



PARENT BULLETIN | 9TH JANUARY 2026

SCHOOL NEWS

CLASS UPDATE

Robin Class

In December Robin class attended a WheelPower sports event at Stoke Mandeville Stadium. We enjoyed taking part in sports such as; wheelchair basketball, boccia, table tennis, cricket and archery. The children all had an amazing day. If you believe this is something your child would like to participate in please go to the WheelPower website and contact the Admin Team for more information, or click on the upcoming events link.



Penguin Class

Penguin class are looking forward to an exciting and creative spring term filled with hands-on learning and exploration. The topic this term is 'Mix it, Make it', giving the children plenty of opportunities to get hands on and explore a variety of materials.

The children will enjoy sensory story sessions such as 'The Little Red Hen' and a great sensory poem 'Splash, Splash' using a story tray filled with water, toy boats and story props. As stories are read, they will explore the objects, recall key events and comment on what they notice. Story sequencing activities with props and symbols on the board will help children retell stories in their own way and predict what might happen next during learning-through-play activities.

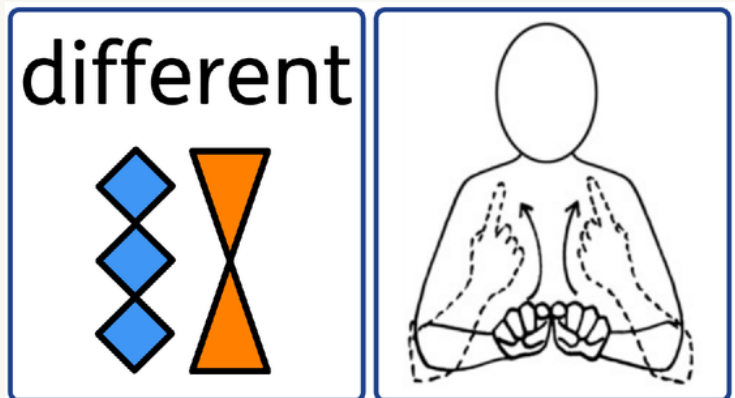
Water play will be a big focus, with children investigating floating and sinking using a wide range of objects such as corks, sponges, shells, coins and foil shapes.

They will make requests, test ideas and share their thinking. The children will design and build their own boats using foil, paper and recycled containers, decorating them with paint and stickers before testing which materials work best. Creative movement sessions will see children pretending to be boats travelling through wind, waves and tunnels.

There will be lots of exciting writing and mark making and art activities too. Children will paint with frozen coloured ice cubes, create ice sculptures with food colouring, drip paint with pipettes to make patterns, and explore marbling and printmaking using corks, bubble wrap and toy boats. Collage and water-themed artwork will encourage creativity and curiosity throughout the term.

SIGN OF THE WEEK

Core Word



DARCEY HOLMES CHARITY FUNDRAISING

Darcey from Owl class, has had her hair cut to donate to The Princesses Trust and has so far raised just over £1400 for the charity. As you may have seen, Darcey's hair had got very long and her parents couldn't let her gorgeous hair go to waste especially when there are young people who would benefit from it. Darcey absolutely loves her new shorter hairstyle and I'm sure you'll agree she looks great!! The big bonus for her parents is that it is so much more manageable! The hairstyle truly fits with her diva personality 😊.

If you'd like to donate to her fundraising efforts please click [here](#) for the Facebook page, or donate directly to the just giving page [here](#). Darcey is such a kind, loving and rather magical girly who is so proud of herself when we show her all the comments etc, she has received.

Fern
(Darcey's Mum)





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CALENDAR



Monday 2nd February
Family First Aid Workshop

W/C 9th February
Wow Week - 'Mix it, Make it'

Tuesday 10th February
Parent SaLT Clinic

Friday 13th February
Last day of half term
Half Term Break: 16th to 20th February

Monday 23rd February
Pupils return to school

Wednesday 25th February
Parents' Evening

Thursday 5th March
World Book Day

Friday 13th March
Comic Relief

Tuesday 17th March
St Patrick's Day

Tuesday 17th March
Dance Festival - Group 1

Wednesday 18th March
Dance Festival - Group 2

Thursday 19th March
Dance Festival - Group 3

Friday 20th March
Comic Relief

Friday 27th March
Last day of Term
Easter Break: 30th March to 10th April

Monday 13th April
INSET DAY

Tuesday 14th April
Pupils return to school

USEFUL INFORMATION

Please see below **free** training courses for parents and carers, as well as information, advice and support available via Buckinghamshire Council.

Buckinghamshire Family Learning

FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSE for PARENTS and CARERS of children in RECEPTION

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH PHONICS & READING
Course code: **FMPR063**

Practical ways to boost your child's phonics skills and early reading through fun, child-friendly activities. You'll learn how phonics is taught and why it builds confidence and reading ability.

Choose from 1 of these 3 dates

- Mon 12th Jan - Mon 9th Feb
- Tue 13th Jan - Tue 10th Feb
- Thur 15th Jan - Thur 12th Feb

9:30am - 11:30am

Online

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE → 01296 383582 - Enrolment team or SCAN the QR code or CLICK on the course code link

FOR MORE INFORMATION → 07770 641997 - Kathryn

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FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSE for PARENTS and CARERS of children in YEARS 1 & 2

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH PHONICS & READING
Course code: **FMPR064**

Join our course for practical, fun ideas to boost your child's phonics(sound) knowledge, strengthen reading and spelling skills, and build confidence for the Phonics Screening Check

Monday 5th January - Monday 9th February

9:30pm - 8:30pm

Online

Wednesday 1st January - Wednesday 10th February

9:30am - 11:30am

Online

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE → 01296 383582 - Enrolment team or SCAN the QR code or CLICK on the course code link

FOR MORE INFORMATION → 07770 145324 - Nina

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FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSE for PARENTS and CARERS of children in YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6

HAPPY, HEALTHY AND SAFE ONLINE-TIPS TO HELP YOUR CHILD
Course code: **FMWB090**

Help keep your child happy, healthy, and safe online - whether they're gaming, doing homework, or connecting with friends through activities. Learn how to start conversations and access key information to support them.

Tuesday 13th January - Tuesday 3rd February

12:30pm - 2:30pm

Online

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FOR MORE INFORMATION → 07770 641997 - Kathryn

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FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSE for PARENTS and CARERS of children in YEARS 5 & 6

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH READING & COMPREHENSION
Course code: **FMRC091**

This course will give you practical ideas and free resources to build strong reading habits, boost your child's understanding of what they read and help build confidence for tests!

Thursday 15th January - Thursday 12th February

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Online

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE → 01296 383582 - Enrolment team or SCAN the QR code or CLICK on the course code link

FOR MORE INFORMATION → 07814 305345 - Lisa

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Drop-ins for young people

Southcourt Family Centre Plus
Monday to Thursday - 9am to 5pm
Friday - 9am to 4pm

Everyone needs a bit of help from time to time.

The Family Hub Team are here to do just that. If you are a young person, parent or carer in need of support come to our drop-in. The team can offer:

- On the spot support
- Information and advice on a range of topics
- Signposting to other services that may be able to help

No need to book, just turn up.

01296 383293 familyinfo@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Buckinghamshire Council **Family Hub Network**

Family Centre Plus
How to get information, advice and support

We offer support at our Family Centre Plus sites:

- Monday to Thursday, 9am to 5pm
- Friday, 9am to 4pm

You can drop in without an appointment or give us a call.

Mapledean Family Centre Plus
Crescent Road
High Wycombe
HP12 4HS
Phone: 01296 383 293
Email: highwycombefamilyhub@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Southcourt Family Centre Plus
Aylesbury College Campus
Oxford Road
HP21 8PD
Phone: 01296 383 293
Email: southcourtfamilyhub@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Newtown Family Centre Plus
Berkhamstead Road
Chesham
HP8 3AT
Phone: 01296 383 293
Email: eastfamilyhub@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

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Have a great weekend.

Bradley Taylor, Principal

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