



# WRITTLE SCHOOLS NEWS

FRIDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2026

Dear Parents,

We hope you all had a restful half term week. The children have come back to school raring to go and we're all looking forward to next Thursday's World Book Day! All children are encouraged to come to school dressed either as their favourite book character or as their favourite word (or words) that they have come across in a book.

We would also love to see photos of your children reading in unusual places, we've received a few so far and they've been brilliant! Please email your pictures to either school office. The Infant School would be really grateful if you could re-send any photos you might have already sent, as some weren't received and we don't want to miss any!

Enjoy the weekend and we will see you on Monday.

*NP Taylor*

*Wilson*

*Clore*

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**THU 5th MAR** - World Book Day

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

## LINKS TO IMPORTANT INFORMATION

HOME LEARNING	INFANTS <a href="#">Year 1</a>   <a href="#">Year 2</a>	JUNIORS All homework is uploaded to <a href="#">Showbie</a> .
CLUBS TIMETABLE	<a href="#">WIS Clubs</a>	<a href="#">WJS Clubs</a>
SCHOOL LUNCH MENU - <a href="#">Please click here for the new school menu, w/c 2nd Mar is Week 3*</a> *Please note there is an error on the menu - there are no jacket potatoes on a Wednesday.		
COMMUNITY NEWS - <a href="#">Please click here for local events, resources and charity updates.</a>		
ESSEX CHILD & FAMILY WELLBEING SERVICE DROP-IN - Every Tuesday pm, Wittle Infant School library, <a href="#">sign up here</a>		

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

INFANTS	JUNIORS
95.7%	94.6%

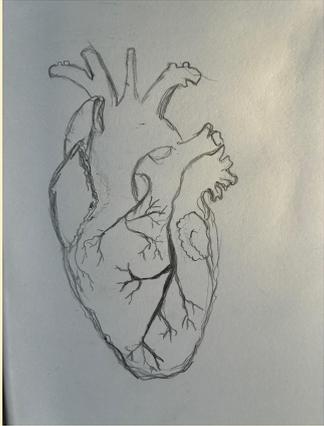
# CELEBRATIONS!

INFANTS - SUPERSTAR AWARDS!			
SQUIRRELS - Fynnley, Hazel, Jasper		FOXES - Rosie, Jack	
TURTLES - Honor, Otis M-C	PARROTS - Rosie, Giorgio	DOLPHINS - Lexie, Violet	SHARKS - Savannah, Freddie
JUNIORS - TEACHERS' MAKE THEIR DAY!			
LS - Libby	RT - Leo	SW - Samuel	KH - Archie J
CL - Henry K	HA - Alex	SH - Una	SL - Isaac
Class of the week: KH, SH Special Mentions: Ruby D (HA)			

## NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM

RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2
 <p>Welcome back children! Before half term, the children were learning about the life of the artist Vincent van Gogh. The children looked at his different paintings and all made their own version of The Starry Night which they have taken home. Foxes and Squirrels both made a class collage, with each child contributing to the art piece. They look fantastic!</p>	 <p>We have begun to look at our new book for this half term- 'How to Find Gold'. We learnt about gold and where it can be found. We also thought about what the book might be about, thinking about the characters that might be in the story, the setting and events that might happen! We all had great ideas! We were also very excited about forest school this week.</p>	 <p>What a fantastic first week back! We hit the ground running by recapping a perfect sentence with capital letters, full stops, and finger spaces. Many children even challenged themselves to use expanded noun phrases and varied punctuation! In English, we've been intrigued by our new book, Pip &amp; Egg. This heartwarming story about friendship sparked lovely moments where we shared pictures of our own special people and made predictions about the plot of the book. You might even hear the word 'plumage' at home; this was our "Word of the Week," which we explored while practicing comparative adjectives like 'fluffier' and 'smaller'. In Maths, we've been mastering the 5 and 10 times-tables, specifically deepening our understanding of the relationship between the two. Finally, we've rounded off the week as scientists and</p>

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		explorers, where we've been investigating what makes a plant healthy and identifying the world's continents and oceans!

YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
 <p>We have had a great start to this half term in Year 3! In maths, we have been learning all about measurement and have become experts in using a ruler correctly. We have been looking at the continents and oceans and have been labelling world maps to help us in our topic this half term in Geography. In English, we have been looking at our new book, Milo Imagines the World, we have been really creative and thought of how we would imagine the world, have a look at some of our ideas!</p>	 <p>This week in year 4 we have started our new topics- Roman' Romans and Living Things and their Habitats. Our new English book is the Bluest of Blues and is the story of Anna Atkins, the first person to create a published book of photographs. We have been looking at our own photographs and thinking about what they mean to us and why we take them. Children have started to bring on some wonderful pieces of homework related to the Romans, and this week, we've been talking about how and why the Romans came here from Italy.</p>	 <p>Our new half term brings a new topic and it is called 'Dear David'. Throughout this, we are completing an environmental project that the children have chosen, that links into our visits, last half term from the Wilderness Foundation. We are also looking ahead to the 100th birthday of David Attenborough hence the topic title. Maths sees us multiply fractions including mixed numbers and we are continuing Skellig in English.</p>	 <p>We have launched our new cross-curricular topic based on Romeo and Juliet. In Geography, we are exploring Italy, locating it within Europe and learning about its major cities and culture. In Science, we are studying the circulatory system and the function of the heart. In Art, bringing our learning together, the children have been creating detailed anatomical heart drawings.</p>