



*Be strong and
courageous.....for
the Lord your God is
with you*

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Headteacher's Newsletter No 7

Dear Parents/Carers



Unbelievably it is February and January has come and gone in a flash. School has been very busy and the children have started the term with enthusiasm and determination. I am optimistic that they will carry this positive attitude into February and the rest of the year.

Whole School Blessing – Tuesday 20 January -9.00am

Father Anthony Searle led a whole school blessing in January which was a great way to start the year. Father Anthony, Father Josh and a small group of parents and I visited all the classes and key areas of the school, prayers were read by the children and Father Searle blessed all the areas in the school.

Then the whole school gathered in the hall, received a whole school blessing and joyfully sang 'The Golden Rule.' The children responded with some very thoughtful prayers for their year groups and enjoyed the experience of being sprinkled with Holy Water.

Godly Play



This term, the children took part in a series of Godly Play sessions led by Robyn. Through calm storytelling and reflective wondering, our Reception and Year 1 pupils explored *Noah's Ark*, thinking about trust, safety and God's promises. Children in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 engaged with the story of *Zacchaeus*, reflecting on forgiveness, change and making better choices. In Year 6, pupils explored *Paul's discoveries*, considering faith, courage and how beliefs can shape actions.

These sessions created a peaceful space for deep thinking, thoughtful questions and personal reflection across the school. Please visit the school website to learn more Godly Play



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KS2 Choir – Young Voices at Wembley Arena

A huge thank you to Mrs Wells for organising and preparing the children so brilliantly for Young Voices this year. We are also very grateful to **Miss Hawkins, Miss Blandford, Mrs McGovern and Mr Wells** for supporting the choir throughout the afternoon and into the evening. Their time, commitment and encouragement played a vital role in making the event such a success.



What an amazing night our KS2 Choir had at Young Voices at Wembley Arena on 3rd February! The children performed alongside thousands of other young singers in a truly unforgettable experience. They had worked incredibly hard in the lead-up to the event, learning not only the lyrics to a wide range of songs, but also the dance moves and sign language that made the performance so special. Their commitment, enthusiasm and teamwork were evident throughout the evening, and they sang their hearts out with confidence and joy.

The atmosphere was electric, and it was wonderful to see how much the children enjoyed being part of such a spectacular event. We are immensely proud of every member of the choir for representing our school so brilliantly and creating memories that will last a lifetime. *Mrs Wells – Music Lead*

Parent Responses to Letters, Forms and Requests for Information

I would like to ask that parents and carers respond to school requests within the given timescales wherever possible. I understand that there may be occasions where a number of responses are required within a short space of time and we do our best to limit this and to make the process easier by using 'Forms'. The office is spending an increasing amount of time chasing for responses either by phone or email as we do not want children to miss opportunities.

It would also be very helpful if you could send the children in with the correct clothing, PE Kit, instruments etc as we have needed to also make an increased number of calls to allow children to take part in Forest School, Swimming etc. We will not continue to make calls and children may not be able to take part.

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week, from **9th–15th February**, we will be recognising **Children's Mental Health Week**. The children have already taken part in an assembly reminding them of the importance of looking after their mental health and wellbeing. This year's theme, **"This is My Place,"** focuses on belonging and aims to ensure that every child and young person feels included and supported- whether at school, at home, or within their community. Throughout the week, children will be completing a range of age-appropriate activities in class linked to this theme. Please keep an eye on our social media pages, where we will be sharing photos and highlights from the week.



Please follow this link for more detail and ways to support your child with mental health challenges:
[Children's Mental Health Week \(9 to 15 February 2026\) | Buckinghamshire Council](#)



Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We are looking for an enthusiastic and caring **Midday Supervisor** to join our lunchtime team.

The details:

- Part-time, permanent position (term time only)
- 6 hours 40 minutes per week, Monday to Friday
- 1 hour 20 minutes per day between 12.10am and 1.30pm
- Salary: £4,008 per annum
- Start date: ASAP

No previous experience necessary – full training provided.

Interested?

Visit our [website](#) for full details and an application form, or contact the school office.

End of Term

A reminder that we break up on **Friday 13 February at 3.15pm** and return to school on **Monday 23 February**. I hope you all have an enjoyable half term break.

A few date reminders

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| • Thursday 12 February | Year 5 Hindu Temple Trip |
| • Friday 13 February | Break Up for Half Term 3.15pm. |
| • Monday 23 February | Back to school. Spring Term B |
| • Monday 2 March | Year 1 to 5 Assessment Week |
| • Wednesday 4 March | Cake Sale Year R, 3 and 5 |
| • Thursday 5 March | World Book Day |
| • Friday 6 March | Year 1 Class Assembly |

Yours sincerely

Celine Hawkins
Headteacher

