



WRITTLE SCHOOLS NEWS

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2025

Well done to all the children for paying their respects to the fallen in our 2 minutes silence on Armistice Day. The Year 2 children went to the village green to mark the occasion with many other local residents and school families.

Thank you for your generous donations to Children in Need today, everyone looked resplendent in their spotty attire! We raised over £400 across the schools, for a very worthy cause.

This week we said farewell to the wonderful Mrs Huckle, as she begins a new adventure at another local school. Her work has made such a difference to so many children who have passed through our schools, so she will be much missed and we wish her well.

As primary school applications open this week, we held our second open evening for parents of children starting school next September, as well as induction meetings for Year 2 children moving up to Year 3. Remember you must [apply by the deadline of 15th January 2026!](#)

Have a lovely weekend.

NP Taylor

Wilson

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	INFANTS Further dates on our website	JUNIORS Further dates on our website
Thu 20 Nov	8am: Both schools open for photos of <i>siblings</i> (Nursery/Infant/Junior children). <i>Individual photos of every child will be taken during the school day.</i> After school: No staff clubs today!	
Mon 24 Nov	9.30am: Y1 & Y2 Advent Service at All Saints' Church PM: Catch up flu vaccination session for both schools, held at Writtle Junior School	

Please check communications to parents for further details, or contact your school office.

LINKS TO IMPORTANT INFORMATION

HOME LEARNING	INFANTS Reception Year 1 Year 2	JUNIORS All homework is uploaded to Showbie .
CLUBS TIMETABLE	Infants	Juniors
SCHOOL LUNCH MENU - Please click here for the new school menu, w/c 17th Nov is Week 3* <i>*Please note there is an error on the menu - there are no jacket potatoes on a Wednesday.</i>		
COMMUNITY NEWS - Please click here for local events, resources and charity updates.		
KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE - Internet Matters		

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

INFANTS	JUNIORS
96.2%	94.8%

CELEBRATIONS!

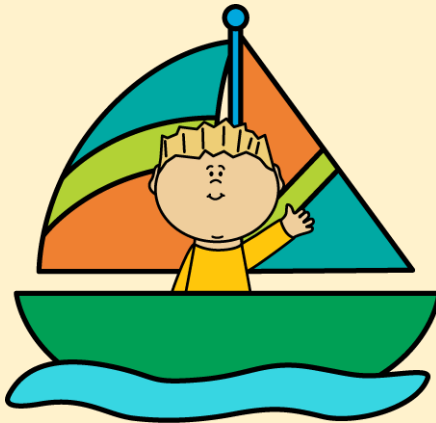
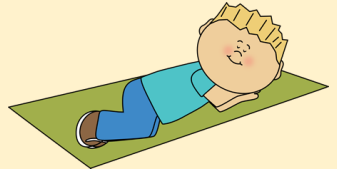
INFANTS - SUPERSTAR AWARDS!			
SQUIRRELS - Rocco, Bobby		FOXES - Winnie, Alfie	
TURTLES - Lennon, Jace	PARROTS - Noah, Cecelia	DOLPHINS - Olivia, Emma-Rose	SHARKS - Oliver M, Thomas
LUNCHTIME CLASS OF THE WEEK - Dolphins			
JUNIORS - CHILDREN'S MAKE THEIR DAY!			
LS - Matilda	RT - George	SW - Finley B	KH - Ava, Maria
CL - Max	HA - Evie	SH - Leo	SL - Charlie
SPECIAL MENTIONS: LS - Sofia and Martha, RT - Nevai and Seren, KH - Isla and Eden, SW - Joscelyn and Henry H, CL - Isabelle, Eden-Rose and Joe P, HA - Rachel and Francesca, SH - Freddie and Selim, SL - Jess, Myla and Zara			

LITTLE WRITTLE WRITES

By Thomas and Teddy, Year 6

Last Friday evening, the Year 6 prefects came back to school at 6:30 p.m. for our long-awaited sleepover! When we arrived, we set up our things in the Year 3 classrooms - SL put their stuff in LS and SH in RT. We started the night with some fun team activities in our Sports Day groups. The Yellow Team played a Blooket quiz with Mr Lambert, the Green Team took on an obstacle course with Mr Taylor, and the Blue Team played Murder in the Dark with Miss Herdman. Every 15 minutes, we swapped activities so everyone got to try them all. Earlier that day, we had prepared some vegetables, and the staff kindly turned them into a delicious soup for our dinner. After eating, we went outside for a bit before setting up our beds. Lights went out at 10:10 p.m., and everyone settled down for the night. The next morning, we were up bright and early at 6:30 a.m. and headed outside to start the day. It was such a fun and memorable evening - definitely one we'll all remember from our final year at school!

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM

RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
 This week the children have been singing Row Row Row Your Boat and having fun making paper boats. In phonics we have been learning the phonemes v, w, x, y. The children are doing an amazing job with their blending! In our mastering number lessons, we have been exploring the word equal and what that means.	 This week Parrots have been learning how to turn the 'curly c' into a,d,g,q and o. We have been developing our fine motor skills with playdough and strengthening our core with some fun exercises. Turtles class has been joining in too but continuing with cursive. We have also looked inside a pumpkin and collected all the seeds. We discussed the different parts of the pumpkin and described how the pumpkin smelt, felt and what it looked like.	 Year 2 were very respectful on their visit to the war memorial in Writtle Green, where they recited a poem called 'Poppy Poppy'. In class, we've been developing our understanding of verbs and exploring our new topic through the book 'Arctic or Antarctic', as well as recounting everything we've learned so far. In Maths, we've been working on equations with a difference of one and discovering that when you add or subtract two from an odd number, you get another odd number — and the same pattern happens with even numbers! We also enjoyed our first PE session with the Writtle College students, which we loved, even though we had to exercise indoors due to the rain! Finally, in our topic work, we've been learning more about habitats and channelling our inner Andy Warhol in Computing by taking creative photos on the iPads!	
YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
 In Year 3 we have started our new book, The Pebble in my Pocket, which traces the history of the Earth through a single pebble. We have learned about significant developments in the Stone Age, investigated	 In Year Four, we have started reading a new book called 'Ice Palace', an adventure story set in a frozen landscape. For their half term holiday, the children were asked to make an ice palace or a wintry landscape. We have been blown away with	 Over the past couple of weeks in Year 5 we have been following the story of 'Alfie' a soldier who took part in the Dunkirk and D-Day invasions. The story is told through the eyes of a young Michael Morpurgo as he traces the life of a young soldier he hears about from Bradwell on Sea. We have learnt so much about the	 On Friday evening, the Year 6 children came back to school at 6:30pm for an evening of activities, some food (that they had prepared during the day) and then a sleepover! There was lots of fun and laughter and everybody got at least 2 hours sleep 😊.

YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
permeability in rocks, and really got to grips with methods for addition and subtraction. We have also created some beautiful poppy artworks, as you can see!	the amazing models that have been brought in. They are absolutely fantastic! We are also reading 'The Nutcracker' and children brought in models of the characters. I think you'll agree they are all very impressive.	invasions and life for the people both in France and England during WW2. Our work culminated in creating collages of the flotilla of boats from Dunkirk using the speeches of Winston Churchill as a background. In maths, we are looking at factors and common factors, multiplying by 100,1000 and 10,000 and continuing with our minute maths. Our topic theme is Lights, Camera, Action and we have spent time finding out about the history of animation before we begin to build our own animations. We have enjoyed making our own thaumatropes and we will make a flip book too.	