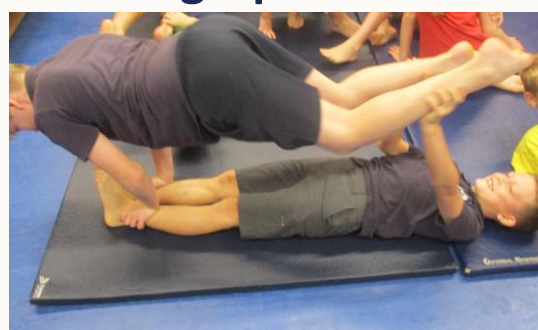


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Staff and governors are wholly committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of every child. We work tirelessly to ensure their safety, well-being, and happiness, both within school and in the wider community.

In this week's fantastic edition

Reading, Maths and Balancing Upside Down!



What a busy week we have had in School from Flu Vaccinations to fantastic swimming, from PGL preparation to Poetry Day. This week has been so full of activities and adventure I couldn't decide what to focus on. So... I decided to focus on last week instead!

Last Friday, under the warm autumnal sun, Nightingales and Robins Classes embarked on a fun-filled trip to Waltham Place. The children were all magnificent with smiles and laughs. Many thanks to all staff who supported with the trip and a huge THANK YOU to all Key Stage 1 parents for transporting your children to and from Waltham Place.

It's time to hear what the children thought.....

"I liked when we fed the pigs with apples!" **Nelson**

"I liked when we made a pattern using sticks, conkers, leaves and everything we found!" **Eleanor**

"I liked when we put the chopped apples into the presser and then we had to squash them down until it was juice!" **Charlie**

"I liked to smell and explore all the herbs and vegetables and learn about them." **George**

"I liked the juice that we made and going into the wood." **Yasmin**

"I loved the apple juice!" **Henry** *Mr. Errington, Headteacher*

Before next Friday *Important actions to take this week*

- ☐ **Prepare questions for Parents Evening**
We are looking forward to welcoming all families into School
- ☐ **Cauliflower Cards**
Order your cards and "merch" - LAST DAY - Monday 5th October
- ☐ **Harvest Festival Dress Rehearsal in Church (Year 1-6)**
Wednesday 8.30 am – Please drop your children to the Church
- ☐ **Harvest Festival Celebration – Friday 9th October**
2pm Start - Don't miss out!

Monday 5th October / Tuesday 6th October

By Monday

Wed 7th Oct

Fri 9th Oct

COMING UP NEXT WEEK

The next six School Days — the whole year is on pages 5 and 6

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	MON
5th OCT	6th OCT	7th OCT	8th OCT	9th OCT	12th OCT
Parents Evening	Parents Evening	FOOTBALL	Headteacher's Awards	Harvest Festival Celebration	MUSIC with Mr. Lyons
3.30pm – 6.30pm in the School Hall	3.30pm – 6.30pm in the School Hall	Year 5 and 6 Girls Football	11.45 am	Bring your singing voice!	Guitar and Drumming lessons continue

Please remember No sweets or cakes for birthdays — we are an allergy aware school · Pull beyond the Zig-Zag Zone before you park in the morning

Celebrations & awards

SUNSHINE BOOK

School Value this week - Happiness

Owls	Rafferty E	Lucia C
Nightingales	Gracie M	Chester S
Robins	Darcie J	Tobias R
Skylarks	Sienna C	Poppy L-W
Red Kites	Ava M	Dixie B
Kestrels	Felix L	Alice A

ATTENDANCE

Whole school 96.5% · target 97%

Class	Attendance
Owls	97.0%
Nightingales	98.9%
Robins	95.1%
Skylarks	94.3%
Red Kites	93.8%
Kestrels	99.1%

HOUSE POINTS

House	This week	Rolling
Brunel	243	1230
Galileo	237	1032
Redgrave	350	1426
Yeats	224	1086

Redgrave take the week — well done.

NEXT WEEK'S VALUE

Contentment

What helps you to feel happy and content?

FOR DISCUSSION AT HOME

Always wanting to be better at things can make us feel unhappy.
Notice what you can already do and make the most of it.

A HUGE Thank You

To Mrs. Morgan for organizing Poetry Day activities and leading a fantastic sharing assembly. I think the smiles on faces says everything!



Please do NOT try these balances at home...



Weekly notices

NEW THIS WEEK

Parents Evening – Please come to the School Hall to meet your child's teacher.

Harvest Donations — Thursday (at the end of the School day) or Friday morning please.

Friday 16th October – Phonics workshop for Owls Parents – 2.45pm (In Swallows classroom)

GENERAL

Cauliflower Cards

All children love to see their hard work in print so why not pop into School today (Friday) or Monday and order some wonderful "one-of-a-kind" festive treats showing your child's actual design. Last chance on Monday.

PARENTS EVENING

"All in the Hall"

In a change to the usual routine, ALL teachers will be in the School Hall for Parents Evening. A bell will ring to signal that your ten minute slot has finished. Please find your child's books in Kestrels Class (opposite the hall)

HEALTH

Hair Guidance

Please can I politely remind all parents of children with shoulder length (or longer) hair that it **MUST** be tied back throughout the School Day. This is to avoid hair getting caught during PE sessions and the spread of tiny unwanted visitors!

ADMISSIONS

Open Mornings

9.45–11.00am on 13th Oct, 10th Nov, 1st Dec and 12th Jan 2027.

If you know a family looking for an outstanding school, please send them our way — we have places in all year groups.

HABIT OF THE MONTH

Aware of my surroundings

Is someone near you upset?

Have you tidied away the things you have been playing with?

Do you have everything you need for a successful day?

SAFEGUARDING - IMPORTANT

Drop – Off - 8.30 – 8.40

Please stay with your children until a member of staff opens the blue gates.

Please accompany your child into School if you arrive later than 8.40.

Please remind your children to walk directly into School after "Stop and Drop".

CLASS NOTES

A note from each class teacher

Owls - Phonics books. Try to recognise the sounds

Robins - Swimming kit on Tuesday.

Red Kites - Times tables 2,3, 4, 5 and 10. Keep practising!

Nightingales - Keep the cloakroom tidy.

Skylarks - Read and you will fill your mind with amazing ideas!

Kestrels - Calm, corridor walking is the key.

PTA



Messages from the PTA

[Find us at pta-events.co.uk/wslpta](https://pta-events.co.uk/wslpta)

Come to the AGM

Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 6.00pm in School Hall. Governors will also share their roles and responsibilities. Please save the date and come along to support the school.

Halloween Disco

The "always popular" Halloween Disco is fast approaching. I have heard of many fantastic costumes already being created. Tickets are selling incredibly quickly. Click the link to get one before they're gone.

Money while you shop

If you order anything online, **easyfundraising** sends a small donation to school at no cost to you.

Sign up once and forget about it — every penny counts!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>

Our gallery



Making patterns in nature.



It's hard work turning the handle!



PGL prep meeting



We celebrated National Poetry Day



Great reading Skylarks



Great guitar lessons with Mr. Lyons



Exercising on the playground



Reading in the Library

Photographs are shared in line with the consents held by the office. Please don't repost other people's children.

The year ahead — Autumn

Dates can change during the year, so please check the latest newsletter for the current version. Highlighted yellow rows are inset days and bank holidays, when school is closed to pupils. New additions are highlighted in green.

Term 1 (39 days)

Monday 5th	Parents Evening – All Classes	15.30 – 18.30
Tuesday 6th	Parents Evening – All Classes	15.30 – 18.30
Wednesday 7th	Harvest Festival Rehearsal at the Church (Y1-Y6)	08.40 – 10.30
Wednesday 7th	Girls Football at Courthouse	15.30 – 17.30
Friday 9th	Harvest Festival	14.00 – 15.00
Tuesday 13th	Open Morning for 2027-2028 EYFS Intake	09.45 – 11.00
Friday 16th	OWLS Class Phonics Workshop for Parents	14.45 – 15.00
Friday 16th	PTA Halloween Disco	17.00 – 19.00
Mon 19th – Fri 23rd	Year 5 / Year 6 Residential Trip	
Friday 23rd	End of Pupil Term	15.10

October Holiday: Monday 26th October 2026 to Friday 30th October 2026

Term 2 (35 days)

November	Monday 2nd	Staff Inset Day	All Day
	Tuesday 3rd	Start of Pupil Term	08.30
	Tues 3rd – Thurs 5th	Year 6 Bikeability	All Day
	Wednesday 4th	Boys Football at Courthouse	15.30 – 17.30
	Tuesday 10th	Open Morning for 2027-2028 EYFS Intake	09.45 – 11.00
	Tuesday 10th	PTA AGM – School Hall	18.00 – 19.00
	Monday 16th	Anti-Bullying Week – Break the Silence	
	Thursday 19th	OFSTED Workshop for parents	14.00 – 15.00
	Thursday 19th	OFSTED Workshop for parents	19.00 – 20.00
	Wednesday 25th	Year 6 Height and Weight Check	09.00
	Wednesday 25th	Drama4all workshop – EYFS, Y1, Y2	10.00 – 11.30
	Friday 27th	Panto – Jack and the Beanstalk	16.30
December	Tuesday 1st	Open Morning for 2027-2028 EYFS Intake	09.45 – 11.00
	Tuesday 1st	Robins Swimming Lessons Finish	
	Tuesday 1st	PTA Wreath Making	18.30
	Wednesday 9th	Christingle Dress Rehearsal at the Church (Y1-Y6)	08.30
	Wednesday 9th	PTA Christmas Fair	13.00 – 15.00
	Friday 11th	Christingle Celebration at the Church	14.00 – 15.00
	Friday 18th	End of Pupil Term	13.00

Christmas Holiday: Monday 21st December 2026 to Friday 1st January 2027



Please don't book family holidays in term time. All dates are also at wslprimary.com.

The year ahead — Spring & Summer

Continued from the previous page. Highlighted rows are inset days and bank holidays, when school is closed to pupils.

Term 3 (30 days)

January	Monday 4th	Staff Inset Day	All Day
	Tuesday 5th	Staff Inset Day	All Day
	Wednesday 6th	Start of Pupil Term	08.30
	Tuesday 12th	Open Morning for 2027-2028 EYFS Intake	09.45 – 10.45
February	Friday 12th	End of Pupil Term	15.10

February Holiday: Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2027

Term 4 (24 days)

February	Monday 22nd	Start of Pupil Term	08.30
March	Thursday 25th	End of Pupil Term	13.00

Spring Holiday: Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April 2027 (Good Friday 26th March; Easter Monday 29th March 2027)

Term 5 (34 days)

April	Monday 12th	Start of Pupil Term	08.30
May	Monday 3rd	May Day Bank Holiday	All Day
	Friday 28th	End of Pupil Term	15.10

May Holiday: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027

Term 6 (33 days)

June	Monday 7th	Staff Inset Day	All Day
	Tuesday 8th	Start of Pupil Term	08.30
July	Wednesday 21st	End of Pupil Term	13.00

Summer Holiday: Thursday 22nd July to Tuesday 31st August 2027



“School days
are the best
days to make
lifelong
memories.”





Together we inspire and achieve

Our mission is to provide inspiration and opportunities for all children to achieve their potential and become confident, independent individuals with key skills for lifelong learning.

Truth

Love

Peace

Responsibility

Community

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IF YOU ARE WORRIED ABOUT A CHILD

Please speak to any of us — you will never be wasting our time.

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Headteacher · Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Jo Waite

KS2 Team Leader · Deputy DSL

Mr John Kiss

Safeguarding Governor · Vice Chair

Mrs Giovanna Brancato

KS1 Team Leader · Deputy DSL

Miss Chelsea Painter

Inclusion Coordinator

The Governing Board

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Staff and governors are committed to the safeguarding of all our children. If something is worrying you — about school, home, anything — we will always find someone you can talk to.

