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Friday 16th October 2026

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

Please see below news and important information regarding this week and the weeks ahead.

Gospel Reflection – Matthew 22:1-14



In this week's Gospel, we have reflected upon the Parable of the Wedding Feast. As with previous readings in recent weeks, this parable has events and characters that are very symbolic. The King, hosting a lavish feast and banquet represents God. Jesus' parable explains and reminds us of our invitation to God's Kingdom. When the initial guests refused the King's invite, he chose other guests who were prepared and appreciated the generosity. God is so generous that He invites everyone to share in His love and friendship forever. Saying yes to God's invitation is not the only ask of us. God calls us to change our hearts and follow Jesus and grow in His love. We can show that we accept God's invite wholeheartedly by being kind, considerate of others, forgiving, compassionate and choosing to follow Jesus, through our actions and our words.

Early Pick-Up Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th October

Parents/carers can collect children at the earlier time of 3.05 p.m. on both Monday and Tuesday of next week due to our Parents' Evening times.

If children are not able to be collected at the earlier time, they can be collected as normal at 3.15 p.m.

Our school gates will open at the earlier time of 2.55 p.m. on these days.



Parents' Evenings

Our Parents' Evenings this half-term will take place as follows:~

Monday 19th October 2026: Parents' Evening – Reception & KS1 (Rec, Y1 & Y2) from 3.15-6.00pm

Tuesday 20th October 2026: Parents' Evening – KS2 (Y3 - Y6) from 3.15-6.00pm

Wednesday 21st October 2026: Parents' Evening for Nursery children in EYFS from 3.15-6.00pm

If you have not already done so please complete the reply slip and return to your child's class teacher to arrange an appointment time.

Many thanks.



Year 5 Bikeability

Bike Right will be in school from Tuesday 20th October – Thursday 22nd October working with a small number of our Year 5 children for their Bikeability sessions.

This company helps children build their cycling confidence working in small groups of 6 and with instructors. If children have their own bike and helmet at home they are able to use these but the instructors will bring enough for them to borrow.

Class teachers will inform children of the day they will be completing their Bikeability session.

**BIKE
RIGHT**

EYFS Open Evening

On Wednesday 11th November we welcome any prospective families and children to our EYFS Open Evening. We look forward to seeing you between 3.30 - 5.30 p.m. where EYFS staff will be available to speak to.



Wonderful Netball News

On Thursday evening a group of our Year 5 & 6 children participated in the Primary Partnership Netball Competition and were announced as Champions!

The children each received a medal and certificate for their achievement.

We are extremely proud of their team work, sportsmanship and skill.



Year 6 Secondary School Transition

On Wednesday we welcomed back two of our ex-students, Winston and Ollie, along with Miss O'Leary from St Matthew's RC High School. Winston and Ollie shared their journey of their Year 7 Transition into secondary school and our Year 6 children were given the opportunity to ask them questions about their experience.

Thank you to Winston, Ollie and Miss O'Leary for an informative and useful visit for our Year 6 children.



INSET Day Monday 2nd November 2026

School is closed for the half-term break and INSET Day on Monday 2nd November. A reminder that there will be no after-school provision on this day. It will resume when school opens on Tuesday 3rd November.



LSC Holiday Club & After School Club

LSC will be running their Holiday Club over October half-term from school and providing our After School Club on site from Tuesday 3rd November.

To book a place for your child please visit <https://wearelsc.co.uk/book/>

We look forward to working with LSC.



Arbor App

A reminder to our parents/carers that we now ask that you download the Arbor app.

Arbor helps us improve how we communicate with families and manage school data in one place.

Through the Arbor Parent Portal and Parent App, you can:

- View your child's attendance and updates
- Update your contact details and consents
- Manage trips, clubs (once these are active), and school payments for meals, at the moment we will still use School Gateway for Breakfast Club payments and bookings until October half-term.

How to get started

We have set up an account for you using this email address ([Guardian Email Address]).

1. Download the Arbor App from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.
2. Click **Forgot your password?** to set your first password and log in.

If you have any trouble logging in, please contact the school office.



Look at our great work!

wonderful writing

The Nursery have been talking about 'real life' heroes and the jobs they do and were able to complete jigsaws of people who help us ...



1/2 created rockets and use straws to test how far they would travel ...





To celebrate Space Week, the children in 3/4D explored the planets in the Solar System and learnt some key facts about their chosen planet ...





Well done to this week's 'Stars of the Week' ...





Well done to this week's children who have demonstrated our school virtues – of being
“loving and compassionate” ...





Congratulations to our Times Table Rock Stars and Numbots winners!
Keep up the good work!





Congratulations to our Rollama winners!
Keep up the excellent work!





5/6J are this week's class attendance winners with a fantastic 99.3% attendance!

Nursery 96.5%	Mrs Welch 94.1%	Miss Blackwell 91.6%	1H 98%	1/2 97.4%	2M 99%
3C 97.2%	3/4D 94.6%	4H 96.7%	5W 98.6%	5/6J 99.3%	6G 97.9%

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Thursday 22nd October 2026: Reception and Year 6 Height & Weight Checks

Friday 23rd October 2026: School closes for half-term

Monday 2nd November 2026: School closed for Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 3rd November 2026: School re-opens at 8.45 a.m.

Wednesday 4th November 2026: Nursery Parent Workshop from 2.45 p.m.

Friday 6th November 2026: Flu Immunisations in school for Reception– Year 6 children

Wednesday 11th November 2026: EYFS Open Evening from 3.30 - 5.30 p.m.

**DATES TO
REMEMBER**

Once again, thank you for your on-going support. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton

Headteacher

