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Headteacher's Newsletter – Autumn Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Autumn term has started very positively, and it has been a real joy to see the children settle into school routines with such enthusiasm and focus. Already, we have so much to celebrate and much more to look forward to.

Afterschool Clubs

The afterschool clubs are proving really popular, and we were overwhelmed by the number of children wanting to attend one. I am proud that we are able to put on these additional enrichment opportunities for the children. We are now asking for children to let us know what additional clubs they would like us to run in preparation for next term.

Cross Country Success

Well done to all the children who took part in the recent local Cross-Country event with other schools. They showed fantastic determination and teamwork and we are very proud to share that we came **3rd overall**. What an amazing achievement!



Guinea Pigs for Sale

Guinea pigs are still on sale at £30 a pair. We have a range of different colours; sizes and I could even add hairstyles. They are comfortable with being handled. If you are interested, please contact the school office for further details.

Parent Forum

Thank you to those who attended the first Parent Forum, from that I have already put some of your suggestions into action. The next Parent Forum will be held on **Tuesday 14 October at 9am** in the school hall. This is an opportunity to share your views on the school and the direction you would like to see it take. We welcome your input and look forward to the discussion.

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will take place on **Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 October**. Bookings will soon be available via Groupcall, you will receive a text message for this. Appointments will be available from 3:30pm up until 6pm. More information will be shared soon. Due to Parents Evening taking place there will be no afterschool clubs running on Wednesday 15 or Thursday 16 October. Wraparound care will still be available.

Parking Reminder

A polite reminder to please avoid blocking the turning circle near the entrance. I understand that there is limited parking when collecting the children. Where possible, the parent car park will be opened to allow parents to collect children from after-school clubs.

MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

Year 3 held a coffee and cake afternoon on Friday 26 September with funds raised going to Macmillan. We had a great turn out and are happy to say we have raised £139.00 for the charity. Thank you so much for your support.



Part of the Greenwood Academy Trust

Year 5 Harvest Assembly

Year 5 will be leading our Harvest Celebration Assembly on **Wednesday 8 October**, and parents are warmly invited to attend. The children are very excited to be putting on the celebration. Thank you also for your generous donations of non-perishable food items—these are greatly appreciated and will make a real difference to others.

Finally, thank you for your continued support of our school and community. It makes a huge difference, and we look forward to sharing more successes with you as the term progresses.

Warm regards,

Mrs C Bennett
Principal

Autumn 1 Term Dates 2025

Monday 6 October	History Workshops Year 4
Tuesday 7 October	History Workshops Year 3
Wednesday 8 October	2:15pm - Y5 Harvest Festival (Parents Invited)
Thursday 9 October	Handball Tournament (*New date)
Wednesday 15 October	Parents Evening
Thursday 16 October	Parents Evening
Friday 17 October	INSET Day – School Closed to Children

Autumn 2 Term Dates 2025

Monday 3 November	Children Return to School
Monday 3 November	3pm to 4pm - Years 3 & 4 Halloween Disco
Monday 3 November	4pm to 5pm - Years 5 & 6 Halloween Disco
Friday 7 November	Visit to White Post Farm Y3 and Y4 (*new date)
Monday 10 November	Wonderful Water Tour – Whole School (*new date)
Tuesday 11 November	2:30pm - Y6 Ash Class Assembly (Parents Invited)
Thursday 13 November	2:30pm - Y6 Maple Class Assembly (Parents Invited)
Tuesday 18 November	2:30pm - Y5 Hazel Class Assembly (Parents Invited)
Thursday 20 November	2:30pm - Y5 Cedar Class Assembly (Parents Invited)
Friday 21 November	Non-uniform Bring a Bottle for Tombola at Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 25 November	Christmas Panto and Mansfield Palace Theatre (Whole School)
Wednesday 26 November	2:30pm - Y4 Oak Class Assembly (Parents Invited)
Thursday 27 November	2:30pm - Y4 Willow Class Assembly (Parents Invited)
Friday 28 November	Non-uniform Bring a Raffle Prize
Monday 1 December	Sponsored Santa Run
Tuesday 2 December	2:30pm - Y3 Sliver Birch Class Assembly (Parents Invited)

Wednesday 3 December	2:30pm - Y3 Beech Class Assembly (Parents Invited)
Thursday 4 December	Christmas Fayre
Friday 5 December	INSET Day – School Closed to Children
Thursday 11 December	Y4 - Christmas Performance (Parents Invited)
Thursday 11 December	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 15 December	Whole School Christmas Craft (Parents invited)
Friday 19 December	Last Day of Term