

Our School Newsletter

2nd October 2026

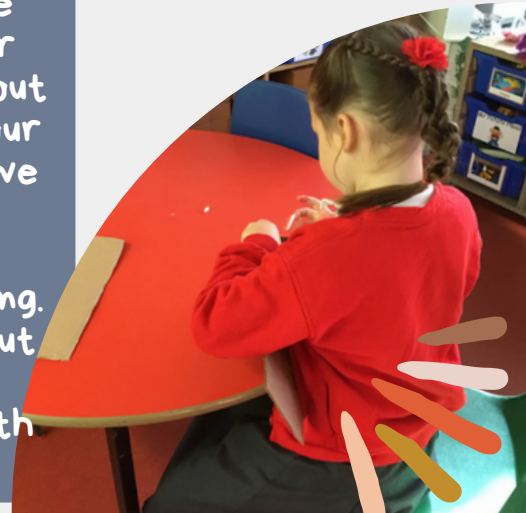


Ash

Ash Class have read to the end of The Fossil Hunter in English and are starting to plan their own biographies. These will be based on an inspirational woman of their choosing and will include all the recent grammar and skills we have been learning recently, such as expanded noun phrases and the use of commas. The children are wowing me with their place value knowledge in maths; they are applying this knowledge really well to the different activities and problems.

Orchid

It has been another busy week in Orchid Class. We have been enjoying reading Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers and have used it as inspiration to write about our own planets. We have also designed and made our own moon buggies using junk modelling and there have been some fantastic creations! We are really enjoying our Fred Talk during phonics and are becoming more confident with our sounds and blending. In Art, we have been exploring colour, learning about primary and secondary colours and experimenting with shades and tints. We have had lots of fun with paint each week!



Forest School

Well done to all of our children for their hard work and enthusiasm on our community Apple Day. They worked together to sort the good sole from the bad, and cleaned, mushed and pressed around 150kg of apples. This produced 75 bottles of delicious, fresh, pasteurised, locally grown apple juice. On top of this they had the chance to bake their own Mary Berry apple muffins with Rev Helene



Reminders / Important Info

KS2 PE ~ Monday ; Please come to school in PE kit

KS1 PE ~ Tuesday : Please come to school in PE kit

KS2 Forest School ~ Thursday ; Please come to school in forest school kit

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Parking is kindly available at the Martlett Inn Pub

Message from ... Mrs Philp

Thank you for being so supportive of our Apple Day, it was so lovely to see the children so excited and involved in this wholesome activity. A huge thank you to Mr Wedderkop and our community members for all there help and commitment to our lovely village school.

I know some of you have been asking after Mrs Dyer. Due to personal circumstances Mrs Dyer has made the tough decision to move on from our school, she has been very clear for us to send on her love to all the children and families. Mrs Dyer has shown years of commitment, she is much loved and will be missed by all of us. We have shared the news with the children this afternoon (Friday 2nd) but please reassure them that she is well, just taking this personal decision for her self and her family at this time. Mrs Dyer will always be a valued member of our school family and we can't thank her enough for the years she has given us.

I know for many of you Mrs Dyer has been a huge support for your children, and to fill the position, we have been successful in appointing a new member of our team who will start with us after the October half term.

A huge thank you also to Mrs Barnes in the office, who has been serving lunches all this term. She wears the outfit well but it has put additional pressure on the admin activity - so thank you again for your kindness and understanding.

Small schools always have a staff group that goes above and beyond with everyone mucking in and our small school is certainly filled with that passion, dedication and love from all our staff. Because to this, our children being safe, happy and able to learn is paramount always.

It will soon be our Harvest Festival and Year 6 camp... how this term is flying by!



Reminders / Important Info



Parking Reminder

Please can we kindly remind parents and carers not to park in the **bays in Swifts, on the yellow zigzag lines, or across residents' driveways.**

Parking is available at The Martlett Inn and in the church overflow car park. We appreciate that parking can be challenging at busy times and thank you for your understanding and consideration for our local residents.

Come and Discover Our School

We want our pupils to develop a strong sense of belonging within our beautiful rural community, our welcoming church and our lovely school, giving them strong roots and the confidence to spread their wings and flourish.

Open Evening: Wednesday 14th October, 6.30pm–8.00pm

Come and meet us, explore the school and find out more about what we offer. The evening will include phonics and maths workshops for both new and current families.

Open Day: Monday 9th November

9.30am–10.30am or 1.30pm–2.30pm

We warmly invite prospective families to visit, meet our school community and see our school in action.

We would love to welcome you!



Please could we ask parents and carers to provide their child with a healthy, substantial snack that will help sustain them throughout the day? This could include, breakfast bars, bagels, fruit, carrot sticks and crackers. A nutritious breakfast before school can also make a real difference. Please remember we are a Nut free school due to allergies.

Children in KS1 are provided with a snack during the school day. However, we kindly ask that all children in KS2 bring a healthy snack from home each day. We have noticed that some children are becoming hungry during the school day, which can affect their concentration, energy levels and mood. Providing a more substantial snack and ensuring children have a good breakfast can help them stay focused, engaged and ready to learn.



Harvest Celebration 🍂



Please join us for our special Harvest Service at St Peter's Church on Thursday 15th October at 2.30pm. Parents and carers are warmly invited to come along and celebrate with the children.

Google Parental Permissions Consent Form

Please can we kindly remind everyone to complete the Google Parental Permissions Consent Form

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping children safe and ensuring clear communication with families, we are asking all parents and carers to complete our updated Parental Permissions Form.

<https://forms.gle/TyhZykrgeH4c7vsEA>





Celebrating our
achievements!



Our Value for this term

Curiosity

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Wellbeing Support

- [Click here for Support for Families](#)



Calendar Dates

Dates for the next fortnight:

KS2 Swimming

Weekly Friday session until 11th December

Year 3 Indoor Athletics @ Court Fields

Monday 12th October

Harvest Service @ St Peter's Church

Thursday 15th October @ 2.30pm

Year 6 Great Wood Residential

Monday 19th October ~ Wednesday 21st October



View our Online Events

Calendar

[Click here to find out what is happening in your school!](#)



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Contact Details

SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS –

Our designated safeguarding lead is Mrs Naomi Philp.

Our deputy leads are Mrs Hall and Mrs Hickman

Click [here](#) for all Safeguarding details.

GENERAL SCHOOL QUERIES –

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