



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

Weekly update

It has been a positive first week back after the Easter holidays, with the children settling quickly into routines and showing a fantastic attitude to learning. In assembly this week, I spoke to the children about playfighting and games that can sometimes go too far, reminding them how important it is not to deal with problems themselves and to always tell a trusted adult.

Our Year 5/6 children have taken part in anti-racism workshops designed to help them understand what racism is, why it is never acceptable, and what to do if they witness or hear racist behaviour. These workshops form part of our wider personal development strategy, alongside learning about other protected characteristics and sessions on issues such as knife crime and online safety, as well as regular reminders about appropriate physical behaviour. We are proud of the thoughtful way the children engage with these important topics.

Finally, we would like to share that our fantastic Business Manager, Mrs Rainsford, will be retiring at the end of the summer term. We will be holding interviews for her replacement next week. Mrs Rainsford has shown outstanding dedication, hard work and commitment throughout her time here, and while we will all miss working with her very much, we wish her every happiness in her well-deserved retirement.

Thanks,
Mr Gotheridge




Attendance

Whole school attendance this week: 97.17%

Overall attendance so far this year: 95.68%

Class with the best attendance this week: Butterflies 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

Attendance this week has been excellent and our overall attendance for the year has risen.

As always, if you need any help with attendance, please message, call or pop in and see us.



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: Robins - 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.



Screen time



- Research suggests that young children benefit most from technology when it is used in short, planned bursts rather than for long periods without replacing active play, conversation and rest.
- Studies also show that children gain more from screen time when adults are involved - talking about what they are watching or doing helps build language, understanding and real-world connections.
- By setting clear routines around when and how devices are used at home, families can help children develop healthy digital habits while still enjoying the benefits technology can offer.

Diary dates

(More dates to follow next week)

Monday 4th May - Bank holiday (school is closed)

Friday 22nd May - last day of term

Monday 1st June - INSET day (school closed to children)

Wednesday 10th June - Sports Day - KS2 morning KS1 and Reception afternoon (times to be confirmed)

Tuesday 21st July - Year 6 production (times to be confirmed)