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16th January, 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back, and Happy New Year to all our pupils, families, and staff! We hope everyone enjoyed a restful and joyful holiday break and is returning refreshed and ready for a brand-new year of learning and growth.

January is a wonderful time to reflect on achievements, set new goals, and embrace fresh beginnings. As we step into this new term, our school community is excited to continue building positive habits, strengthening friendships, and challenging ourselves to do our very best—both in and out of the classroom.

Year 2 Visit to Hazard Alley

Year 2 headed out on the first school trip of 2026 to Hazard Alley. This is an amazing opportunity to learn about keeping themselves safe in 'real life' settings such as crossing the road, being safe near water and learning about safety in the home.



Although this term is slightly shorter than the Autumn term, there is still plenty of exciting events taking place across the school.

Year group	Date	Event
Year 5	Thursday 15 th January	Yr5 Trip to the National Portrait Gallery in London
Year 3	Thursday 22 nd January 2.15pm & 5.00pm	Year 3 production
Year 2	Tuesday 10 th February	Yr2 Trip to Salcey Forest
Year 4	Thursday 12 th February 2.00pm & 5.00pm	Year 4 production
Whole school	16 ^h Feb – 20 th February	Half term

Whole school	Tuesday 24 th February	Individual pupil photographs
Whole school	Wednesday 4 th March EYFS - 2.00pm Years 1 - 3 [4.00 – 5.15] Years 4 - 6 [5.45 – 7.00]	FOM Spring Disco
Whole school	Thursday 5 th March	World book day <i>Pupils can either dress as their favourite book character or wear pyjamas and bring in their favourite bedtime story to share with the class.</i>
Year 5	Thursday 19 th March	Yr5 Trip to the National Space Centre
Years 1-6	Friday 20 th March	Interim reports sent home
Reception	Monday 23 rd March	Reception Trip to Mead Open Farm
Year 1	Tuesday 24 th March	Yr1 STEM Lego workshop
Whole school	Tuesday 24 th and Wednesday 25 th March	Parents evening
Whole school	Thursday 26 th March	Easter fun day
Whole school	Friday 27 th March 8.30 – 12.00	Last day of term ½ day 8.00 – 12.00 1.00 – 3.30 – Staff training

World Book Day M&M Productions – Thursday 5th March



As part of our annual World Book Day celebrations, we are delighted to once again be hosting M&M Productions in school.

Each year, they perform a live theatre show based on a classic novel, and this year pupils will be enjoying a performance of *The Wizard of Oz*. This is always a wonderful opportunity for children to experience live theatre and to further inspire their love of reading and storytelling.

To enable us to provide this experience, we are kindly requesting a contribution of **£2.50 per child**, payable via Arbor. We greatly appreciate your continued support in helping us to offer these enriching experiences to our pupils.

Kind regards

H. Williams

Mrs Hannah Williams

