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From the classrooms

Eagle Owls

Thank you to all the children and staff for another great term in the Eagle Owl class.

The children have worked so hard, faced up to challenges and shown true perseverance and resilience when things have got tough.

They are a brilliant set of children who have well and truly earnt their holiday!

10 days till Dol y Moch..we're just a little excited 😊

Mrs Greenwood

Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Teasdale

Tawny Owl Class had a fantastic morning visiting DM Kineton Fire Station as part of their Great Fire of London topic. The children compared the modern equipment used by firefighters today with the simple tools available in 1666, such as fire hooks, buckets and squirts, when there was no organised fire service to help fight the flames. They were amazed by how powerful and effective today's fire engines and hoses are in comparison. The visit was made even more exciting when the children were allowed to try on real firefighter jackets and helmets. They also had the chance to sit inside the fire engine and even have a go at squirting the fire hose! It was a great morning that brought their history learning to life in the most memorable way.

Children had a great time on Thursday learning a dance about different animals the years are named after, in the workshop.

Finished off with great racing at the pancake races on Friday.

Have a lovely week off,
Miss Fisher and Mrs Teasdale

Miss Loveday

Little Owls

The children have had a great half term, we have explored dinosaurs, reading lots of book, learning new songs and talking about carnivores and herbivores. The children have enjoyed junk modelling, made fizzy volcanos and moving like dinosaurs stomping around nursery and roaring as loud as they could. We have also had lots of fun making dinosaur footprints, drawing them, and creating dinosaur pizza! The children have been wonderfully getting involved with all the activities and have learnt about the dinosaurs that once walked the earth!

We have also had a great last week, learning about Lunar new year, taking part in a fantastic Chinese new year workshop all about "The Great Race". The children learned how to say Happy new year and thank you in Chinese when receiving their red envelopes, we have also had fun creating ready for Valentine's day and enjoyed a yummy pancake ahead of pancake day! What an amazing half term full of fun it has been. I hope you all have a wonderful, fun, and safe half-term break with your families, and we will see you in a week!

Naomi and Nursery Team!

Temple's Superheroes and All Stars

This week's Temple Superheroes and All Stars are:

Superheroes

Year 6 - Rebecca
Year 5 - Evangeline
Year 4 - Paulino
Year 3 - Gabbi
Year 2 - Romee-Lee
Year 1 - Maryrose
Reception - Farzad

All Stars

Eagle Owls - Alistair and Emmett
Barn Owls - Zach and Alice
Tawny Owls - Nevaeh and Heidi and Harper
Snowy Owls - Amelia
Little Owls - William

Well done everyone!

World Book Day - 5th March 2026

WORLD BOOK DAY
5 MARCH 2026

WORLD BOOK DAY is on the way!

For World Book Day, we will be celebrating by inviting the children to come to school in comfy clothes that they enjoy snuggling up in while reading their favourite books. This could be pyjamas, cosy loungewear, or anything they feel comfortable in for a day filled with stories and reading fun.

Competition Time!

To celebrate World Book Day and the UK's National Year of Reading 2026, the National Book Tokens are inviting children of all ages to DESIGN A NATIONAL BOOK TOKEN for their annual competition.

To enter, you are asked to design a National Book Tokens gift card on the theme of Go All In, using your designs to show how reading brings your passions to life.

Here are some ideas to get started:

- **What do you love?**
  Think about your interests, hobbies or favourite things – from sport, art and music to animals, adventures, facts or fantasy. How does reading help you explore them more deeply?
- **How does reading connect to your passion?**
  Does reading help you learn new skills, imagine new worlds, discover real-life heroes, or understand something better? Try to show this through pictures, colours or symbols.
- **Go bold!**
  A gift card should stand out. Use strong images, clear ideas and eye-catching designs that make someone want to pick it up and give it as a gift.
- **Look at real gift cards**
  Check out gift cards in shops or online. What do they have in common? What makes your favourites work so well – and how can you use those ideas in your own design?

You can find the template for the design from the following link https://www.worldbookday.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/NBT_WBD-competition-entry-form.pdf

More information about the competition can be found at

https://www.worldbookday.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/NBT_WBD-competition-entry-form.pdf

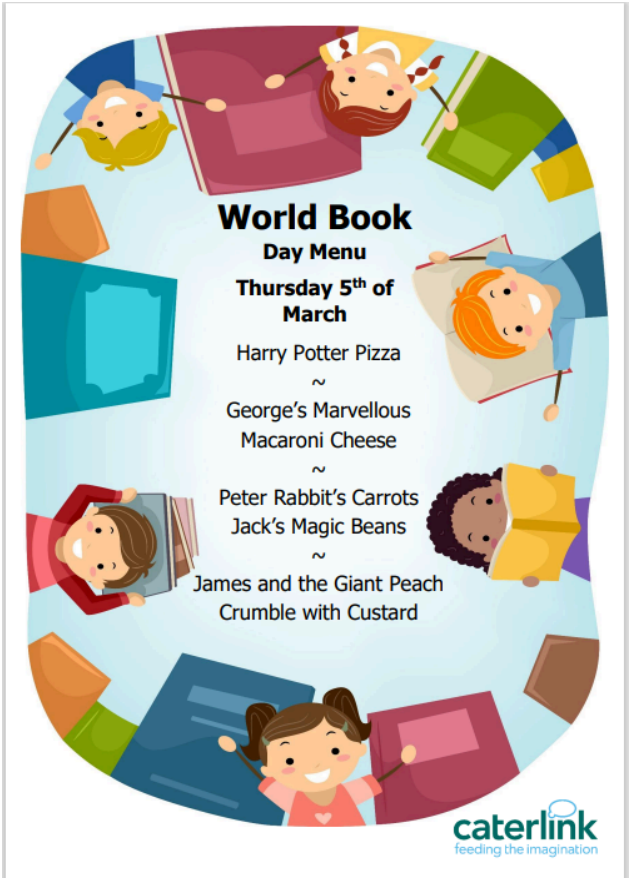
Remember: there's no single 'right' way to read. This is your chance to show how *you* go all in on reading.

Bring your designs back into school by Monday 23rd February so we can get them posted off in time to take part in the National Competition.

Get Creative!

The kitchen will be running a special menu on World Book Day.

Please see the options below.
Bookings to be made for this on ParentPay - this will be available to book from Monday 23rd February.



PTA

Thank you again for all your support for the events this week.

Upcoming Events

5th March - World Book Day (Treat From PTA)

11th and 12th March - Wonderful Women Pop up Shop - Pay on ParentPay

17th March - St Patrick's Day, Wear Something Green - £1 on ParentPay

15th April - Early Years and KS1 Easter Crafts and Egg Hunt - £4 per child, pay on ParentPay

17th April - Year 2 and KS2 Easter Sleepover and Egg Hunt - £20 per child, pay on ParentPay

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The Parents Lottery

The Temple Herdewyke PTA have now signed up for The Parents Lottery through ParentKind.
Get your family and friends involved. You've got to be in it to win it. Good Luck!

https://www.theparentslottery.org/find-your-school

Be part of something special!

Join The Parents Lottery and help us create a thriving school community. Every ticket you buy funds vital projects, from library books to new playground equipment, helping to enrich the lives of our children.

Each £1 ticket also gives you the chance to win £25,000 every Friday along with various other prizes.

We understand that everyone is busy, and finding time to support your school can be challenging. That's why The Parents Lottery makes it so easy to make a real difference. Purchase a ticket online in just a few steps and you'll be automatically entered into the draw. Every ticket sold helps us provide the enriching educational experiences our children deserve. Play The Parents Lottery today and help us empower the next generation.

How to play

1. Choose the school you'd like your tickets to support by entering the name or school's postcode
2. Decide how many entries you'd like and fill in your details to sign up
3. You've now entered next month's weekly draws, good luck!

How does it work?

There will be **various prizes** up for grabs each week including the chance to win the **£25,000 jackpot!** Keep your eyes on the Friday weekly draw to find out if you'll be a winner this week. **And remember 60%* of each ticket you purchase goes to your chosen PTA/school.**

*See our website **theparentslottery.org** for additional details.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding Focus of the Week: The Impact of Smoking Around Children

This week, our safeguarding spotlight is on the impact of smoking around children, particularly in enclosed spaces.

In PSHCE lessons at Temple and Byfield Schools, our Year 3 and 4 pupils have been learning about asthma—including the effects that vaping and smoking can have on young lungs. During class discussions, several children mentioned that they had seen adults smoking in cars.
We want to take this opportunity to remind families that, in the UK, smoking in a vehicle carrying anyone under the age of 18 has been illegal since 2015. This law was introduced to protect children from the significant harm caused by second-hand smoke in enclosed or confined spaces, where toxic chemicals can build up quickly and remain trapped.

Exposure to cigarette smoke—even for a short time—can increase the risk of:

- Asthma attacks
- Respiratory infections
- Reduced lung function
- Long-term health complications

We encourage all adults to help model healthy choices and protect children from avoidable harm by keeping cars and homes completely smoke-free.

This feels particularly relevant - as the Government today are launching a 12 week consolation asking for people's views whether vaping should also be banned in cars with children, outside school gates and in public playgrounds.

For further information, please visit the Government guidance here:
🔗 https://www.gov.uk/government/news/smoking-in-vehicles

SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP OUR YOUNG PEOPLE SAFE

Primary | February 2026

In this issue:

- Children's Mental Health Week
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Children's Mental Health Week

This year's **Children's Mental Health Week** is 9-15th February, the theme is '**This Is My Place'.**

For young children, feeling that they belong is not just about happiness - it is about feeling safe, protected and valued. When children know they have trusted adults, predictable routines and spaces where they feel listened to, it supports their mental health and helps keep them safe. A strong sense of belonging helps children feel confident to speak up, ask for help and share worries before they become overwhelming. Children who feel secure in their relationships at home and school are better able to manage emotions, build healthy friendships and cope with challenges. Feeling included and accepted also reduces vulnerability, as children are more likely to seek support if something does not feel right.

Support for children and families

If you ever have concerns about your child's emotional wellbeing or need advice or support, the following organisations offer trusted guidance for parents and children:

Place2Be

- Provides mental health support in schools and practical advice for parents on children's emotional wellbeing.

YoungMinds

- Offers a dedicated Parents' Helpline, resources on children's mental health and guidance on supporting children through worries, anxiety and big emotions.

NSPCC

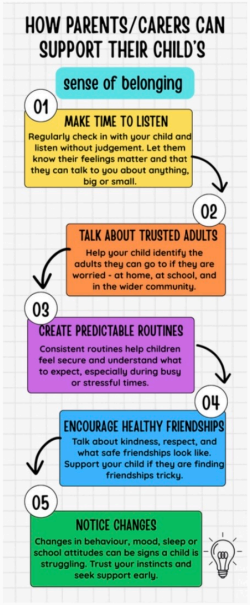
- Provides advice and support around safeguarding, keeping children safe and what to do if you're worried about a child.

Anna Freud Centre

- Shares evidence-based resources to help parents understand and support children's mental and emotional development.

Childline

- A free, confidential service for children and young people who need someone to talk to. It can be reassuring for children to know support is available beyond home and school.



If you are worried about your child, it's always best to seek support early. You can also speak directly to school staff if you have concerns - working together helps ensure children feel safe, supported and secure.

SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

Safer Internet Day: Smart Tech, Safe Choices

This year's Safer Internet Day is 10th February and the theme is 'Smart Tech, Safe Choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI.' As technology becomes an everyday part of children's lives, it is important that we help them use it safely, responsibly and with confidence.

Many primary-age children already interact with technology that uses artificial intelligence (AI), such as voice assistants, games, learning apps and online content recommendations. These tools can support learning, creativity and curiosity when used appropriately and with adult guidance.

However, while AI can be helpful and engaging, it also presents risks that young children may not recognise. AI tools can sometimes provide inaccurate information, expose children to unsuitable content, or encourage them to trust what they see and hear too easily. Some platforms collect personal data, blur the line between what is real and computer-generated or present content in ways that feel friendly but are not designed with children's safety in mind. Without clear guidance, children may struggle to judge what is safe, making adult supervision and open conversations essential.

From a safeguarding perspective, supporting children to make safe choices online is just as important as keeping them safe offline. When children feel informed, supervised, and able to talk openly about their online experiences, they are more likely to speak up if something worries them. Helping children understand boundaries, protect personal information and know where to seek help builds confidence and reduces vulnerability.

If you have any concerns about your child's online experiences, please speak to a member of school staff. Working together helps ensure children feel safe, supported and confident to make smart choices online.

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February Half Term Clubs

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COACHING
FEBRUARY
HALF TERM
@Boddington Village Hall
Tuesday 17th February & Thursday 19th February
10-2.30pm £15 per day - Ages 6-13
Sibling discount - 2 x places for £25
2 day discount - £25 for both days
To secure a place please email hello@zenoclothing.co.uk with child's name, age, a contact number and confirm payment.
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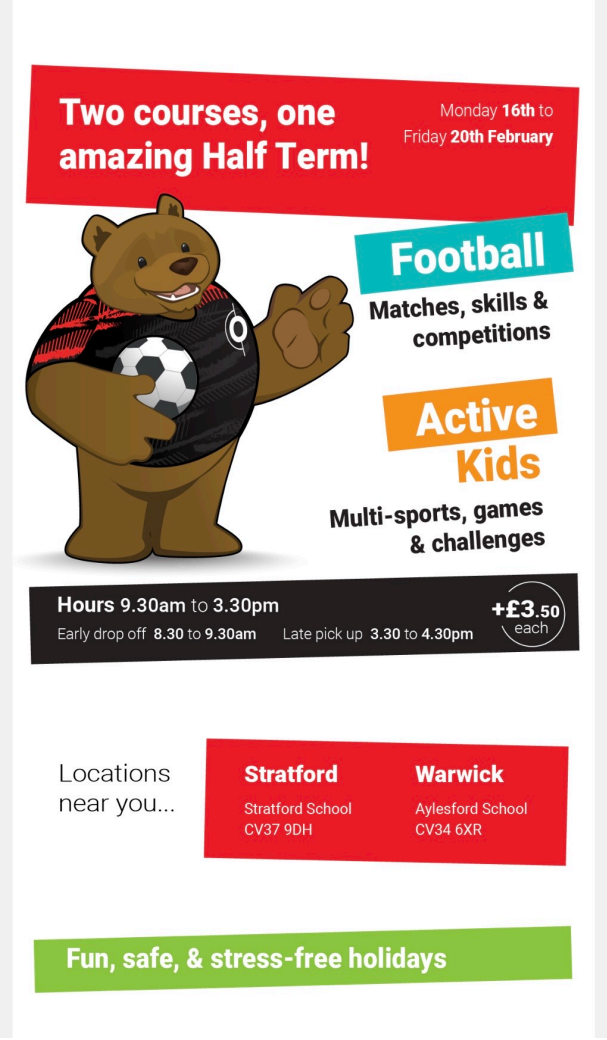
Onside
Coaching
February
Half Term!
Fun, active & flexible holiday childcare


Two courses, one amazing Half Term!
Monday 16th to Friday 20th February
Football
Matches, skills & competitions
Active Kids
Multi-sports, games & challenges
Hours 9.30am to 3.30pm
Early drop off 8.30 to 9.30am
Late pick up 3.30 to 4.30pm
+£3.50 each
Locations near you...
Stratford
Stratford School
CV37 9DH
Warwick
Aylesford School
CV34 6XR
Fun, safe, & stress-free holidays

From the office

Thank you!
Thank you to everyone who shopped at the book fair this week.

With your support we raised enough rewards to enable us to buy £100 worth of brand new books, these will go in our new library.

Have a lovely half term break!

Mrs Bartlett

ParentPay, lunches, and wraparound care
To ensure our kitchen can plan ahead, please book your child's lunches in advance, before Thursday of the week before.

The same goes for Breakfast Club and After School Clubs.
Early After School Club ends at 4.30pm, and if you are late to pick up, your child will automatically be booked onto Late Club at a charge of £5.
Late After School Club ends at 5.30pm.

Please check for any outstanding balances on ParentPay and clear them by the end of term.

Studybugs
We use Studybugs to report your child's absence due to illness efficiently and securely. If you haven't already, please register for Studybugs and use it to let us know when your child is unable to attend school. It's quick, easy, and automatically reminds you to keep us posted. By using Studybugs, you'll also be helping the NHS and other public health organizations improve children's health.
Get the app or register now

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium
Have you recently checked your eligibility for free school meals? If not, it might be worth your while. Even if your child already receives universal free school meals, you might qualify for free holiday activities and food. This could also bring in additional funding for the school.
Please use the following link.
Free School Meals and Pupil Premium information

School Uniform
Please ensure that the school's main colour for uniform of Royal Blue is adhered to. Whilst there is no obligation to purchase school uniform with a logo, we do have a range of items available from Zeno Sportswear should you wish to choose this option. All the essentials, such as polo shirts and t-shirts are available as well as waterproof forest school suits, skorts, hats, PE hoodies and bags.
The link for the uniform shop is here: Zenosportswear
Our uniform and kit list can be found here: Uniform and Kit List

STUDYBUGS

Useful links

Internet Safety Guides
Group Chats
Screen Time
Toddler Screen Time
Age Ratings
Horror Games
Supporting Mental Health and Online Safety

Warwickshire Cost of Living Website: Warwickshire services are working together to help people find the information they need to manage increased household costs. This is a difficult time for many people and finding direct support can be hard.
National and local links to services are listed on this page as well as information on related topics. Cost of Living

Healthy Start: If you are pregnant, or have a child under four, you may be eligible for a healthy start card to help buy food and milk. Once activated, the card is regularly topped up with money to enable you to buy certain types of milk, infant formula, fruit, vegetables, and vitamins. You can apply online through the Healthy Start website: Get help to buy food and milk (Healthy Start)

Household Support Fund: Warwickshire County Council's Local Welfare Scheme aims to support vulnerable Warwickshire residents most in need of financial support with food, energy and water bills. For more information please contact:
Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme - 01926 359182 or 0800 4081448
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme

For information about wider support from the council and other services, go to:
https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/costofliving

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium information

Free School Meals

Important Dates

16th February - 20th February - Half Term
23rd February - School reopens
23rd - 27th February - Year 5 & 6 Dol-y-Moch Residential
3rd March - PTA Challenge 2026 sponsorship forms to be returned to school
5th March - World Book Day
9th - 13th March - British Science Week 2026
11th and 12th March - PTA Wonderful Women Pop up Shop
17th March - St Patrick's Day - Wear Something Green
27th March - Last day of term
30th March - 10th April - Easter Holidays
13th April - School reopens - Summer Term
15th April - PTA Early Years and KS1 Easter Crafts and Egg Hunt
17th April - PTA Year 2 and KS2 Easter Sleepover and Egg Hunt

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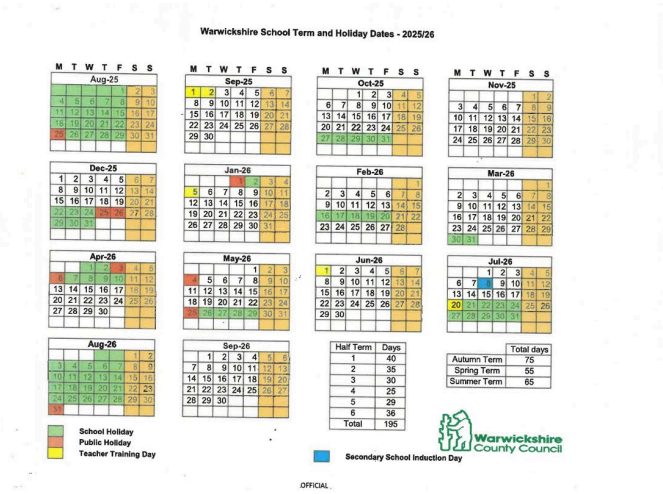
2025/2026 Term Dates



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