



# Weekly Newsletter

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### Early Help Drop In—Friday 7th March

We are hosting a coffee afternoon at **2.30pm on Friday 7th March** with a member of the Early Help Team. The purpose of Early Help is to prevent any issues from getting worse by offering support at the right time. Any professional working with your family, such as those based in schools, health services or in voluntary sector organisations, can offer Early Help services as soon as they can see that advice, support and/or intervention may be needed. Please come along for a chat if you would like any information.

### World Thinking Day 2025

Some of our children, who are involved in Scouting & Guide groups, came to school in their uniform on Monday, to celebrate World Thinking Day 2025.



# STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to:

Reception: Arlo

Year 1: Willow

Year 2: Reuben

Year 3: Marcella

Year 4: Joshua

Year 5: Eliots

Year 6: Georgie



# ATTENDANCE



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99.0%	93.4%	99.5%	98.6%	98.5%	99.1%	99.0%



# OUR LEARNING

**In Reception...** Reception have returned to school ready to learn! We have been measuring using cubes and we discovered who has the smallest hands in our class (5 cubes long!) We have read 'The Three Little Pigs' in Literacy, using puppets to re-tell the familiar tale and writing speech bubbles from the Big Bad Wolf. We have also been looking at transport and sorting pictures from the past and present day. What a fun-filled week!

**In Year 1...** This week, Year 1 have been reading their new English text, 'The Curious Case of the Missing Mammoth'. The children began by making some very creative predictions based on looking at the front cover, we then read the story together. In Maths, we have been looking at the greater than and less than symbols, and ordering numbers from smallest to greatest. We have also begun our new Geography unit, looking at the different countries in the UK.

**In Year 2...** What a fun week in Year 2! In English, we have started our new story 'Major Glad, Major Dizzy'. This is a story about old toys hidden under the floorboards that are found many years later! The children loved bringing their own favourite toys to school and created some amazing descriptive writing! The children were extremely well behaved and they really enjoyed their day. In Maths, we have been learning about repeated addition and multiplication; and in Geography, we have named and located the seven continents.

**In Year 3...** This week in Year 3, we have made a great start to the half term! We have enjoyed our new class text, which has helped us to learn more about the endangered species within our oceans. We have focused on how we enhance our writing through the use of adjectives and adverbs. In Maths, we have been using the column method to make multiple exchanges and solve questions. In Music, we have been using percussion instruments to help us create and compose sounds. This week in My Happy Mind, we have been learning about our character strengths and how we can apply them in our day-to-day lives.

**In Year 4...** Year 4 have made a great start to the half term, coming back to school consistently meeting school expectations and using their Penketh Powers. In their Happy Mind sessions, they have been thinking about being appreciative and who around us they are grateful for. In Art, they have created their own landscapes using William Turner as their inspiration. Yesterday, the swimming instructors at Penketh Pool have said how impressed they are with the progress everyone is making.

**In Year 5...** A highlight of our week in Year 5 has been our Forest School session; it taught us how to enjoy nature, use our imagination and work on our team building skills. In Maths, we have learnt about the 'grid method' and we will apply this knowledge to long multiplication next week. In our English lessons, we are planning a biography about the astronaut, Chris Hadfield, which we will share with Year 2 later this half-term. In Computing, we have learnt how to programme on 'Scratch' in preparation for designing our own quiz!

**In Year 6...** Year 6 kick-started their first week back with a 'Would You Risk It?' workshop, exploring the potentially risky choices that we could be faced with as we get older and how best to respond to these. The workshop leaders were very impressed with our sensible, thoughtful discussions! We would also like to say a big well done to those who have joined our additional booster sessions across the week and are working so hard to improve their knowledge and understanding! A super start to the half-term Year 6!



# OTHER AWARDS



## Congratulations to:

- **Incredible Dancers; Lily** (Star of the Week from Abigail Barlow Dance Academy) and **Lailah** (1st Place Fierce Dance 2025).
- **Football and Rugby Superstars; Arthur** (Coaches Player of the Month from Eagle JFC and Player of the Match from Latchford Giants ARFLC), **Annie** (Parents Player of the Year from Whittle Hall JFC) and **Hamza** (Man of the Match medals from Eagle JFC).
- **Amazing Gymnast; Evie**, who was presented with Star of the Week from Gymfinity Kids.
- **Connie-May**, who was awarded Coaches Player of the Month from Grappenhall Buttercups Netball team.
- **Florence**, who was presented with the Warrington West Cub Craft Competition trophy.
- **Georgiana**, who received a badge to commemorate World Thinking Day from her Brownie pack.
- **Hayden, Luke and Jack**, who raised over £40 towards our new school playground by selling portraits and telling fortunes!



# REMARKABLE READERS



Reception: Ethan

Year 1: Georgia

Year 2: Luke

Year 3: Georgiana

Year 4: Arthur

Year 5: Arslan

Year 6: Caden



## LUNCH MENU W/C 03/03/25

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta Bake served with Seasonal Vegetables (v) Jacket Potato with various fillings Vanilla Ice Cream	Chicken Tikka Curry with Rice Jacket Potato with various fillings Fruit Segments or Yoghurt	Pepperoni & Cheese Pizza, Jacket Wedges & Salad Jacket Potato with various fillings Jelly & Fruit	Crumb Coated Chicken or Oven Baked Fish Stars with Chips, Peas or Beans Homemade Biscuit	Pork Meatballs in Tomato & Basil Sauce Pasta Jacket Potato with various fillings Vanilla & Chocolate Marble Cake

## DIARY DATES

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March: Scholastic Book Fair after School

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March: Y5 Fire Service visit

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March: Rec/Y6 height and weight checks

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April: Y4 Robinwood Residential