



# Newsletter

1<sup>st</sup> May 2026

Good afternoon,

I hope you are enjoying the wonderful weather we are having at the moment. School continues to be a busy and vibrant place, with a variety of events taking place throughout the week. Although the Great Athlete visit didn't take place today, we are pleased to share that it has been rearranged for next Friday. The children are already looking forward to taking part.

## Year 6 SATs Preparation

I have been incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils, who have been working exceptionally hard as they prepare for their SATs. They have shown a mature and focused attitude, completing a wide range of mock papers and revision activities to ensure they feel as ready as possible. I keep reminding them that all I ever ask is that they try their best. Their effort, determination and resilience already make them successful, and I truly believe in every single one of them.

## Wrens Class News

The Wrens class have been playing host to a wonderful variety of visitors recently. The chicks are growing well and becoming more confident each day. Our fish have now settled into their new habitat, and the tadpoles continue their fascinating journey, clearly illustrating their life cycle for the children. It has been a fantastic hands-on learning experience, and the pupils have shown great curiosity and care throughout.

## After-School Clubs

Our after-school activities continue to be well attended and full of enthusiasm. The dance club have been busy rehearsing a routine to perform for the Wrens class, as well as learning brand-new skills with the Maypole. Their teamwork has really shone through — especially when they worked together to successfully untangle the ribbons. It has been wonderful to see their determination, creativity and problem-solving in action.

Football remains as popular as ever, and our girls' football team are representing us incredibly well in the local tournament at GCA. Their sportsmanship and teamwork have been fantastic.

Multi-Sports pupils have been developing their tennis skills with great focus, while our Rugby Tots have been enjoying their sessions out on our beautiful fields. Their confidence and coordination are growing each week.

## Sports Week – Coming Soon

In a few weeks' time, we are excited to be hosting our Sports Week. The children will be able to wear their sports kit for the whole week and take part in a fantastic range of activities, including axe throwing, archery, cricket, dodgeball and our very own mini-Olympics.

We are especially delighted to be joining with Evergreens Nursery next door for the mini-Olympics event. It promises to be a wonderful celebration of teamwork, fun and physical activity — definitely something to look forward to.

## New Sports Kit for Next Year

As we move into the next academic year, we will be introducing a new sports kit. This kit has been chosen because it is more hard-wearing, easy to wash and quick to dry. As the children wear their sports kit for two days each week, this new option should be far more durable and long-lasting.

The cost of the kit will be approximately £37, which includes a T-shirt with our school logo and matching shorts. Children may continue to wear their hooded tops, and during the winter months they are welcome to wear their own plain blue leggings or jogging bottoms.

I would really appreciate any feedback you may have to help ensure a smooth transition.

Thank you for your continued support, and I hope you enjoy the bank holiday weekend.

God Bless  
Mrs Dodd

## Upcoming Events

- 8<sup>th</sup> May – Great Athlete assembly launch
- 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> May – SATS Week
- 18<sup>th</sup> May SPORTS WEEK
- 19<sup>th</sup> May – Sports Day 1pm start
- 20<sup>th</sup> height & weight checks Reception & Y6
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May – school closes for HALF TERM
- 1st June – School opens
- Week of 1st June – Y4 Multiplication table check
- Week of 8th June – Y2 SATs/ Phonics screening and MTC (Y4)
- 15<sup>th</sup> June – New parents meeting 5:30pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> June – Dance festival KS1
- 17<sup>th</sup> June new starters afternoon - 1
- 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Assessment week
- 24<sup>th</sup> June new starters afternoon – 2
- 25<sup>th</sup> June – Raising the flag ceremony @ Kepple Lane
- 28<sup>th</sup> June – First Holy Communion Mass
- 30<sup>th</sup> June – Y5 experience day at GCA
- 1<sup>st</sup> June – New starters stay for lunch
- 2<sup>nd</sup> June – OLCBS induction day
- 13<sup>th</sup> June - Reports out to Parents
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July GCA transition day (More details to follow)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July SSMM has got Talent (pm)
- 8<sup>th</sup> July – Summer performance (Y5&6) 6pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Production (Y5&6) 9:30am
- 10<sup>th</sup> July Leaver’s mass & Presentation @9:30am
- 13<sup>th</sup> July Reports due out this week
- 17<sup>th</sup> July – School closes for Summer

### PTA events:

(more details to follow about each event)

- PENNY WARS week of 20/4/26
- 15<sup>th</sup> May – Ice cream
- 19<sup>th</sup> May - Colour dash / Sports Day
- 10<sup>th</sup> July – Fun Night



Weekending April 24<sup>th</sup>

### **Rising Stars:**

Wrens – Leroy  
Owls – Orla  
Woodpeckers – Jonah  
Hérons – Scarlett

### **Blue Badges:**

Wrens – Esme  
Owls – Jasper  
Woodpeckers – Mia  
Hérons – Nancy

### **Marvellous Maths**

Wrens – Bella  
Owls – Isla  
Woodpeckers – Lilly  
Hérons - Brodie

### **Headteacher Award:**

Eliana – Y5

Weekending May 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Rising Stars:**

Wrens – Monty  
Owls – Cara  
Woodpeckers – Ava D  
Hérons – Stanley

### **Blue Badges:**

Wrens – Mia  
Owls – Riley  
Woodpeckers – Ava T  
Hérons – Ruby W

### **Star Writers**

Wrens – Florence  
Owls – Seb  
Woodpeckers – Ava T  
Hérons – Eliana

### **Headteacher Award:**

Jude – Y6

## Other news...



Our After school clubs continue to flourish.

The dance club learnt new skills with the Maypole, Tennis club are also growing in confidence.



Wrens chicks are growing and they welcome more visitors!



THIS WEEK WE WERE SO INCREDIBLY FORTUNATE TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN SOME FURNITURE KINDLY DONATED BY **COGGINS** – (SUSTAINABLE OFFICE SOLUTIONS).

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