



### Year 2 Parental Workshop



We loved welcoming parents into school on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January, for our Year 2 parental workshop!

The children had a fantastic time creating dioramas to showcase different habitats, sharing their learning and creativity with their grown-ups.



It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm, teamwork, and pride in their work — thank you to all the parents who joined us and helped make the session so special.

We're very proud of our Year 2 superstars

### Year 5 Cheerleading Festival

Fun



Our Year 5 girls had an amazing time at the Cheerleading Festival last week! They loved working with the Fierce

Elite coaches, learning how to create exciting cheer routines. The girls were really put through their paces as they learned and confidently performed a personalised routine in front of other schools. They showed fantastic teamwork throughout, especially when working together to safely lift their 'flyer' as part of their routine.

We are so proud of their effort, confidence, and teamwork — well done, girls!



### Reading Ambassadors



What a fantastic start for our Reading Ambassadors Club!

Our Reading Ambassadors Club got off to a flying start last week as the children joined a virtual book club session with the amazing author Jenny McLachlan, creator of The Land of Roar series. Jenny gave us an exciting sneak peek into her next book, challenged the children to help name a dragon from the story, and—alongside guest author Sophy Henn—guided everyone in drawing their very own dragon.

To top it all off, Mrs Hall presented the children with their very own Reading Passport, packed with fun reading challenges to complete throughout the Spring and Summer terms.

Interested in becoming a Reading Ambassador? There are still a few places available on Mondays straight after school. Please contact the school office if you'd like to secure a place for your child. We can't wait to see where our reading adventures take us next!



### Year 6 Wilderspin Trip

Yesterday, Year 6 had a fantastic and immersive visit to the Wilderspin National School Museum in Barton, where they stepped back in time to experience life during World War II. The day brought history to life through a range of hands-on activities that really captured the children's imagination.



Pupils took part in Wartime Schooldays, becoming evacuees as they were "billeted" during a street walk before experiencing a lesson in a traditional wartime classroom. During Churchill's Cogs, the children examined real objects and photographs to learn about Civic Defence roles and the important part children played on the Home Front, including a memorable hands-on demonstration with an Air Raid Warden. Finally, The Home Front session allowed pupils to handle historical artefacts linked to air raid precautions, such as gas masks, blackouts, salvage and air raid shelters.



The trip was an engaging and memorable way to deepen the children's understanding of World War II, and they represented the school brilliantly throughout the day.



# The Importance of Getting to School on Time

	Attendance in January	Attendance since September 2025
Reception	96.8%	94.7%
Year 1	94.5%	94.7%
Year 2	96%	95.7%
Year 3	96.9%	94.4%
Year 4	93.9%	96.3%
Year 5	94.1%	93.7%
Year 6	96.9%	96%
Whole School	95.4%	95%

**Well done to Year 3 and Year 6 for achieving highest attendance this month**

Arriving at school on time plays a vital role in your child’s learning and wellbeing. The first part of the school day is especially important, as this is when teachers set expectations, explain the day’s lessons, and help children settle into learning. When a child arrives late, they often miss these key moments, which can leave them feeling unsettled or anxious and less ready to learn. Missing lessons, even for short periods, has a real impact on learning. Primary school lessons are carefully planned to build skills step by step. When children miss part of a lesson, they can struggle to understand new concepts and may find it harder to keep up with their classmates. Over time, repeated lateness or absence can lead to gaps in learning, reduced confidence, and frustration. Being on time also helps children develop important life skills such as responsibility, routine, and respect for others’ time. It allows them to start the day positively, join in with their friends, and feel part of the school community from the very beginning. We understand that mornings can sometimes be challenging, and we appreciate your support in helping your child arrive at school on time every day. By doing so, you are giving them the best possible start to their learning and helping them make the most of every school day.

# Diary Dates



- 4<sup>th</sup> February
  - Maths Parental Workshop – Nursery
- 5<sup>th</sup> February
  - Roman Workshop – Year 3
- 6<sup>th</sup> February
  - Internet Safety Day
- 11<sup>th</sup> February
  - Multiplication Tables Check (Year 4 only)
- 13<sup>th</sup> February
  - Children’s Mental Health Day – Non-Uniform
- 13<sup>th</sup> February
  - Break-up for Half-Term
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February
  - Return to School
- 5<sup>th</sup> March
  - World Book Day

