



Pupils of the Week

	Betty Bee Award	Wilbur Woodpecker Award	Olive Owl Award	Samuel Squirrel Award
Kingfishers	Mia	Harrison	Rupert & Mikey	Phia
Jackdaws	Quin	Arli	Harper	Elsie
Ospreys	Ryan	Toby	Alana	Devrim

Dear Parents

This year I will be moving to sending out full newsletters on a monthly basis. An information newsletter with dates and awards will still come out every week, but on the last Friday of the month there will be a more detailed letter including celebrations of important events that may have happened. This will hopefully make it easier for you to be able to find the key information you need regarding trips, outdoor learning and other upcoming events.

PE

Hopefully everyone has located their children's PE kits and have sent them in to school. Please could we ask that PE kits are left in school and not taken to and from school each week as this often means that children take their kit home one day and then forget to bring it back. We do have scheduled PE slots in the village hall and outside but if the weather isn't appropriate, we may well decide to take them out for PE on another day. Children must have a t-shirt and shorts for indoor PE and some leggings or joggers for outdoor PE when the weather gets cooler. Spare socks should also be in the PE kit in case theirs get soggy from the field or puddles. Long hair should be tied up at all times.

YOUTUBE

In school we are becoming increasingly worried by the amount of time our young people are spending on Youtube, particularly "Youtube shorts". Children are bringing content (which is often completely inappropriate I might add) that they have seen into school and acting these out at playtimes. A quick Google search: "Are Youtube shorts suitable for children?" threw up the following quotes:

- Short videos on YouTube can expose children to various kinds of content that are not appropriate for their age or well-being.
- They might see videos that are violent, sexual, drug-related or videos that spread hate speech, bullying, misinformation, propaganda and other harmful messages
- Infancy and early childhood are associated with high neuroplasticity; therefore, digital media exposure during this period can have significant and irreversible effects on neurodevelopment and behavioural outcomes. These include poorer thinking, delayed language skills and impaired emotional and behavioural regulation.
-so you need to understand the function and its addictive components. If you have children under 12, protect them from this by checking their devices and blocking Shorts. Younger children should not have access.

Could I please urge you as parents to really think about what your children are being exposed to while they are "watching funny videos".

NEW BUILD

There will be a delay in the completion of the new Pipits class. We are now looking to take over the site on Friday 4th October. We are planning an open afternoon for the whole school a couple of weeks later but we will hold off on giving an exact date until nearer the time! As soon as we have a date we will let you all know.

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Ospreys Outdoor Learning – after lunch

September	Children can come to school in appropriate clothing and bring their wellies or alternative appropriate shoes in a separate carrier bag. Wellies are ideal and long trousers and long sleeved tops are essential to protect from brambles, stingers and insects. Enough clothing to keep warm and coats are essential on these dates.
Thurs 26 th	
October	
Thurs 3 rd	
Thurs 10 th	
Thurs 17 th	

Diary Dates September

Thurs 26 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 27 th	PTFA Bags2school – donations to the Baptist Church by 9am on this morning only

School Diary Dates

Our forthcoming events and diary dates are on our website listed in the *News & Events* section.

More specific details can be viewed online by clicking on the relevant event, this will then display the letter content or additional information

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October	
Tues 1 st	PTFA AGM – 6.30pm at Hills Farm
Thurs 3 rd	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 10 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 17 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November	
Half-term	
November	
w/c 4 th	Parents Evenings – times/dates TBC
Wed 6 th	R-Y6 Flu Immunisations only for pupils with online consent from parent/carer
Thurs 14 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 21 st	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 28 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
December	
Thurs 5 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 12 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 20 th	Last day of term
Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January	
Christmas Holidays	
MONDAY 6TH JANUARY – NON PUPIL DAY	
January	
Mon 6 th	Non-pupil day – Staff Training
Tues 7 th	Spring term begins for pupils
Thurs 16 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 23 rd	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 30 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)

February	
Thurs 6 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 13 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February Half Term	
w/c 24 th	Parents Evenings – times/dates TBC
Thurs 27 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
March	
Thurs 6 th	World Book Day
Thurs 13 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 20 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 27 th	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
April	
Thurs 3 rd	Ospreys Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Monday 7th April – Friday 18th April Spring Break MONDAY 21st APRIL – Bank Holiday TUESDAY 22ND – NON PUPIL DAY	
April	
Mon 21ST	SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY
Tues 22nd	Non-pupil day – Staff Training
Wed 23 rd	Summer term begins for pupils
Thurs 24 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
May	
Thurs 1 st	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning
Mon 5th	SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY
Thurs 8 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 15 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 22 nd	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May Half Term	
June	
Thurs 12 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 19 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 26 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
July	
Thurs 3 rd	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 10 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Tues 22 nd	Last day of term Whole School Picnic – PACKED LUNCH
Wed 23rd	Non-pupil day - Staff Training
23rd July start of Summer Holidays	