

School Newsletter

Friday 16th January 2026

Well done to the pupils below who were chosen by their teachers to receive certificates in today's Celebration assembly for demonstrating our school value of **Happiness** and spreading joy in school this week.

Reception Chestnut Class	Ayana and Alex
Reception Maple Class	Jesse
Year 1 Ash Class	Ellie-Mae
Year 1 Redwood Class	Jamie
Year 2 Birch Class	Michael
Year 2 Elder Class	Alfie
Year 3 Iroko Class	Austin
Year 3 Willow Class	Elsie
Year 4 Juniper Class	Alessia and Arihan
Year 4 Spruce Class	Lexi-Rose
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Hara
Year 5 Walnut Class	Marcus
Year 6 Aspen Class	Jack
Year 6 Beech Class	Seb

House points

Congratulations to the following pupils for earning the most house points this week.

Reception Chestnut Class	Grayson
Reception Maple Class	Ettie and River
Year 1 Ash Class	Hala
Year 1 Redwood Class	Lily-Rose
Year 2 Birch Class	Bella
Year 2 Elder Class	Ryden and Joseph
Year 3 Iroko Class	Harlee-Shay
Year 3 Willow Class	Oliver C
Year 4 Juniper Class	Ellie
Year 4 Spruce Class	Eddie
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Aiden J
Year 5 Walnut Class	Yasmina
Year 6 Aspen Class	Charlie
Year 6 Beech Class	Fleur

Well done to the pupils in **Red** house for earning the most house points this week.

Attendance

We are aiming to achieve an attendance of 96% this year. Well done to all the classes highlighted in green for achieving that target last week.

Reception Maple Class	99%
Year 4 Juniper Class	99%
Year 6 Beech Class	98%
Year 3 Iroko Class	96%
Year 1 Redwood Class	95%
Year 2 Birch Class	95%
Year 4 Spruce Class	94%
Year 3 Willow Class	93%
Year 6 Aspen Class	93%
Year 5 Sycamore Class	92%
Year 1 Ash Class	91%
Reception Chestnut Class	89%
Year 2 Elder Class	89%
Year 5 Walnut Class	86%

Attendance Ladder



Tea time talk

This year, we are continuing to work with Voice21, a charity that supports schools to develop oracy. Oracy is the ability to articulate ideas, develop understanding and engage with others through spoken language and listening. Oracy skills set children up for success in school and life.



In order for children to develop their oracy, we need to provide them with lots of opportunities to practice their speaking and listening, which we do regularly in school. We will be sharing a discussion question each week in the newsletter to also provide you with a chance to have an interesting discussion with your children and support their oracy at home. This week's home discussion question is:

"It would be good to be famous."

Forest School

Despite some wet weather this week at forest school, the children had great fun constructing shelters and using fire steels to make fire.



Staff news

We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Mr Coren and his wife have just welcomed a beautiful baby girl, Maeva, into the world. We're pleased to let you know that mum, dad, and baby are all doing well. While Mr Coren takes some well-deserved time to enjoy these early precious moments with his family, Mrs Marks will be covering Year 6 Aspen class. Please join us in sending the Coren family our warmest congratulations!

Key dates for your diary**February**

Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th February 3.30-6pm: parent-teacher meetings-further details to follow.

Monday 16th to Friday 20th February: half term.

March

Thursday 5th March: World Book Day-non uniform day (dress up as a book character).

Tuesday 24th March 9am & 2.30pm: Infant Spring concert-further details to follow.

Wednesday 25th March 9am & 2.30pm: Junior Spring concert-further details to follow.

Thursday 26th March: last day of term for Nursery pupils.

Friday 27th March: last day of term for Reception to Year 6 pupils-school finishes at 1pm.

Summer term

Monday 13th April: Training day (school closed for pupils).

Tuesday 14th April: First day of summer term for pupil.

Monday 25th to Friday 29th May: Half term(school closed for pupils).

Friday 17th July: Last day of summer term-school day ends at 1pm.

Term dates and holidays 2026/2027**Autumn term 2026**

Training day (school closed for pupils) Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Term starts Thursday 3rd September 2026

Half term Monday 26th to Friday 30th October 2026

Term ends Thursday 17th December 2026 at 1pm

Spring term 2027

Training day (school closed for pupils) Monday 4th January 2027

Term starts Tuesday 5th January 2027

Half term Monday 15th to Friday 19th February 2027

Term ends Thursday 25th March 2027 at 1pm

Summer term 2027

Training day (school closed for pupils) Monday 12th April 2027

Term starts Tuesday 13th April 2027

Half term Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027

Term ends Wednesday 21st July 2027 at 1pm

Community News



 

KIDS' ACTIVITY WEEKEND DAY

Nature Documentary Making



DATE
Saturday 17th January



TIME
10am-4pm



WHO
Children aged
7-14 years old



COST
£10 for first sibling
£5 for additional
siblings

*A day for being
creative and
inquisitive about
what creatures and
plants call our site
home!*

Children will plan out
their films, have the
chance to take their own
videos and use the
footage we've gathered
across the year with our
trail cams and of course,
roast marshmallows.



To book, scan QR code or visit
<https://IECNatureDocs.eventbrite.co.uk>

