



Aspiring to work with our community towards a bright future for our children.
Spring 1 Week 1 2026

Weekly update

It's been a lovely first week back in school and good to see all of the children after the Christmas break.

We had a visit from M and M productions on Thursday who delivered a performance of Jack and Beanstalk - I've booked them ready for next January too.

Thank you to those of you who have sent sponsorship money for the reindeer dash - if there is any still to come in, we'd be most grateful before we make the donation to Treetops Hospice.

Apologies that we needed to close today due to the snow - hopefully lots of children managed to spend plenty of time outside building snowmen, sledging or having snowball fights. For any future snowy weather, I'll always aim to inform parents/carers by 7am at the very latest (hopefully before) and this will always be based on safety for staff and children travelling to school, safety of the school site and staffing ratios. I hope today hasn't caused anyone too much inconvenience.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Thanks, Mr Gotheridge.




Attendance

Whole school attendance this week: 95.79 %

Overall attendance so far this year: 95.67%

Class with the best attendance this week: Bumblebees 100%

What attendance percentages look like over the course of a year.

| Attendance | What is your attendance? | | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|------------------|
|  | 100% | 0 days off | Perfect! |
| | 98% | 4 days off | Very impressive |
| | 96% | 7 days off | Good |
|  | 95% | 9 days off | Almost there |
| | 94% | 11 days off | Needs to improve |
|  | 90% | 1 month off | Concerns |
| | 80% | 2 months off | Serious concerns |



TT Rock Stars and Numbots

Class with the most active players on TT Rock Stars:
Badgers - well done!

Class with the most active players on Numbots: Squirrels - well done!

Even 3-5 minutes a day at home makes a real difference. If you need any help or support with TT Rock Stars or Numbots, please contact your child's teacher and they'd be happy to help.



Online safety



Phones and devices

Many children have had new phones, devices or gaming consoles for Christmas and have been excited to tell us about these. To help children use these responsibly, here's a few things you can do:

- Set simple rules for **when and where** devices can be used.
- Use **parental controls** to manage screen time and online access.
- Keep devices in **shared family areas**.
- Talk about **online safety** and being kind online.
- Take an interest - **play or explore together**.
- Encourage **breaks** and a healthy balance with offline activities.

Diary dates

Thursday 5th February - PTFA Family Bingo night in the school hall from 5pm. More information to follow on Dojo.

Friday 6th February - Number Day - children can 'dress up for digits' by wearing something with a number on/adding a number to something you already have.

Friday 13th February - last day of term.

March 18th - March 20th - Borreaton Park residential for KS2 children

I'll have additional dates to add to the diary dates in the next newsletter including parents' appointments