the help of operation ouch!





Today, we enjoyed the snow, both indoors and outdoors! We had lots of fun making footprints, handprints and making snow people! 😚 🏶 😁

Today in writing, Foxes have thought about what eyewitness' of the Great Fire of London might have been thinking. Using three different characters from our class text, we discussed how their thoughts and feelings may have been different. Using conjunctions to extend our ideas and adjectives to add description, we put ourselves into the shoes of each character to write our own short eyewitness report





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| Student of the WeekMice – Rosalie<br>Rabbits – Darcie<br>Squirrels – Kelsey<br>Badgers – Freya<br>Owls – DylanHome Learning HeroesReading – Seb<br>Timetables Rock Stars – Leon M<br>Numbots – Ella BClass dojo Bronze winners<br>(200 points)Brayden, Emmie, Leon M, Fluer, Ty, Aaron,<br>Jaxson G, Dalton, Maddie M, Felicia, Jett,<br>Freya, Alfie GB, Maddie C, Thomas G, Maisie<br>G, Ariella, Jake H, Maddie JClass dojo Silver winners<br>(350 points)Seb |                      |  |
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|  | •                    | Seb  |
| Class dojo Gold winners<br>(500 points)  | -                    |  |
| Class dojo top 10 pupils of<br>the week Sara, Georgia, Evie B, Ivy, kai, Freya, Grace L,<br>James w, Noah, Ty, Ellie Mae, Thomas, Alfie<br>GB, Leon M, Dexter, Jaxson G, Connor P,<br>Olivia G, Arielle, Nanci S   |                      | Sara, Georgia, Evie B, Ivy, kai, Freya, Grace L,<br>James w, Noah, Ty, Ellie Mae, Thomas, Alfie<br>GB, Leon M, Dexter, Jaxson G, Connor P, |
| Perfectly Presented Rueben, Oliver C, Angel, Logan Wx, Evie B,<br>Ella B, Brooke   | Perfectly Presented  |  |
| Henry Hoover Squirrels   | Henry Hoover         | Squirrels  |
| Golden Welly Isla A  | Golden Welly         | Isla A   |





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# Save the Date



| Dates        |  |  |
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| September 24 | WC 30 <sup>th</sup> September – Year 1 – 6 daily swimming lessons  |  |
| October 24   | WC 7 <sup>th</sup> – Year 1 – 6 daily swimming lessons<br>Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Hello Yellow Day £2 donation<br>Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Seeing is Believing – Phonics /<br>Reading – Join us in school and learn with your child<br>WC 21 <sup>st</sup> – Year 5/6 Bikeability<br>Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Halloween Dress up day £2.00 donation  |  |
| November 24  | Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Year ¾ Bikeability<br>Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> – School Photos<br>Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Flu Vaccinations<br>Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> – 9 till 10am - Reception Intake 25 Open<br>Morning<br>Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> - 9am – Seeing is Believing – Maths – Join<br>us in school and learn with your child<br>Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> – Bring in a bottle for our tombolo store in<br>return Non-Uniform   |  |
| December 24  | WC 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Assessment Week<br>Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> from 3.30pm – Christmas Market<br>Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> – 4 till 6pm – Parents Evening<br>Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> – R, Y1 New Vic Theatre<br>Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day<br>Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Regent Panto trip for those attending<br>Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> – 9.30am KS1 Christmas Performance<br>Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> – 2pm – KS2 Christmas Performance<br>Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> = 9.30am – EYFS Christmas Performance |  |
| January 25   | Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> – INSET day<br>Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> – Children return  |  |
| February 25  | Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Valentines Discos<br>1-2pm – EYFS<br>2 – 3pm – KS1<br>3 – 4pm – KS2<br>Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Join us for a brew and a biscuit  |  |
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Dates

| March 25 | Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> – World Book Day<br>WC 24 <sup>th</sup> – Assessment Week   |
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| April 25 | Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 – 6.30pm – Parents Evening   |
| May 25   | Commencing May – KS1 Sats<br>Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> -9am – Join us for a brew and a biscuit<br>WC 12 <sup>th</sup> – KS2 SATS  |
| June 25  | WC 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Year 4 MTC<br>WC 9 <sup>th</sup> – Year 1 Phonics Checks<br>WC 30 <sup>th</sup> – Assessment week   |
| July 25  | Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – EYFS Class Assembly<br>Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Squirrels Class Assembly<br>Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Foxes Class Assembly<br>Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Badgers Class Assembly<br>Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – Owls Class Assembly<br>Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Reports go home<br>Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Sports Day and Parents Picnic<br>Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> – 5 till 6.30pm – Year 6 Prom<br>Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> 9am – EYFS / KS1 Acorn Awards<br>Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> – 2pm – KS2 Acorn Awards<br>Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> – 2pm Year 6 Leavers assembly |



More dates to follow – so watch this space







# Term Dates

### Term and holiday dates for academic year 2024/2025

#### Autumn Term 2024

Inset day: Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September Term Starts: Wednesday 4 September Half Term: Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November Term Ends: Friday 20 December Holiday: Monday 23 December – Friday 3 January

#### Spring Term 2025

Inset day: Monday 6 January Term Starts: Tuesday 7 January Half Term: Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February Term Ends: Friday 11 April Holiday: Monday 14 April – Friday 25 April

#### Summer Term 2025

INSET Day: Monday 28 April Term Starts: Tuesday 29 April May Day: Monday 5 May Half Term: Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May Inset day: Monday 21 July Holiday: Tuesday 22 July – Friday 29 August





