



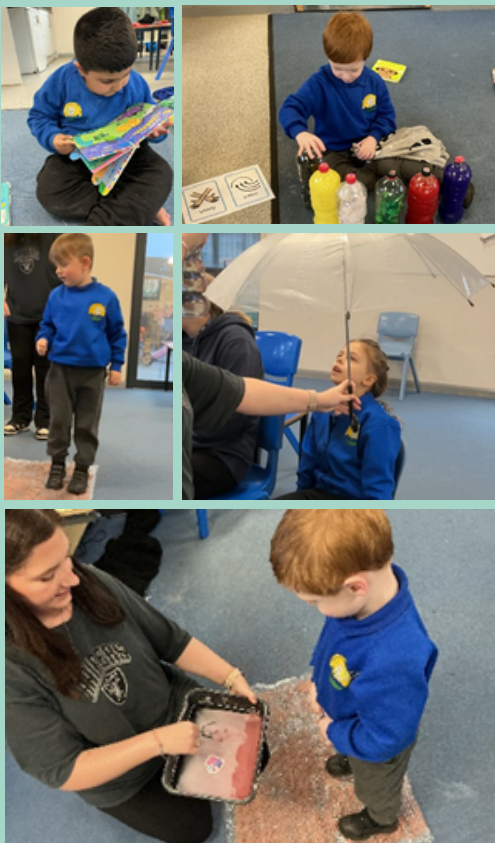
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# SCHOOL NEWS

## CLASS UPDATE

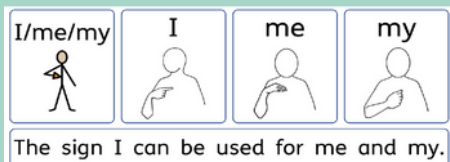
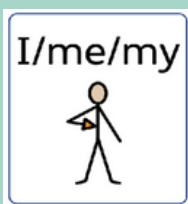
### Sparrow Class

This week the children in Sparrow Class have embraced the new lessons. They have enjoyed looking at the new books in independent reading and explored colour objects in the creativity lesson. Our story this term is 'Muddy puddles', and this week we have joined in with the story by exploring the props.



## SIGN OF THE WEEK

Core Word



The sign I can be used for me and my.

## MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL

Our new swimming teacher, Nic, has started and is really enjoying getting to know the school. So far she has been spending time in classes, attending training, and making sure everything is ready for the swimming sessions to be running smoothly. We hope to have a full timetable of swimming running soon, and your class teacher will be in touch about when your child's class will be swimming. Staff have been reflecting on training that they completed at the beginning of January on the INSET day and are excited to be incorporating this. We access training on the IMPACTS curriculum, which focuses on those children who are at the very earliest stages of learning, and we have also had recent after school training from the specialist teachers for pupils with a visual impairment.

Have a great weekend.

Marianne

## OXFORD BROOKES SCIENCE BAZAAR

The Oxford Brookes Science Bazaar will be held on **Saturday 21st February, 9:30am-4:00pm**, at our Headington Campus (OX3 0BP). The event is designed to inspire curiosity and excitement around science through hands-on, interactive activities, and is most suitable for children aged 5-12, though all ages are welcome. With over 70 drop-in activities, families can explore science together in a relaxed and engaging environment. On the day, visitors can enjoy:

- **Hands-on science activities from scientists, researchers, and students.**
- **Live science shows also live demonstrations throughout the day.**
- **Interactive workshops with a variety of topics such as; psychology, nutrition and medicine, engineering and also robotics, as well as coding and more.**
- **STEM games and also some challenges, with prizes to be won.**



The Science Bazaar is a great opportunity for children to experience science outside the classroom, ask questions, and see how science connects to everyday life and future careers.

Event details

- **Date:** Saturday 21st February 2026
- **Time:** 9:30am-4:00pm
- **Location:** Oxford Brookes University, Headington Campus, OX3 0BP
- **Cost:** Free
- **Booking required:** [\[booking link\]](#). [Here](#) is the link to our event video. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch at [sciencebazaar@brookes.ac.uk](mailto:sciencebazaar@brookes.ac.uk)



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## CALENDAR



**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**  
Family First Aid Workshop

**W/C 9<sup>th</sup> February**  
Wow Week - 'Mix it, Make it'

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February**  
Parent SaLT Clinic

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February**  
Last day of half term  
\*\*Half Term Break: 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February\*\*

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
Pupils return to school

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February**  
Parents' Evening

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**  
World Book Day

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
St Patrick's Day

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
Dance Festival - Group 1

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March**  
Dance Festival - Group 2

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**  
Dance Festival - Group 3

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
Comic Relief

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**  
Last day of Term  
\*\*Easter Break: 30<sup>th</sup> March to 10<sup>th</sup> April\*\*

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April**  
INSET DAY

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April**  
Pupils return to school

## USEFUL INFORMATION

**Free Parenting Programmes**

Our parenting programmes will help you develop new and existing parenting skills, offer advice and build your confidence as a parent.

Proud to be part of **Family Hub Network** Buckinghamshire

**LITTLE TALKERS**  
18 months to 3 years old

- Focuses on children's speech, language and communication skills and how parents can promote them
- Designed by Buckinghamshire Speech and Language Therapy

**PARENT PUZZLE**  
0 to 5 years old

- Understand challenges and how to address them
- How to support your child's growth for calmer parenting

**TALKING TEENS**  
11 to 18 years old

- Focuses on relationships within the family, communication, negotiating, decision-making and strategies to reduce conflict
- Learn more about teenagers and their needs

**THE NURTURING PROGRAMME**  
3 to 11 years old

- Help deal with the challenges that come with parenting
- Think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel

**BALANCEABILITY**  
2.5 to 5 years old

- Accredited learn to cycle programme
- Develops confidence, spatial awareness, dynamic balance, and how to ride without stabilisers

**KEEPING YOUR CHILD IN MIND**  
All ages

- Work together in ways that support growing children and a calmer family life
- Explore the conflict between parents/carers both in a current or previous relationship

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Enjoy a walk in beautiful scenery and plant snowdrops in support of Child Bereavement UK, then join us for refreshments in West Wycombe village hall.

**West Wycombe Park, Bucks**

**Sunday 1 February 2026 10:30am - 4pm**

Last entry at 3:30pm  
Only assistance dogs permitted

Advance tickets purchased from our website:  
£5 adults, concessions £3 (under 2s free)

Tickets purchased on the gate:  
£7 adults, concessions £5 (under 2s free)



[childbereavementuk.org/snowdrop](https://childbereavementuk.org/snowdrop)

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**Child Bereavement UK**  
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*Do you have any  
unwanted Christmas gifts?*

**Did you receive any well-meant but unwanted Christmas presents?**

**We're already planning ahead for our next Christmas Fayre!**

**Please consider donating any new/unused gifts, bottles or chocolates (with long expiry dates) for us to use by sending them into school.**

**Every donation helps us turn it into valuable funds to support activities, resources and opportunities for the children at our schools.**

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**MASKS Trustees**



Have a great weekend.

Bradley Taylor, Principal

Booker Park School, Stoke Leys Close, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP21 9ET