

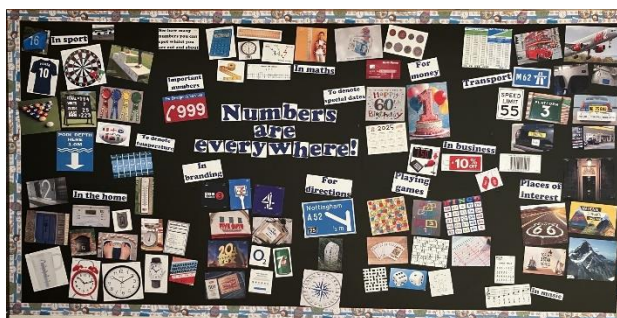


Newsletter Friday 7th November 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

The second half of the autumn term has begun and it has been lovely to welcome the children back to school. It is always a busy and exciting time in school with LOTS going on and this year is no exception!

Developing Maths Mastery



This year, our school is working with the Yorkshire Maths Hub to strengthen maths teaching across all year groups.

In Reception and Key Stage 1, teachers are taking part in the Mastering Number programme to build pupils' confidence and fluency with number. In Key Stage 2, the Teaching for Mastery approach is helping pupils develop deeper understanding, reasoning and problem-solving skills.

These projects are supporting our goal to make maths learning engaging and effective for every child.



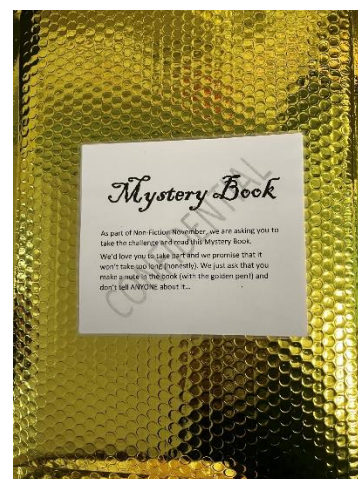
We're excited to celebrate a **Year of Reading 2026**, with a special theme for each month to inspire a love of books across the school.

Month	Theme / Focus
November	Non-Fiction November
December	Festive Reading
January	Launch and Reading Resolutions
February	Picture Books and Storytelling
March	World Book Day and Reading Festival
April	Poetry and Performance
May	Reading Outdoors
June	Diversity and Global Stories
July	Summer Reads
August	Summer Challenge

Throughout the year, we'll continue to build excitement around reading with special events, author visits, challenges, and family activities — all designed to inspire a lifelong love of books and learning.

Please get in touch if you would like to support this focus across the school.

It will start with some mystery books which the children will bring home to share with you. All you have to do is read them and write down what you think in the notebook...



Anti-Bullying Week – The Power of Good

This year, we'll empower children and young people to use their Power for Good to speak out, support others, and build a world where kindness wins.

Monday 10th
November Odd
Socks Day –
the odder the
better!



Friday 14th November

Children in Need – **Challenge Yourself to 25** – watch this space!

Wraparound care

This continues to grow and offers a wonderful 'home from home' for many children at the beginning and end of the school day. To ensure its smooth running we ask the following:

- If possible, please book at least 24 hours in advance.
- Unexpected and late bookings must be made through the school office as staff are not always able to access Class Dojo through the school day.

Free Breakfast Club

Due to the runaway success of this facility, this will now take place in the hall from 8.30 am. We ask that children come to the main entrance at this time and **not to the wraparound care entrance**. Thank you

And finally...
Mrs Thrower is going to have a baby in the spring! We are all very excited and wish her every future success and happiness.



Dates for the Diary:

Anti-bullying week – 10th -14th November

10 th November	Odd Socks Day
13 th November -	Family lunch in Year 3
14 th November –	Children in Need Year 3/4 football
20 th November -	Family lunch in Year 3
29 th November	Christmas Fayre

December

9 th December –	KS1 Nativity 2-3 pm
10 th December –	KS1 Nativity 2-3 pm

**11th December –
Christmas in a Day!**



Christmas jumper/hat day, Christmas lunch day, Christmas Craft afternoon AND PTFA Secret Santa!

w/b 15th December – Christmas parties

19th December - St Matthew's Christmas Service – 1.30 pm

BREAK UP for Christmas

