

Newsletter

July 2026



Message from the Headteacher

As we enter the last few days of the school year, I'd like to thank you all for your support, both for the school and your children, over the last 11 months. As usual, the school year has flown by again! I'd like to thank our staff for their care, dedication and hard work this year. It's been great to see the way so many children have progressed, matured and flourished since September. Finally, I'd like to thank our children. They've done a brilliant job this year, and we're incredibly proud of them. I hope you have a great summer break and we look forward to seeing you all in September!

Staffing Updates

As we approach the end of term, we have several staffing updates to share with you.

Firstly, we say goodbye to **Mrs Marshall**, our SENCO, who will be retiring at the end of term. A separate letter is attached.

We'll be welcoming **Miss Pratt** who will be joining us in September teaching in our Year 2 and Year 4 classes. Miss Pratt came into school to meet her new classes on Transition Day and has already spent time with teachers to ensure a smooth and successful handover. Please join us in welcoming Miss Pratt to our school community and wishing her every success in her new role.

We're also delighted to announce **Miss Castleton** will be teaching full-time in Year 5 in September, covering Mrs Robertshaw's maternity leave. Miss Castleton is already a familiar face in school and we know she will be a fantastic addition to the Year 5 team, bringing enthusiasm and dedication to the role. We are sure that the children will enjoy learning with her and wish her every success as she takes on this exciting opportunity. We would like to pass on our thanks to Mrs Parker for her work with Year 5 across the summer term.

Casual Day

Friday is casual clothes day. Please send a donation for school fund if you can.

Year 6 Events

Parents of Year 6 children have received their invitations to the Leavers Afternoon Tea on Thursday, starting at 2pm. This will give us a chance to celebrate and reflect on their time with us. The leavers party is on Thursday at 5.30pm until 8pm. A consent letter has been sent out, please ensure you return this promptly. Drop off and collection is at the school office. As is our tradition, Y6 will be marching out of school, onto the KS2 playground at 2.30pm prompt on Friday afternoon. We'd love you to join the celebration!

Fundraising

Year 6 were very busy last week, organising discos, a bric-a-brac sale and hosting a 'Beat the Goalie' challenge to raise money for school funds. Thank you to all the children, families and staff who contributed through donations, support and participation. Your generosity helped make these events such a success and is greatly appreciated. The grand total raised was £657.10!

Celebrating Excellent Attendance!

This week, we'll be recognising and rewarding the children who have met **all of our Attendance Targets** in a special assembly. These pupils have shown fantastic commitment by achieving:

- **96% attendance or higher**
- **No unauthorised absences**

Well done to all of them for their dedication and effort!

Looking ahead to next year, we encourage all families to support their children in reaching these targets by:

- Ensuring regular school attendance
- Arriving on time each day
- Providing appropriate reasons for any absences so they can be authorised

Lost Property

We have a significant amount of lost property waiting to be claimed in the school office. If your child is missing any items, please take some time to come and have a look. Any unclaimed items remaining at the end of the week will be donated to our Preloved Uniform Shop.

The **Preloved Uniform Shop** offers a range of good-quality uniform items at affordable prices, with items starting **from just £1**. Thank you for your support in helping us recycle and reuse school uniform wherever possible.

Uniform

As we prepare for the new school year, please ensure your child is equipped with the correct school uniform and that **all items are clearly named**. This helps us return lost items quickly and easily.

Casual clothes are not to be worn unless it is an organised casual clothes day or your child has earned a 'free dress day' as a reward on the Dojo system. Children arriving in casual clothes will be given uniform to wear from lost property.

Please note that **crocs are not suitable footwear** for school and are not allowed.

PE Kits should be brought to school on **Monday** and taken home on **Friday** for washing. Thank you for helping us maintain high standards and ensuring all children are safe, comfortable, and ready to learn.

School closes at **2.30pm** on Friday.

Busy Bees closes at **3.30pm prompt**.

We hope you have a fantastic summer break and look forward to the children returning on **Wednesday 9th September at 8.40am**.



Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term 2026

Wednesday 9 September	8.40 am	School reopens
Wednesday 23 September	Morning	Photographer in school – individual & sibling photos
Thursday 24 September	All day	Year 6 visit to Eden Camp A letter will be sent out with details
Friday 23 October	All day	Training Day – School closed to all pupils
Monday 2 November	8.40am	School reopens to all pupils
Wednesday 18 November		Flu Vaccinations Information will be sent out
Friday 11 December	Morning	Spa Pantomime Visit Year 1 – Year 6
Wednesday 16 December		Magic Mike Christmas Show Nursery & Reception, in the school hall
Friday 18 December		Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day School closes for Christmas Holidays at 2.30pm Busy Bees closes at 3.30pm

Further dates will follow in the new academic year