



Newsletter

Friday 9th January 2026

What's been happening this week?

Welcome to the Spring Term and the first newsletter of 2026! Despite the weather, the children have settled back in really well.

We were delighted to welcome Nourish as our new school meal providers and we have really enjoyed the first week's lunches. Highlights included the yummy biscuits, the pizza and the beef stew with dumplings! If your child currently has packed lunches, now would be a great time for them to try the school lunches- they really are great and the children are loving them. We have our first theme day menu on Thursday to celebrate Winnie the Pooh Day!

We had a great assembly from Sportacus on Wednesday. They gave out awards for excellent sporting behaviour and achievement at their clubs and promoted their new club- Tag Rugby. We now have Gymnastics, Dodgeball and Tag Rugby on offer for all children from Reception to Year 6. Get your child signed up on the Sportacus website!

What is happening in next week?

We begin our 'Four in a Week' challenge next week! The challenge is to read at home at least four times a week. Parents need to sign the reading record book and support their child with their reading. Children will get a special stamp in their book and be entered into a draw with the chance of winning a Reading Prize. This is part of our National Year of Reading focus, to promote a whole family reading culture.

[National Year of Reading Website](#)

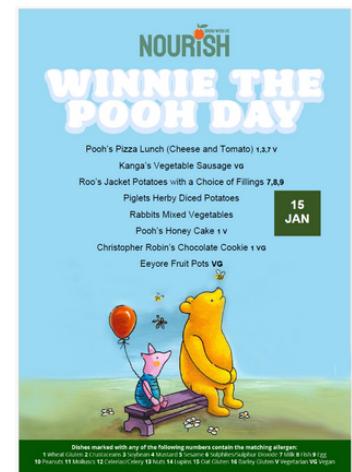
We will have an assembly about our new Musician of the Month- Florence Price- please see fact sheet below.

We will have a Rights Respecting Assembly, learning about Rights Across the World, this time with a focus on Jamaica. The celebrations of Isra and Mi'raj will also feature in assembly this week as we learn about this important time in the Muslim calendar.

F@B are delighted to announce that they have successfully secured a £2000 grant from BUPA. Thank you BUPA! The money is to be spent on planting to enhance biodiversity in the school grounds. If anyone has any expertise in this area and is willing to advise us on how best to spend the money, please do get in touch!



[Nourish Website](#)



Club News

In the Spring Term Sportacus are offering the following clubs:

Monday- Tag Rugby

Wednesday: Gymnastics

Thursday Dodgeball.

Please see WEDUC for sign up details to secure your child's spot!



School club places have now been allocated and will start next week!

Attendance

Well done to Reception, Year 5 and Year 6 for minimum learning time lost to lateness!

Attendance Statistics

06 Jan 2026 - 09 Jan 2026

Registration Form	Present R/C: Marks (%)	Late R/C: Marks (%)
Reception	94.2%	0.5%
Year 1	98%	1.5%
Year 2	96.7%	1.4%
Year 3	97%	3.4%
Year 4	95.8%	1.8%
Year 5	97.9%	0.5%
Year 6	96.3%	0.5%

Important Dates

January 2026		February 2026	
Monday 5 th January	INSET Day - No school	Tuesday 10 th February	Open Classroom
Tues 4 th Jan	Start of Spring Term	Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th February	Half Term

Important Information From the Office

Year 5: Complete permission form on Weduc for Year 5 visit to the Globe Theatre. Make payment on Arbor for Globe Theatre

Music: Payments due for music lessons by Friday 30th January. Music lessons starting next week – please remember instruments

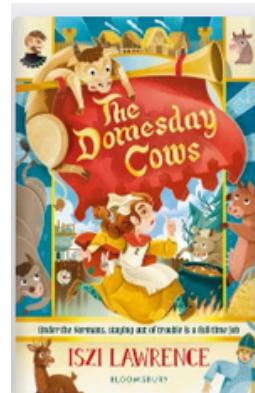
Clubs: Clubs starting, please let Vikki know if your child no longer wishes to do the club so that we can offer their place to another child

Please collect your child on time. If you know you are going to be late to please let us know. If possible, make alternative arrangements

Check the lost property and please label your child's clothes.

We have a lot of outstanding payments for the year 5 and year 6 author visit last year - please make payment as soon as possible

Children's Book of the Month



From the rising star of children's historical fiction, Iszi Lawrence, this is a hilarious medieval tale of sibling hijinks, confused cows and nasty nobles with a comical culture clash between Anglo-Saxons and Normans. The perfect adventure for fans of Emma Carroll and Jacqueline Wilson, aged 9+

HOME INFORMATION

January's Musician of the Month

Florence Price

About: Florence Beatrice Price (1887 – 1953) was an American classical composer, pianist, organist and music teacher. Price is noted as the first African-American woman to be recognized as a symphonic composer, and the first to have a composition played by a major orchestra. In 2009, a substantial collection of her works and papers was found in her abandoned summer home.

Genres: Classical

Active from: 1927 - 1953

Origin: Arkansas, U.S.A.

Now Playing: Spotify

Books to read...

If you like Florence Price, try...

- William Grant Still
- Shirley Thompson
- Errollyn Wallen