St Giles' C.E. Primary School Newsletter 23.10.26



Honouring Our Communities

Black History Month 2026 invites us to recognise the communities that shape, support and strengthen Britain.

This year's theme, Honouring Our Communities, reflects the fact that Black history is not only made through landmark events or by famous names.

This week children have been exploring **Black History Month**, learning about the achievements, contributions and experiences of influential Black individuals throughout history. Through discussion, research and creative activities, pupils have developed a greater understanding of diversity, equality and the importance of celebrating different cultures.



UNICEF Ambassadors presented Black History Month celebration to the whole school, with emphasis on Article 2 and Article 30.

Read Write Inc. (Phonics)

Stronger Readers Brighter Futures

Parental Information Events

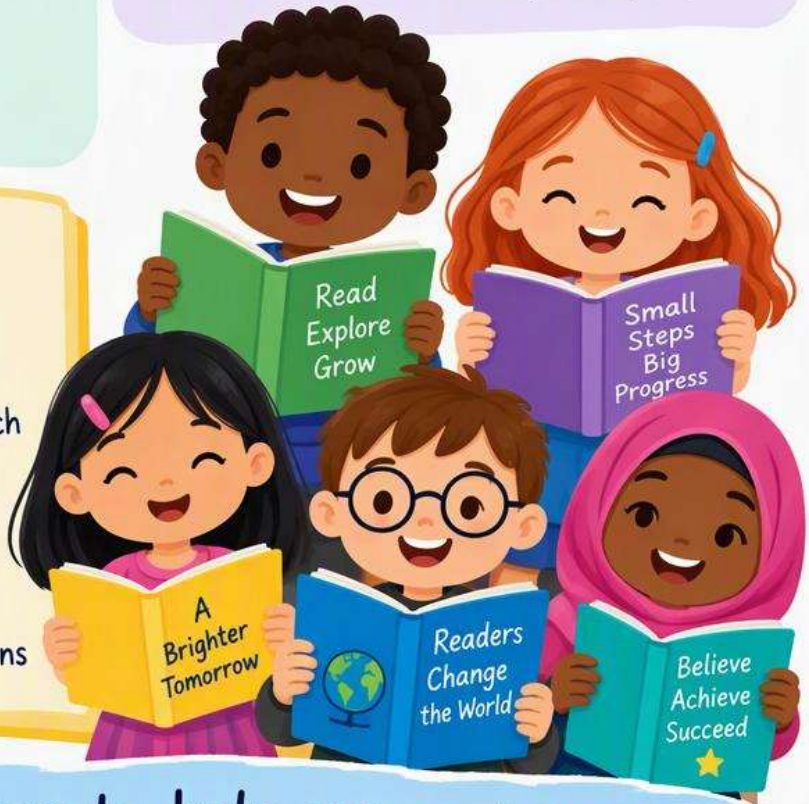
We warmly invite parents and carers to attend our Read Write Inc. information sessions to learn more about how phonics is taught and how you can support your child at home.

Monday 16th November

- 2.15pm – Reception (RS)
- 4.30pm – 1S
- 5.15pm – 1G

Tuesday 17th November

- 2.15pm – Read Write Inc. Reception (RG)



Learn about:

- How children learn to read through phonics
- The Read Write Inc. approach used in school
- Practical ways to support reading at home
- Opportunities to ask questions

Working together to help every child become a confident reader.

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Further details available from the school office.



Kindness Respect Aspiration Community

Great readers brighter tomorrows

Together we learn
Together we grow

PARENTAL INFORMATION MEETINGS

Brighter Futures Together

Supporting Your Child's Learning at Home

We warmly invite all parents and carers to attend these important information meetings to find out how you can support your child's learning and progress at home.

Every child matters

Monday 23rd November
5.00pm

Year 6 SATs Parental Meeting

Learn about:

- SATs assessments
- Expectations for Year 6
- Revision strategies
- Ways to support learning at home



Monday 30th November
5.00pm

Year 5 Parental Meeting

Find out about:

- Curriculum expectations
- Key learning priorities
- Preparing for Year 6
- Supporting homework and reading at home

Small Steps Big Futures

Please do come along!

This is a great opportunity to learn more about your child's education and discover practical ways to support their school work at home.

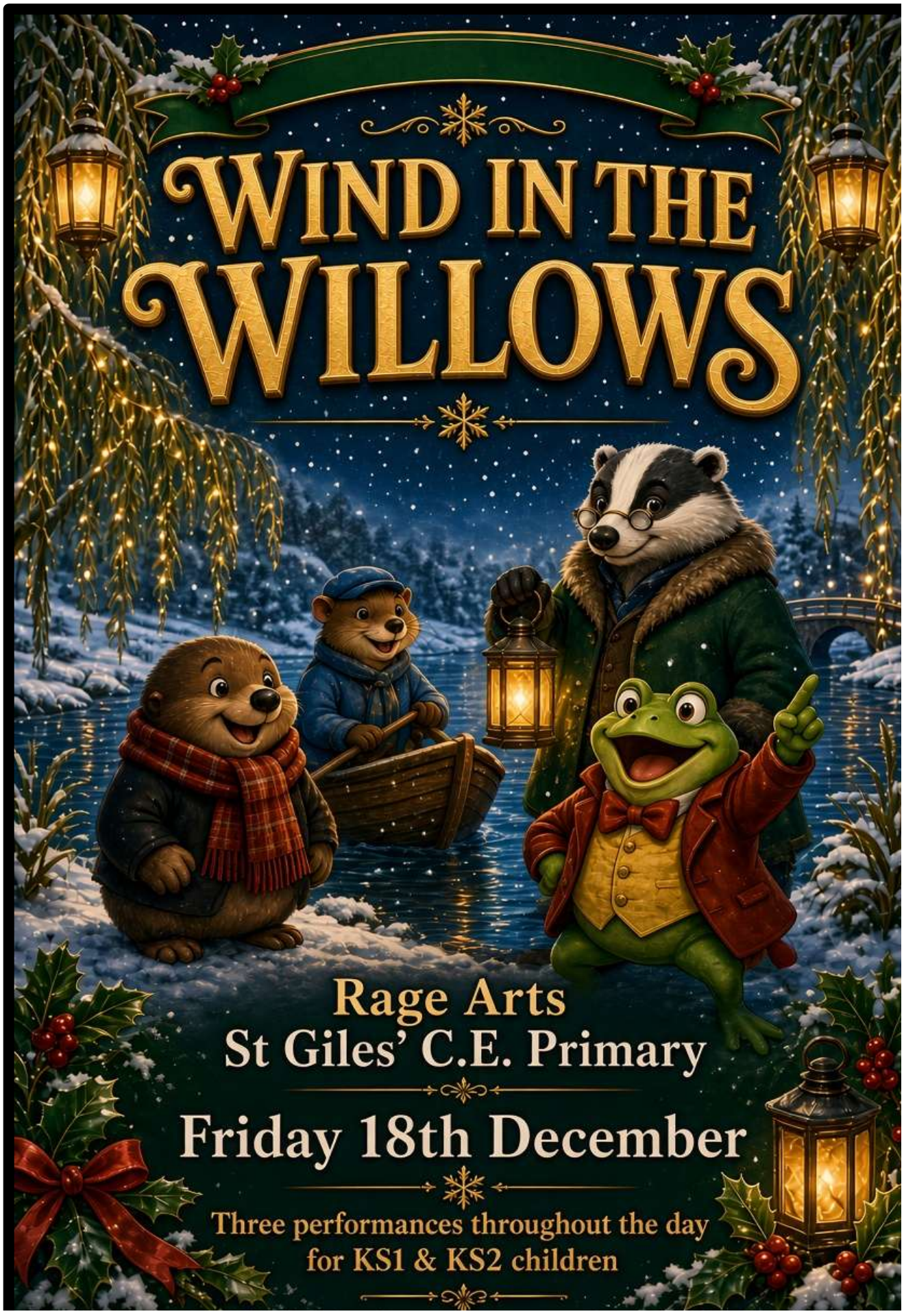


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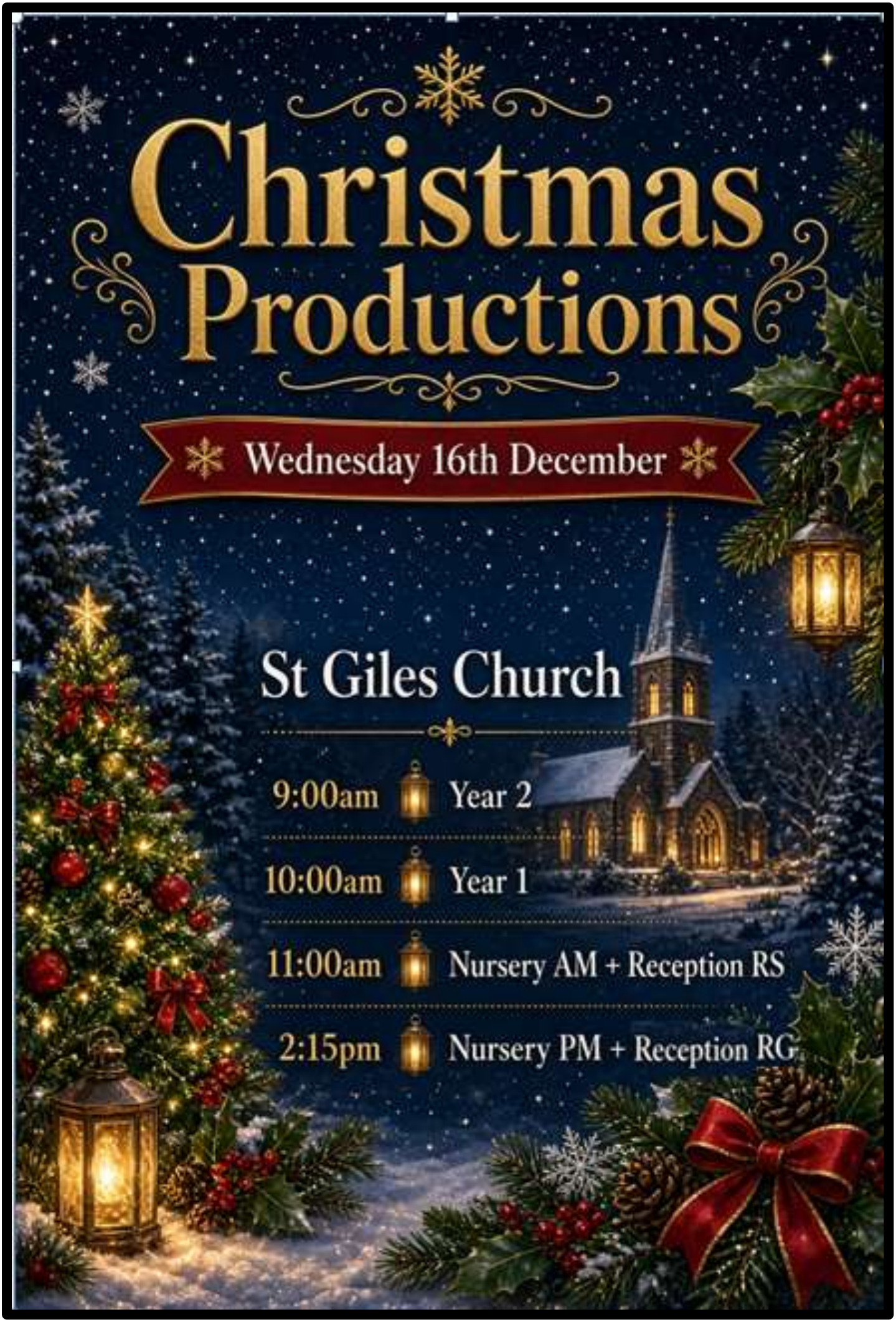
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Working together to help every child achieve their full potential.

Stronger Learners Happier Futures


WIND IN THE WILLOWS
Rage Arts
St Giles' C.E. Primary
Friday 18th December
Three performances throughout the day
for KS1 & KS2 children


ALADDIN
Friday 11th December 9.30am
Nursery-Reception and KS1


Christmas Productions
Wednesday 16th December
St Giles Church
9:00am Year 2
10:00am Year 1
11:00am Nursery AM + Reception RS
2:15pm Nursery PM + Reception RG

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UNICEF Class Charter Presentations

Location: St Giles Church – 9.00am on the dates below

Parents and Carers Welcome

- Friday 2nd October 2026 – 6G
- Friday 6th November 2026 – 5S
- Friday 20th November 2026 – 4G
- Friday 4th December 2026 – 3G
- Friday 8th January 2027 – 2G
- Friday 22nd January 2027 – 1G
- Friday 29th January 2027 – 1S

Reception & Nursery

- Friday 9th October 2026 – 6S
- Friday 13th November 2026 – 5G
- Friday 27th November 2026 – 4S
- Friday 11th December 2026 – 3S
- Friday 15th January 2027 – 2S



♥ Every child. Every right. Everywhere. ♥

unicef.org.uk

Autumn Term Class Visits – Willenhall Library



Autumn Term Class Visit Dates

3S – 11th September	5S – 9th October,
3G – 18th September	5G – 16th October,
4S – 25th September.	6S – 6th November,
4G – 2nd October.	6G – 13th November

National Year of Reading 2026

Please ensure your child brings their Library Card with them so they can loan books from the library.

National School Attendance Award

2025/26 Summer Term

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St Giles Church of England Primary School

Top 25% of similar FFT Primary Schools in England



School Uniform /PE Day Reminders

Thank you for ensuring children attend school looking smart in their school uniforms. As a reminder, it is essential that children attend wearing school shoes and not boots, particularly now as we are hopefully over the winter weather.

On PE Days– please ensure your child attends wearing the agreed kit:

1) **White Polo Shirt under the school jumper/cardigan**

2) **Black Shorts /Black Jogging Bottoms**

3) **Trainers**

Support as always is much appreciated.



IMPORTANT REMINDER:

BRING YOUR BOOK BAG!



Our school has invested **thousands** of pounds into providing quality reading books for the children.

To help us keep these books in great condition:

✓ Please ensure your child attends school with a book bag.

✗ Please do NOT place water bottles inside book bags.

Water bottles are causing books to become water damaged beyond repair, and we want every child to enjoy these wonderful reading resources.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.
Together we can protect our books and foster a love of reading!



NATIONAL YEAR OF READING

GO ALL IN

2026/27 academic year

Autumn term 2026

Term starts: Tuesday 1 September 2026

Half term holiday: Monday 26 October 2026 to Friday 30 October 2026

Term ends: Friday 18 December 2026

Spring term 2027

Term starts: Monday 4 January 2027

Half term holiday: Monday 15 February 2027 to Friday 19 February 2027

Term ends: Thursday 25 March 2027

Summer term 2027

Term starts: Monday 12 April 2027

Half term holiday: Monday 31 May 2027 to Friday 4 June 2027

Term ends: Wednesday 21 July 2027

SCHOOL INSET- SCHOOL CLOSED

~~**INSET 1 Tuesday 1st September 2026**~~

~~**INSET 2 Wednesday 30th September 2026**~~

INSET 3 Wednesday 25th November 2026

INSET 4 Wednesday 27th January 2027

INSET 5 Wednesday 30th June 2027

NSPCC

HELPLINE

0808 800 5000

help@nspcc.org.uk

If you have any concerns about a child, trust your instincts and contact the NSPCC Helpline. Our specialist team will listen, advise and take any action needed.

An estimated 1 in 20 children have experienced sexual abuse. And child sexual abuse is under-reported by adults. It's time for that to change.

It's never too soon to talk to us. And what you share could make a life-changing difference to a child.

You can contact the NSPCC Helpline by calling 0808 800 5000, emailing help@NSPCC.org.uk or completing our report abuse online form.

Due to an increase in demand across our service, our voice Helpline is currently available 11am–5pm Monday to Friday. You can still email help@NSPCC.org.uk or complete our report abuse online form at any time for free. You don't have to say who you are.

If you think a child is in immediate danger, please call the police on 999 straight away.

WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

Children's rights are learned, understood and lived in this school.