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Friday 16th January 2026

Diary Dates	
January	w/c 19 th – After School club's restart 28 th – Y3 trip to The Scott Polar Museum 29 th – Y3 Class Assembly
February	w/c 9 th – Children's Mental Health Week 11 th & 12 th – Parent/Teacher Consultations w/c 15 th – Half term holiday 23 rd – Staff Training Day (School is closed to pupils)

After School Clubs

We are sure that the children are looking forward to their new After school clubs next week. Due to the high demand for many of the clubs, it has been necessary to split clubs into two, one for the first half of the term, and another for the second half of the term. Please check the dates on the confirmation letters for the dates for your child. Please note that Mr Jelliman's 'Fix It' club has already been fully allocated to the end of this academic year.

Update to Lunch ordering system

As parents are aware, school meals must be pre-ordered by mid-night on Saturday for the following week's meals.

Following a review of their meal ordering systems Innovate, our school lunch provider, have asked us to change the way we process meals that have not been pre-ordered. They have advised that if meals have not been pre-ordered then the following procedure will apply;

On Monday, the only lunch that they will provide will be a jacket potato. If children do not like a jacket potato, then parents will need to bring in a packed lunch. If meals are required for the rest of the week, then parents must email the Innovate helpdesk directly, and not us here in the school office. The email for this is support@impactfood.freshdesk.com. Thank you for your support with this.

It was wonderful to see so many parents in school on Wednesday afternoon when Ryan from Innovate hosted a parents taster session. There was a lovely atmosphere in the hall, and everyone appeared to enjoy the tastes and smells of what was on offer. Ryan delivered an assembly to the children earlier in the day and the children were really engaged and enthusiastic about healthy eating choices and new foods that they could try.

Scooterbility Y1 Y2

Years 1 and 2 had a wonderful time with the Scooterbility team. The children wore elbow and knee pads and helmets to keep safe. The children thoroughly enjoyed the session, despite the cold, wet weather. They practised stopping and turning, then tried some tricks such as mini-me, hands off, and leg off.



Royal Academy - Young Artist's Summer Show 2026

Now in its eighth year, the Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for students aged 4–18 studying in the UK. Artworks are judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals, with selected artworks displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Registration and submission is open until 5pm on 4 March 2026

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/>



Parking

We have received complaints from our neighbours about inconsiderate parking by parents/carers as they either drop off or collect their child from school. We have received reports that parents have parked directly across driveways which has resulted in our neighbours being unable to leave their property.

Can we please ask you, once again, to be thoughtful about where you leave your vehicles at these particularly busy times of day.

Parents are reminded that parking across a dropped kerb in the UK is generally illegal and can result in a penalty charge notice (PCN), especially if it obstructs access for residents or pedestrians.

We thank you for your support with this matter.



Headlice

We have been told by a number of parents that their children have head lice. Head lice and nits are very common in young children and their families. They are not caused by dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact. Head lice can make your head feel itchy. Can we kindly ask all families to check your child's hair for nits over the weekend and to treat if necessary. There is no need to purchase special chemicals or head washes. Head lice and nits can be removed by wet combing. A special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) can be purchased from the local pharmacy or online. Then wash hair with ordinary shampoo and once rinsed, apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do). Comb the whole head of hair, using the detection comb, from the roots to the tips. This usually takes about 10 minutes for short hair, but will take longer for longer, or curly hair. When you have finished combing the hair, comb through all the hair again for a second time. Do this wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is lice free on day 17. Thank you all for taking the time to resolve this issue over the weekend.