

**Growing together  
in strength, love and wisdom, we shine.**

**Newsletter  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Message from the Head**



It's been an eventful start to the term! After First Aid training for most of our staff on Monday, we kicked off the Spring Term with a fantastic visit from the iRock team on Tuesday.

Yesterday, we enjoyed a trip to the pantomime - before the snow brought an early end to our first week back!

Thank you for your understanding regarding today's school closure. Deciding to close is never easy and is always a decision we take very seriously. Wherever it is safe to do so, we will keep school open. Unfortunately, that wasn't possible today due to the local snowfall and the challenging conditions faced by staff travelling from further afield.

**Pantomime Joy**

A huge thank you to the Friends for subsidising our pantomime trip. The children had a wonderful time, with the highlight undoubtedly being Mr Tinsley's surprise guest appearance on stage - and his blossoming relationship with Hetty!

Well done, Mr Tinsley! You took it all in great spirits, and it's something the children – and sadly staff - will remember for a long time.



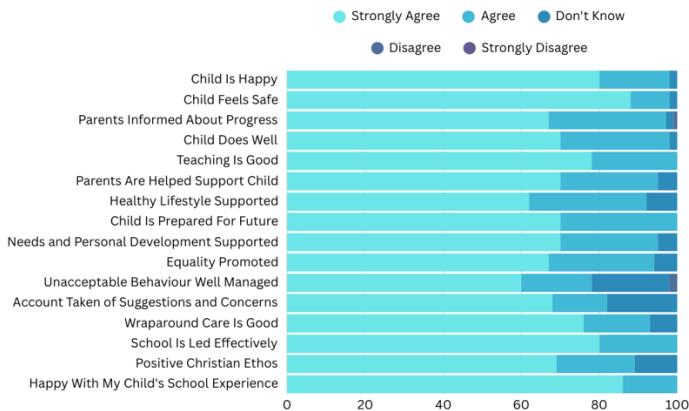
**Parent Questionnaire Results**

Thank you to everyone who completed the Parent Questionnaire circulated before the Christmas break.

We are delighted to share that the feedback was overwhelmingly positive - your support and kind words are warmly appreciated. A strong partnership between school and parents truly makes a difference to children's education.

Naturally, there were some areas identified for improvement, and we are committed to working on these as we move forward. Please remember that we are always open to feedback - both positive and constructive – as we strive to further enhance the education and experience of your children.

**Parent Questionnaire December 2025**



**Reception Starters 2026**

The deadline is approaching for school starters 2026. If you know of anyone who is looking for a first – or new – school, please encourage them to get in touch and we will be more than happy to show them around.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely,  
Mr Crompton.

**Key School Dates**

**February**

February 13<sup>th</sup> Break Up for Half Term  
February 23<sup>rd</sup> Return to School

**March**

March 27<sup>th</sup> Easter Service – 9:15am  
March 27<sup>th</sup> Break Up for Easter Holiday

**April**

April 13<sup>th</sup> Return to School

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