



Week commencing: 2nd March 2026

<p>Whole school</p>	<p>Mrs Howes is currently unwell and will be away from school until she is well enough to return. We wish her well during this period and the senior leadership team will continue to ensure that the school runs smoothly and that the children’s learning and wellbeing remain our highest priority.</p> <p>If you have any urgent queries, please contact the school office, and they will direct your message to the appropriate member of staff.</p> <p>Grounds Day - Thank you to everyone who helped on the ground's day on Saturday, we really appreciate all your help. The next grounds day will be on Saturday 9th May – when the weather will hopefully be better!</p> <p>World Book Day – We are looking forward to celebrating our love of books with you all on Thursday 5th March. Don’t forget to bring your book swap books and wear your pyjamas or costumes on the day.</p> <p>As part of our world book day celebration, all children will be entering a 'Design a Token' competition (linked here). If you do not wish for your child to enter the competition please email admin to let us know by 3pm Wednesday 4th March. All children will be entering unless asked otherwise. If your child’s entry is not being sent into the competition, they will still have the opportunity to complete the activity in class with their friends.</p> <p>Reception Knebworth House Trip – We are delighted to inform you that the children in Reception will be going on a trip to Knebworth House on Thursday 19th March. The total cost for the trip is £22 per child. This is payable on the Arbor app under the trips section and needs to be paid no later than Monday 16th March 2026.</p> <p>Competition – Don't forget to return your "If You Were an Engineer, What Would You Do?" competition entries to your class teacher by Friday 6th March.</p>
<p>Class information and reminders</p> <p>Weekly Blogs Strathmore Infant and Nursery School</p>	<p>Don’t forget to click on the link to see the class blog for your child’s classes. These blogs share information about the learning and events that your child has completed, helping you to stay informed about their learning at Strathmore.</p>
<p>Upcoming dates for parents / carers to be in school</p>	<p>Parent Workshop – Promoting Positive Behaviour at Home 11th March 9-10am.</p> <p>Maths workshop – Our maths lead, Mrs Allen, will be leading on a workshop for parents and carers about how we teach Maths to our children. Please do come along on Friday 20th March at 9am to hear more.</p> <p>Reception Assembly – Our Reception class will be presenting their learning to their parents on the 23rd March at 2:30pm.</p>
<p>FOSSA events</p>	<p>Friday 17th April – Spring Disco 4:30- 6:30pm</p>

Other updates (wraparound, governor visits, etc)	We were visited by a Specialist English Teacher from the English Hub last week and she was really impressed with all of the continued progress she could see from her last visit. It has been really helpful to have their support since setting up Little Wandle last year and fantastic to see the children flourish using our new phonics scheme.	
Did you know?	As well as being one of our favourite days, World Book Day is a global celebration with over 100 countries taking part annually.	
Upcoming dates	Thurs 5 th March	World Book Day
	Wed 11 th March	Parent workshop – Promoting Positive behaviour at Home 9am
	Thurs 19 th March	Reception trip to Knebworth House – more details to follow.
	Fri 20 th March	Maths workshop for parents and carers at 9am in the Hall
	Mon 23 rd March	Reception assembly to parents 2.30pm
	Wed 25 th March	Reports sent to parents (mid-year reports)
	Fri 27 th March	School finishes 1.30pm-1.45pm
	Mon 13 th April	Children back in school (Strathmore only)
	Fri 17 th April	FOSSA Spring Disco – more details to follow
	Thurs 23 rd April	Learning Fairs 3.15pm - 3.45pm
	Mon 4 th May	Bank holiday – school closed
	Wed 6 th May	Sports Day
	Sat 9 th May	Grounds Day – focus on creating upcycled wooden structures and digging areas for OPAL. There will also be general gardening.
	Fri 22 nd May	Last day of half term – collection at 3.15pm as normal

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