



14<sup>th</sup> March 2025

# Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

A busy week of trips this week: year 3 visited the Armouries and learnt more about being a Roman Soldier. Yesterday, year 2 went to Yorkshire Wildlife Park. They were amazing and even kept smiling through the hailstorm (yes, in March!).

Following feedback about providing all parents a chance to 'book' promptly for events such as nativity tickets or the preferred slots for parents evening, we wrote to you yesterday informing you in advance that the link to book parents evening will **go live today at 6.30pm**. *Note year 1 parents evening will be with Miss Sandal on the Monday and Mrs Nicholls on the Thursday.*

Next week it is the turn of year 5 who will be visiting The Yorkshire Sculpture Park linked to their art topic. Reception welcome parents and carers from 2.30pm on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March for a 'stay and play drop-in'.

Next Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March is Comic Relief. We are mindful that there are always lots of charities close to our hearts and that this month we will also have our Lent Appeal. However, we want to support Comic Relief especially as it's the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. On Friday children are invited to wear '*something red*' if they wish and can make a voluntary donation through school. One of the activities in school will be a joke telling comedy session. Children may choose to think about this in advance and try them on you! We will be asking children to share them with us on Wednesday.

Regarding our Lent appeal will be raising money for Water Aid and a letter will be coming out in the next few days about whole school sponsored event.



Kind regards

*Guia Marsland*



*Every day*   
**COUNTS!** 

School success starts  
with attendance

Our whole school attendance target is 97%.

Well done to year 4 who had the best attendance last week with a brilliant 99.03%



## What does Oracy do?

### **Oracy will:**

- Value your voice
- Improve your vocabulary
- Develop your language and expression

This weeks Primary 100 Words are:

Precise

Predicted

Priority

## Online safety Workshop factsheet



### Key risks

- Who they're **talking to**
  - This includes grooming and cyberbullying
- What they're **seeing**
  - Innocent searches can lead to not so innocent results
  - Children are often a few clicks away from inappropriate/harmful content
- What they're **'oversharing'**
  - Personal information, location and nude images/videos
  - Remember that when young people share online, it may never be fully private

### Signs of online abuse

- **Children may not know what's happening to them**, so the signs may not always be obvious
- **Sudden, unexplained changes** are usually an indication that something's wrong
- Consider what's **age-appropriate** for your child

### A child's experience online

- **Remember to focus on what your children are doing online**, not how long they spend online
- The apps and games they're using can be **multi-use** and the risks can lie in these features, eg a game can have chat features and chat apps can have games
- **The things children like to do offline are the same as online**, and the same can be applied in keeping them safe

### Top tips for staying safe online

- **Talk with your child** about online safety
- **Explore their favourite apps, sites and games**, and look at the safety features, together
- Make **going online a family activity** where you support each other

### Practical advice

- Keeping **younger children** safe online:
  - Supervise what they're doing
  - Check games and videos before they watch and play
  - Turn off autoplay settings
  - Put safety settings on their apps and games
  - Agree rules and boundaries together using the NSPCC family agreement
- Keeping **older children** safe online
  - Ask them what they like to use online and set these things up safely together
  - Use the latest app challenges, like TikTok dances, as a chance to explore together
  - Watch the Childline's YouTube channel films
  - Be realistic with rules, setting ones which you could follow as well
  - Remind them where they can go for support if something worries or upsets them

### Getting support for you and your child

- Share **knowledge** with other parents/carers
  - What apps and games young people use
- Share **tips**
  - How do other parents keep their child safe online?
- Share **supervision**
  - Take turns supervising and supporting your child and their friends when they're online, just like you would if they were at each other's houses

### Top tips for talking with your child:

1. Always **start with the positives**. Ask your child to show you what they like doing online as this will show your child that you care about what they enjoy and don't always focus on the risks
2. Make sure **they know the basics** to stay safe online, eg how to **report and block**
3. **Explore apps and games together** so you understand the apps they like to use and can make them safe to use, together
4. Remind them **they can always come to you or Childline** for support about anything

# NSPCC

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Thanks to those who attended the parent workshop. Gail Sayles has shared these links:  
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/free-online-safety-group-workshops/>  
<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/report-remove/>

## SCHOOL MEALS

Orders must be placed on [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) by 3.30pm on a Friday for the following week. If meals are not ordered a packed lunch must be provided. Thank you for all your support with this – it really makes a difference.

## PE KIT REMINDERS

We are noticing an increasing range of colourful PE kits and branded items. By way of a reminder PE kits is:

- Black PE shorts/jogging bottoms
- Plain round necked t-shirt in team colours
- Plain sweatshirt in team colour, bottle green or black (no branded items)

We appreciate uniform is costly which is why we have allowed a range of sweatshirts.

## Juliette (Year 4) – Lent Appeal

During this season of Lent, Juliette has decided to give up sugar (for a week from 24th March until 30th March) to raise money for Cats Protection League where her family cat is from.

Juliette has been inspired to do this as she has been worrying about cats that are not adopted and are at Cats Protection longer term. She hopes by raising some money that she can give them a better life.



Her justgiving page is:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/juliettegallon>



## Year 3 Trip To The Royal Armouries

*"I loved looking at the historical artefacts like the helmets" - Fern*

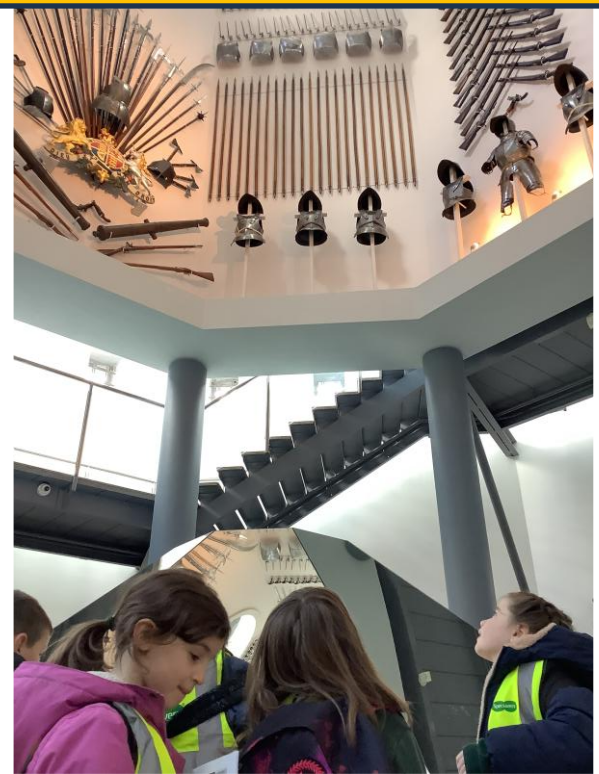
*"I loved watching the live demo of the fight between a celt and a Roman" - Umaiya*

*"It was exciting listening to the Iceni tribe story in the roundhouse" - Tavi*

*"It was so fun learning new Roman words and soldier formations" - Che*

*"I loved the tortoise formation, even though our teachers threw pretend axes at us! It was also so exciting meeting a real Roman!" - Hester*

*"Never underestimate the Romans!" - Jake*



Just a few snaps from  
the FOSC Curry and  
Quiz Night.



**The Winning Team!**

Your child was given their World Book Day voucher this week. They should have brought these home – these are redeemable at our book fair in a few weeks.



**SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS**

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# SUMMER FAIR

1PM -  
4PM

SATURDAY  
21ST JUNE

FOOD STALLS  
TOMBOLA  
BAKE SALE  
CANDYFLOSS  
TOYS & BOOKS  
OUTDOOR GAMES  
& LOTS MORE!



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## FEBRUARY 2025

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Whole School Training Day
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	School Re-Opens 8.45am
w/c 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Whole School Assessment Week
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5/6 Trip to Abbey Grange to watch Les Misérables performed by pupils from Abbey Grange drama club
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	FOSC Curry and Quiz Night

## MARCH 2025

w/c 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Whole School Assessment Week
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	FOSC AGM at 7pm
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day (Bedtime Story themed ~ come dressed in PJs) 3pm Drop-in to your child/children's classes to share a story
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	2.30pm NSPCC Online Safety (parent event)
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Trip to the Royal Armouries
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	No Family Worship
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	2.30pm Reception Open House Event
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 to Year 6 Annual Reports issued
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Choir performs Peace Child (provisional date 1) <i>Note: provisional date 2 ~ Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May</i>
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March until 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Scholastic School Book <a href="#">Fair</a> (opening times TBC)
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	3.30 – 6.30pm Parent Consultation Session 1

## April 2025

Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	1.45pm Easter Service @ St. Chad's Church <i>All school families welcome -volunteers to walk to school welcomed</i>
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	3.30 – 5.30pm Parent Consultation Session 2
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	No family worship
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	School closes for Easter
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Ooh Aah Holiday Club

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## APRIL 2025

Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Ooh Aah Holiday Club
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Ooh Aah Holiday Club
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Ooh Aah Holiday Club
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Ooh Aah Holiday Club
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	National Offer Day – Reception Places 2025
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	School Re-Opens
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 1 Trip to Skelton Grange
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	1.30pm Open Event for Reception 2026 and Nursery (a sign-up form will be available)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	4 – 5.30pm Open Event for Nursery (a sign-up form will be available)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 6 3.15pm SATS Information Evening
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Reception Trip to Harlow Carr

## **St Chad's CofE Primary School Term Dates 2025-26**

<b>Autumn Term</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Term begins	Monday 1st September 2025
Last day of Half Term	Friday 24th October 2025
School re-opens	Monday 3rd November 2025
Last day at School	Friday 19th December 2025

<b>Spring Term</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Term begins	Monday 5th January 2026
Last day of Half Term	Friday 13th February 2026
School re-opens	Monday 23rd February 2026
Last day at School	Thursday 2nd April 2026

<b>Summer Term</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Term begins	Monday 20th April 2026
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 4th May 2026
Last day of Half Term	Friday 22nd May 2026
School re-opens	Monday 1st June 2026
Last day at School	Tuesday 21st July 2026

### **Training Days**

Please note that there will be additional staff training days added to this calendar in the near future.