



# Heads 2 Home

9th January 2026

## Happy New Year

Happy New year to all of our families!

During this half term we will be taking the Year 6 children to sing in Birmingham, the Year 3 children will have their trip to Chester House, BLP and 5TH will be having their swimming lessons and 4NC will be having their whole class brass lessons.

Please read the new Spelling Shed homework information on page two which gives instructions for use. The homework is in a game format similar to TT rockstars and we hope that the children will be very motivated to compete against themselves to keep improving their spelling whilst feeling like they are 'playing'.

## Parking

Please remember to park considerately and safely when dropping off or picking up children from school.



## Reading

Please remember that the expectation is for all children to **read at least four times a week** at home. The more the children have positive reading experiences, the better they progress.

## Parental Sessions

During the Spring term we invite parents into school for a session with their children.

These sessions will take place between 2:40 - 3:00pm.

The dates of these sessions are below:

Friday 23rd January - Yr 6

Thursday 29th January - Yr 5

Friday 6th February - Yr 3

Thursday 12th February - Yr 2

Friday 13th February - Yr 1

Friday 6th March - Acorn Class

Friday 13th March - Yr 4

Thursday 19th March - Reception Year

Parents should come to the school office on these days just before the start time.

More information about these sessions will be sent out to parents nearer the date.

We hope that you can join us on these sessions to find out more about what your child has been learning.



## **Apply for a school place**

Is your child's 4th birthday on or before 31 August 2026?



**It's time to apply for a reception place**



**Application Deadline:**  
midnight on 15 January 2026



[westnorthants.gov.uk/school-admissions](http://westnorthants.gov.uk/school-admissions)



Dear Parent/Carer,

We are pleased to let you know that our school will be using **Spelling Shed** to support **Key Stage 2 children** with their spelling skills both in school and at home.

Spelling Shed is an engaging online platform designed to help children improve their spelling knowledge in a fun and interactive way. It allows pupils to practise the spelling patterns and word lists we are teaching in class through a range of games and activities. The level of difficulty is adapted to each child, helping them to build confidence, accuracy and independence over time.

Using Spelling Shed regularly can help your child to:

- Learn and remember key spelling patterns
- Apply spellings within their writing
- Develop phonics knowledge and vocabulary
- Build confidence through achievable challenges

**Your child will receive login details so they can access the platform at home.** We encourage short, regular practice sessions where your child can complete assignments set by their teacher and play the related spelling games.

KS1 pupils will continue to learn phonics and spelling through the SoundsWrite Phonics Programme.

Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning. If you have any questions about Spelling Shed or how to access it, please have a chat with your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,

The English Team