



NEWSLETTER

5TH JUNE 2026



Well, the weather certainly did not get the 'summer term' memo and it has been a week of puddles and wellies. Hopefully things will brighten up soon. It has been lovely to see the children back, full of energy and ready for the term ahead. It has already been a busy week with Forest School and a dance workshop on Thursday (see photos).

We have many exciting events coming up in the next few weeks and we will ensure we give you as much notice and information as possible.



UPCOMING EVENTS

June 2026

- Whole School Art Week - W/C 08.06.26
- Summer Exhibition - 18.06.26 (9.15am)
- Swop Shop - Drop off - 19.06.26
- OPAL - 'Come and Play' - 24.06.26 (2.45pm)
- Swop Shop - 26.06.26 (3.15pm)

July 2026

- Headteachers Forum - 01.07.26 (2.45pm)
- Rock Steady Concert - 09.07.26 (9.15am)
- Sports Night - 03.07.26 (6.00pm)
- Reserve Sports Night - 10.07.26
- End of Year Production (Otters) 15.07.26 (6.00pm)
- End of Year Disco - 16.07.26 (6.00pm)
- Leavers Service - 17.07.26 Year 6 families only (9.15am)
- End of Term 6 - 17.07.26 (1.00pm Finish)

PARKING ON GREEN

Could we kindly ask any parents using the parking area at the Village Green to please park only on the hard-standing area (the church side of the Green) and not on the Copson Lane side.

We are fortunate to be able to use this parking facility and would like to continue doing so without causing inconvenience or concern to local residents. Thank you for your cooperation and consideration.

50TH CELEBRATION

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Maypole/ 50th Celebration. It was a very special afternoon of singing and dancing. It was also lovely to see so many past friends of the school.

We are still after some suggestions for items for our time capsule, so if you do have any, let us know.

Well done to both the children and the parents who joined the final dance... don't tell previous years but we think you were the best we have ever had!



DANCE WORKSHOP

We only had one parent join the forum this time where we discussed outdoor learning and walking to school. We will continue to run the final forum at the planned time but following some feedback from parents, next year, we will vary the days of the week and times to enable more people to attend.

Please can we remind parents that we are always happy to discuss things with you and that the correct route for problem solving is via the school, not gossiping on WhatsApp or in the school grounds.

MATERNITY LEAVE ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs Ecclefield will begin her maternity leave on Friday 12th June.

During her absence, the class will be taught by Miss Morgan from Monday to Wednesday and Miss Charnock on Thursdays and Fridays.

We would like to wish Mrs Ecclefield all the very best as she prepares for the arrival of her baby. We know you will join us in sending her our warmest wishes, and we look forward to sharing updates with you when the exciting news arrives.



OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY

On Thursday 21st May, all of our children fully engaged in Outdoor Classroom Day, with staff planning many fun learning experiences. We had everything from chalk playground arithmetic and time telling to Ladybirds making their own Stick Men. Dragonflies had great fun with their castles outside too. We have such incredible school grounds, so it is great to see them being used both for learning and playing.



ART WEEK

Next week our whole school art focus will be on 'Africa'. This compliments our Cultural Capital learning and will form part of our Summer Exhibition which you are all warmly invited to on Thursday 18th June from 9.15am.



SWAP SHOP

The School Council will be holding a Swap Shop. Donations of books and toys in good condition are welcome and can be brought into school on **Friday 19th June**. The Swap Shop will take place after school on **Friday 26th June**. We really appreciate all your support and generosity. Thank you for helping make this event a success!



SPORTS NIGHT - FRIDAY 3RD JULY

(Gates open at 5.30pm-racing begins at 6.00pm)

This is a traditional event on the Staddy calendar and we are looking forward to another great evening of sport and socialising.

This year, the children will be taking part in team building activities throughout the day, including designing banners, pom-poms, team chants etc. It would be helpful to have a few parent volunteers during the day so if you could spare an hour, please let class teachers know.

We would like the children to wear their team colours for the whole day and would encourage families coming to Sports Night to wear team colours too if possible. We are extremely grateful that FOSPS will be running the barbecue and bar for the event. Food ordering will be open from the week beginning 8th June (further information to follow).

If you are able to help in any way-either before, during or after the event, that would be appreciated. Volunteers from wider family groups-grandparents etc would be welcome too, to ensure parents are able to see their children racing. Let either the FOSPS committee or the school office know if you can offer any assistance.



CURRENT SCHOOL AVAILABILITY

We have a few spaces available in our current year groups. Please do pass our information on if you know any families who may be considering a new school or relocating.

Year 2 - 1 space
Year 3 - 2 spaces
Year 4 - 2 spaces

SPARE UNIFORM

FOSPS are hoping to hold a second hand uniform before the end of term (date to be confirmed) but would welcome donations of good condition school uniform items. If you are having a sort out or your children have outgrown items, please pass them on.



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OPAL 'COME AND PLAY'

You are all invited to join us for our second OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) 'Come and Play' session.

24TH JUNE 2.45PM

Opportunity to play alongside your children with our many new activities including the slack lines, music centre, digging area, loose parts and den building.



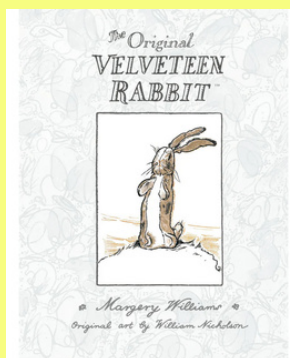






WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER CLUB BOOK

READING RECOMMENDATIONS

This weeks book recommendation by Mrs Blackmore



The Velveteen Rabbit is a classic children's story written by Margery Williams and first published in 1922. It remains one of my all-time favourite children's books and is a treasured title on our bookshelf that I hope to pass on to the next generation. Reading age: 6+ I'm sure I'm not alone in having a child's room filled with toys, particularly cuddly ones. Many children grow up with a treasured soft toy that becomes worn and shabby through years of love and companionship. As children grow older, they naturally begin to play with their toys less often, and this is the journey the rabbit experiences in this story. At its heart, The Velveteen Rabbit explores themes of love, belonging, ageing, and change. One of the story's most memorable lines comes from the Skin Horse, who explains: "Real isn't how you are made. It's a thing that happens to you." This simple but powerful message reminds readers that love and connection are what truly matter.



Children will be captivated by the rabbit's journey to becoming Real—a beautiful reminder to keep believing in magic, imagination, and hope. This timeless story has truly stood the test of time and brings back fond memories of my own childhood every time I read it.

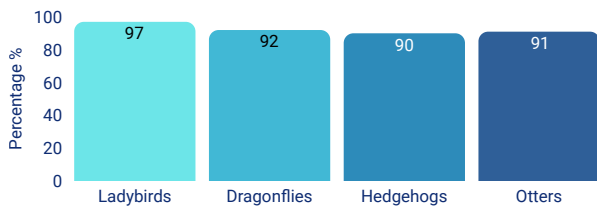


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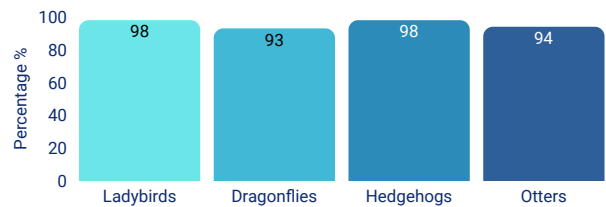
The school has an attendance target of 97%, so far this academic year our overall attendance is 96.2. Each child has an important part to play in helping us meet it. Regular attendance supports learning, builds confidence, and ensures every pupil can make the most of the opportunities school offers.

Thank you to all families for supporting good attendance—together, we can continue to build strong habits that help every child thrive.

Attendance 18th to 22nd May 2026



Attendance 1st to 5th June 2026



Well done to Ladybird class for the last week of term 5 highest attendance. This week we have join highest with Ladybird and hedgehog class - well done!



CAKE CLUB



Would you like your child to be in with a chance of winning a cake each Friday? Cake club membership costs £10 for the year; which can be paid in full, or at £3.50 per term to guarantee your entry. Membership means your child's name will be entered into the Cake Club draw each Friday to win the cake kindly donated by a different family each time. If you would like to take part in Cake Club and help us raise funds for FOSP, please see Mrs Venner or leave money in the office clearly marked with your child's name.

Calling all bakers. We have created an online cake club rota: [Cake Club Google Sheet](#) - Please do pop your name down against any of the available dates if you would be willing to bake or donate a cake. If you are unable to edit the google sheet directly, please email the office with the date you'd like and we can pop your name on for you.

Please can we ask that all cakes made are nut and gelatine free.