



# Newsletter Spring 2

## Dear Parents and Carers

The term is flying by and it won't be long until the half term break. We're squeezing in lots of fun things to enrich the curriculum, including some exciting class trips and the NSPCC Number Day.

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. Our assembly on Monday will explore this theme. You can find some useful resources [here](#) if you are interested in finding out more.

The school has been donated a collection of mental health related books by Barratt and David Wilson Homes, which will be available to pupils in the school library.

**Mr Gates**

Associate Headteacher



## Dates

### Half term break

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

### Parents' Evenings

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 – 6.00pm

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 4.00 – 7.00pm

### End of the Spring term

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

### Start of the Summer term

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

### Half term break

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

### End of the school year

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

## From the Bible

“Let your light shine before others,  
that they may see your good deeds and  
glorify your Father in Heaven.”

**Matthew 5:16**

## PTA events

### Disco on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Years 1 to 6 after school. Timings to be confirmed.

### Wonderful Women event on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026

A special celebration ahead of Mothering Sunday.  
Further information to follow.

## Fundraising

Thank you for supporting recent fundraising events. The Christmas Bazaar raised **£2177.60** We also collected **£161.11** for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal.



## School Council

The [School Council](#) is now up and running with one representative from every class. Their initial remit is to discuss behaviour, football and wellbeing. Comments about the revised behaviour system included...

*“We're really good at getting ready to go home by following the 1, 2, 3 system.”*

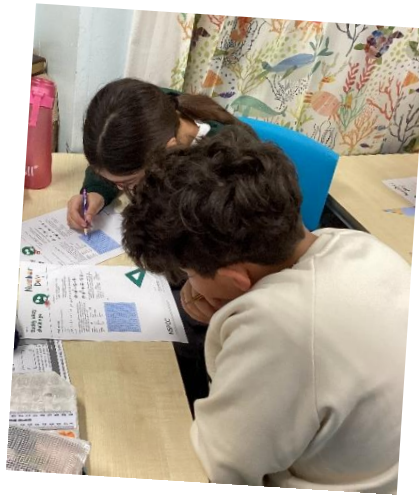
*“Some of us are good at sharing.” “We're really kind in my class and use marvellous manners.”*

*“Since the steps came in we've got less naughty!”*

## NSPCC Number Day

This week, every class has been taking part in the NSPCC *Buddy's Maths Challenge*, and we would like to say a big thank you for gathering sponsorships to support this fantastic cause. Throughout the day, children have enjoyed a wide range of number-themed activities, including maths stories, maths and music sessions, creative maths art, card games, escape-room style challenges, fitness activities, singing, and of course, raising money through our bake sale.

Your support has helped make this event both meaningful and memorable for the children.  
So far we have raised an impressive **£766** for the NSPCC.



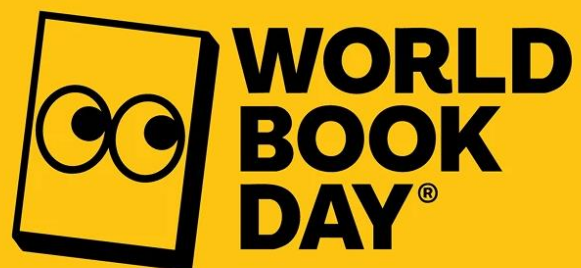
# Number Day 2026



## World Book Day 2026

We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**. The children are invited to come to school wearing something book themed.

This could be an outfit inspired by a book character or they may wish to dress up as the author themselves. Thank you for your support.



### A Visit from the Mayor

On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January, Mayor Stefan Long visited us and led the whole school assembly. The children had lots of questions for him and Arthur in Year 6 was lucky enough to hold the mace and parade around the hall. The mace is over 400 years old!



### Attendance

# MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.



### Viking Aquatics

The children in the Otters Class had a wonderful time visiting Viking Aquatics. This linked to their 'Under the Sea' topic work.



### Sensory Lights

If you have any unwanted sensory lights or toys at home, they would be gratefully received by the Otters Class.

Thank you



### Parking

We kindly ask all parents, carers and visitors to be considerate when parking around the school at drop-off and pick-up times.

Please avoid parking on pavements, across driveways, on zig-zag lines or in the way that blocks visibility for pedestrians and other road users. This includes the wide strip of pavement at the front of the school. This is not a parking space and you should avoid parking there please.

We have also been notified by **The Manor Ballroom** and **Saracens House** that parents and carers have been parking inconsiderately. Please can we remind you that these are private property and patrolled by parking security regularly. They have advised that if you are found to be parking illegally in either of these car parks you will be issued with a parking fine which they are unable to revoke.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### Road Safety

All children coming to school on a bike or scooter should be wearing a suitable helmet please.



Please ensure that your child always uses a seatbelt when they are in the car. This is a basic safety requirement and saves lives. Thank you.



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