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Dear Parents & Guardians,

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We have reached the end of term and what a fantastic term it has been! It has been filled with rich curriculum experiences and a wide range of exciting extracurricular opportunities that have helped our pupils shine. We are incredibly proud of all the hard work, enthusiasm, and achievements we have seen across the school. I would like to thank our dedicated staff for all of their continued efforts this term also.

INSET Day- Monday 23rd February 2026

Please note there is a staff training day on Monday 23rd February. Children need to return to school as normal on Tuesday 24th February.

Mental Health Week

This week we have spent some time focusing on Children's Mental Health Week. Each year, hundreds of schools, communities and workplaces get involved in Children's Mental Health Week. Its aim is to support the systems around children and young people to help them feel that they belong. This year's theme is 'This is My Place', which is organised by children's mental health charity Place2Be. During PSHE lessons, children have completed mindfulness activities and explored what happiness looks like to them. Please take a look at what have been up to below!



Parent Meetings- March 2026

As communicated before, parent meetings will take place during week commencing 2nd March. These meeting slots will go live at 8am on Monday 16th February via Arbor. Please contact the office if you have issues accessing your account. We have attached instructions for signing up to Arbor and booking parent meetings below that have been previously shared.

Booking Parent Meetings-

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/203792102-Booking-Guardian-Consultations-Parent-s-Evenings-on-the-Parent-Portal-or-Parent-App>

Gate and Parking

We would like to remind parents and carers that the school gate is locked from 8.30am. As before, parents are not permitted to park around the roundabout during morning pick up/afternoon drop off. We understand that during bad weather it is tempting to drive right up to the gate, but the children's safety is our absolute priority. We cannot accommodate cars during this time, so please seek parking elsewhere.

PTA Baking Competition

This week we were absolutely blown away with all of the fantastic entrants we received for the baking competition and bake sale organised by our wonderful PTA! Mrs Charles-Jones and Mrs Holland had the very difficult job of judging best cupcakes, large cake and traybake. The winners were awarded with prizes during Friday's assembly. The cake sale managed to raise over £200 which will contribute to improving our Nurture Room. We would like to say a massive thank you to the PTA for organising the event, and a huge thank you to all who spent their weekend baking!



Exmoor Challenge

All of the year 6 children did a great job on their first Exmoor Challenge walk. The 4-mile local stomp gave us hills and mud but they dug deep and completed the route! Well done year 6! All adults who helped on the trip commented on the children's manners and determination throughout the walk, despite the challenging weather! We would like to say a huge thank you to all our parent and staff helpers too. They too did a sterling effort at supporting the groups and setting the pace.



Snack reminder

Please note that children are welcome to bring in their own healthy snack for playtimes and after school care, however this needs to be either fruit or vegetables. Children in EYFS, Year 1 and 2 are provided with a school snack, should they wish to have one. Children should not bring cereal bars or anything other than fruit/veg. Thank you for your understanding as we continually aim to be a healthy school!

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term with some well-deserved dry weather! We look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Tuesday 24th February.**

Mrs Charles-Jones

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 24th Feb First day of new term
PTA Mother's Day Shop - 5th and 6th March
Yr3/4/5 Spring concert Thursday 1st April 9am and 2.30pm
Spring Fling Disco - 8th May
Fathers Day Shop - 11th and 12th June
Summer Fair - 17th July

Residential meetings

Yr4- Pinkery Weds 25th March 3.20 in Puffin classroom

Yr6- London- Weds 3rd June 3.20 in Pinkery classroom

Full term dates for the year are on our website



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