



Newsletter



16th December 2025

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

As the final week comes to a close we want to wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We hope the holidays are filled with laughter and family fun. Maybe even a little bit of snow if we get lucky!

Progressive Sports are running a holiday club during the first two days of the holiday and I would remind you to book directly with them if you want your child to attend. Whilst Progressive Sports are hiring our site, they are not employed by the school so all enquiries should be directed to their staff and found on their website.

Have a lovely holiday – remember school closes at 2pm on Friday.

Farewell Mrs Fox

Mrs Fox is moving on after this week. She is setting sail for a new adventure as Deputy Headteacher at Holy Trinity in Burton.

We have loved having Mrs Fox with us over the last ten years and her contribution has been invaluable. We will miss her but keep with us all the wonderful memories we shared. She will always be welcome back at our school. Farewell Mrs Fox.



Key Dates

Weds 17th Dec – Y5 & Y6 Christmas Performance – 2.00pm

Thurs 18th Dec – Christmas Day in School (Christmas Jumpers)

Fri 19th Dec – Non-Uniform Day – CAYP £1

School closes Fri 19th Dec – 2pm for the Christmas Holidays

School Opens Monday 5th January 2026 at 8.30am (Breakfast Club from 7.30am)

Mon 12th January - Clubs start for 5 weeks

Weds 21st January - Year 4 Parents Lunches

Thurs 29th Jan - Fundraiser for Bingo

Weds 4th Feb - Reception Parents Lunches

Fri 13th Feb - French Day Fundraiser in School

SCHOOL CLOSSES FEB 13TH at 3pm

School Opens Mon 23rd February 2026

Mon 23rd Feb - Clubs Start for 4 weeks

Tues 24th March - Parents Evening 1: 3-6pm

Weds 25th March - Parents Evening 2: 3-6pm

Team Points

Team	Colour	Score
Darwin	Green	5825
Bronte	Red	4025
Nightingale	Purple	4825
Newton	Blue	4450

Attendance

Cold and flu season is upon us and this will be the case when we return in January. Attendance is important but so is the health and welfare of the pupils.

If your child is running a fever, coughing badly or generally unwell enough that they will struggle in school then it is sometimes best to keep them off and let them recover. Coming into school when ill, spreads the bug to other children, some of whom are vulnerable.

It's always difficult to weigh up these decisions and we are keen for pupils to attend every possible session, but remember that sometimes staying home to recover is the best solution for everyone.

If a child is sick or has diarrhoea then they must stay off school until they have had 48 hours clear of vomiting or loose bowel movements.

To report an absence please call school on 01283 211019.



French Day in School



Our French Day is a fundraiser designed to support the Year 5 and 6 children attend the visit to France. When going to France was an annual event in school the parents of Year 6 children often arranged fundraisers to supplement the cost and that is what we will do this year.

We are going to have a day of French Themed activities, a sponsored run to France, French Quizzes with incredible prizes, a French Bingo in school and French themed food on offer. No snails, we promise!

At the end of the day there will be the chance for parents to buy cakes baked to raise money for the visit.

This is something that we will do every time we head to France so any support you can give this year will benefit not only these children and their families but yourselves when your children are ready to take the trip!



Christmas Performances

We have been blessed so far with great performances from Reception, Year 1 and 2 as well as Carols sung beautifully by Year 3 and 4.

Year 5 and 6 will share their take on the Nativity with us tomorrow and rehearsals indicate it will be something a little different this year!

Thank you to all the parents who have attended these and for the grandparents, uncles, aunties, cousins, nephews and little brothers and sisters who have also popped in to see what's what.

We hope our children have helped get you in the Christmas spirit and that you enjoy the show still to come!



Important News for This Week.

School celebrates Christmas Day on Thursday. We are delighted to share that we have a performance of THE SNOW QUEEN for all pupils to enjoy in the morning, followed by Christmas activities and a scrumptious Christmas Dinner to enjoy!

On Friday this week some groups are inviting pupils to bring a toy or game into class. Please check SEESAW for this information. Some groups such as Reception **ARE NOT** doing this – they have plenty of toys already!

Thursday is Christmas Jumper Day! Pupils can wear their favourite Christmas Jumper to compliment their uniform!

Friday is non-uniform day this is a fundraiser for school fund and we ask that pupils bring £1 or that you pay the charge available on ParentMail.

No After School Club on Friday

Polite reminder that there is no After School Club this Friday!

If you are attending a performance in school, and bring a young child or baby with you, then we would politely request that you pop out with them if they get too excited during the performance.

Clubs information will be sent out on the 5th January 2026.

The Christmas Fair raised a fantastic £1,618 for school fund!

Thank you for supporting the school and the children.

PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2025 - END OF TERM



A Busy First Term

Crafts and Party

We would like to thank everyone who attended our Christmas craft and party afternoon. We had a wonderful time seeing families come together to make keepsake crafts and dance the afternoon away!

Our Learning

We have covered a variety of topics this term including Road safety, Fireworks, Halloween, Autumn, Winter, Animals that hibernate, All About Me, Remembrance, Nursery Rhyme Week and of course Christmas! Each topic has complimented the children's interests and learning, all whilst taking part in fun-filled activities.

We use Rainbow Small Talk widely in Preschool to broaden the children's vocabulary and build their confidence in having meaningful conversations with adults and their peers.



Reminders

Please look out for an email regarding 'Baby's Days' . We will be using this app throughout preschool as a means of communication and information sharing.

Upcoming Events

5th January - Back to school

We are looking forward to welcoming new children to our Preschool in January. Due to the new intake there will be a change in some staffing. We will be updating children's key workers and will let you know if your child's has changed.

