

UPDATE FOR PARENTS

Friday 26th
September
2025

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Thought for the week...

On 21st September we celebrated World Peace Day.

This gives us all an opportunity to reflect on how to build a global culture of peace through education, dialogue, and cooperation between diverse cultures.

We teach the children to look first for a peaceful solution to problems that we have, so that this peace will affect others and spread across the world.



Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who has made a generous donation to our modular mud kitchen. We have already raised £256!

Modular mud kitchen systems enable children to develop their creativity and problem solving whilst having a full body physical experience. The modular system helps turn the mud play area into a space for scientific investigations and challenging play. When children can move items then a hob isn't just a hob, it's dash board in a space ship and a thousand other opportunities!

[Here](#) is the link to the kitchen we are hoping to buy.

If any parents would be willing to make a donation for this purchase, we would be most grateful. The school office have set up a gateway payment called 'Modular Mud kitchen'.

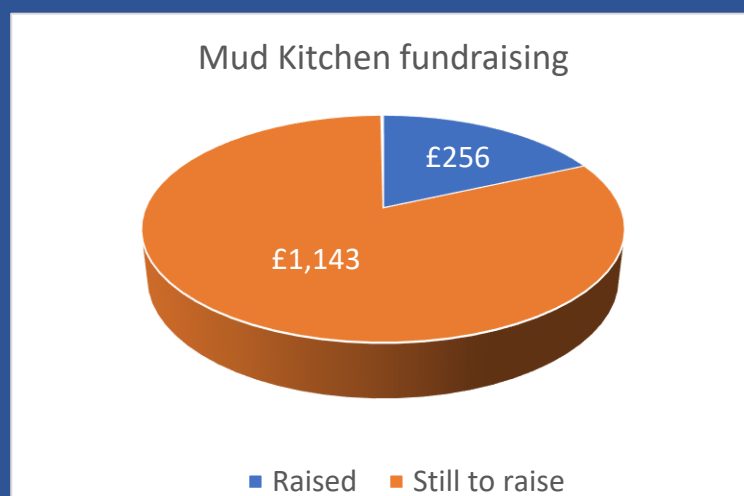
A donation isn't expected but, as a guide, if each family donated £6 we would reach our target.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

With best wishes,

Christina Singh

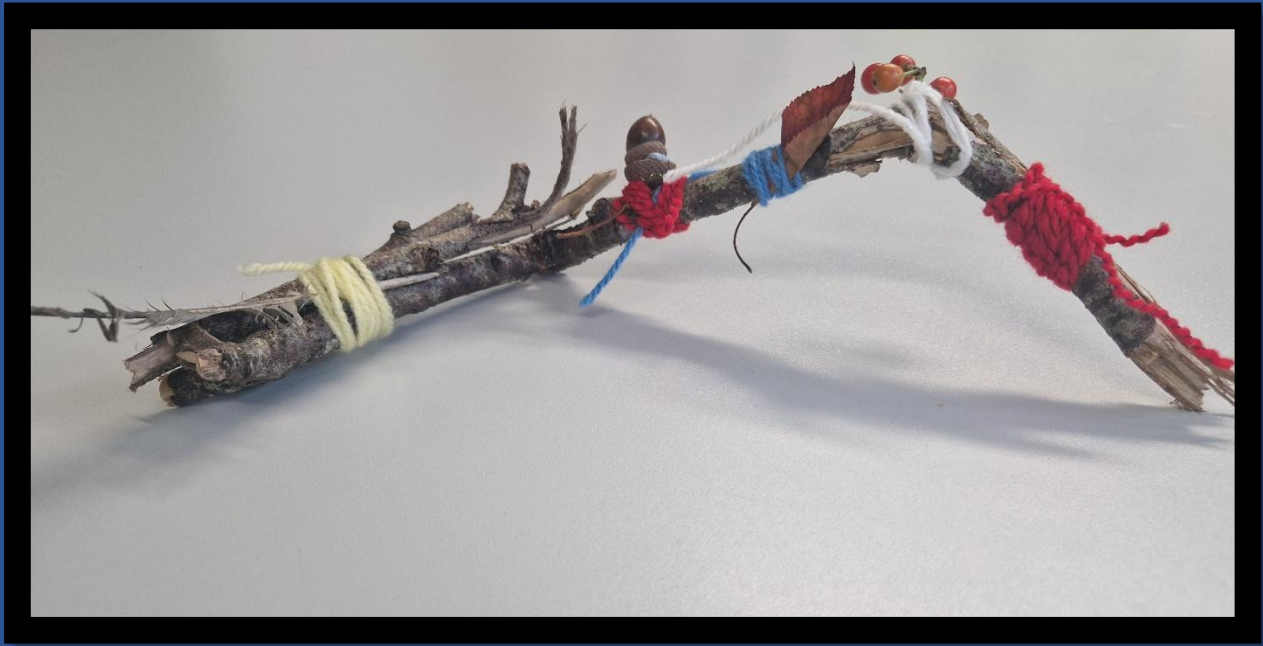
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Events for the Autumn Term

Date	Event	Time	Notes
02/10/2025	Whole school Flu Vaccination	8:30 to 12pm	Please see the email sent 12 th September
09/10/2025	Y5 - Waterside Theatre Trip	12pm to 5pm	Year 5 Class Teachers will be asking for parent volunteers
16/10/2025	Whole School Art Exhibition	TBA	Open to all parents
20/10/2025	Y4 - Ancient Greek Workshop	9am to 3pm	Year 4 Class Teachers will be asking for parent volunteers
21/10/2025	Y5 - Bayfordbury Observatory	9am to 1:30pm	Year 5 Class Teachers will be asking for parent volunteers
23/10/2025	Y3 - Chiltern Open Air Museum	9am to 3pm	Year 3 Class Teachers will be asking for parent volunteers
24/10/2025	Last day of the Half Term	3.20pm	Usual 3.20pm collection time
18/11/2025	Flu Vaccination - Catch-up Session	TBA	For those children who missed the first vaccination - Email to follow with parental consent form
18/11/2025	Parents Evening - Online	3.45pm-7.00pm	Parents of children in years 3 – 6 invited to meet with the Class Teacher for a 10 minute appointment. Online booking open 15 days before consultation
20/11/2025	Parents Evening - Online	3.45pm-7.00pm	
11/12/2025	Carol Service at St Andrew's Church, Church Road, Watford	10.00-10.45am (years 3&4) 11.15-12.00am (years 5 &6)	Ticketed event for all parents (first come first served basis due to space restrictions)
12/12/2025	Christmas Dinner	12.00-1.30pm	Open to all children whose parents order a meal
15/12/2025	Whole School Pantomime	TBA	Whole school walks to the Watford Palace Theatre. Parent volunteers required
18/12/2025	Singer of the Year - Final	TBA	Open to parents of children who take part in the final
19/12/2025	Last day of the Term School finishes at 12pm	12pm	Please note school finishing time

Art of the week



A journey stick

Conor, year 4 Juniper



The elegant cat

Gabi, year 5 Elm

Focus on Attendance

There continues to be an increased national and Hertfordshire focus on the importance of attendance. All our attendance figures are reported to the Department for Education every week, enabling them to assess how well each school is doing.

Congratulations to 4 Juniper for the highest attendance this week and to 3 Holly, 3 Oak, 4 Willow and 5 Elm for achieving an attendance percentage that is over our target.

Attendance and punctuality report Week beginning 15th September

<i>Class</i>	<i>Attendance percentage</i>	<i>Number of children late</i>
3 Holly	99%	4
3 Oak	99.33%	3
4 Juniper	99.66%	5
4 Willow	97.33%	4
5 Beech	96.67%	3
5 Elm	99%	3
6 Poplar	93.79%	7
6 Rowan	88%	1



Our overall attendance target is 97%!

Stars of the week

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Class	Nominee	Reason
3 Holly	Nyra	<i>For writing your own incredible version of Not lost. It was packed with fantastic description and I loved reading it!</i>
3 Oak	Emiliya	<i>For an interesting and well structured narrative. Your choice of characters and settings as well as your imaginative descriptions made for an entertaining read.</i>
4 Juniper	Isha	<i>For writing an exciting adventure story based on Arthur and the Golden Rope.</i>
4 Willow	Yuvraj	<i>For taking a great interest in our History lessons about Ancient Greece.</i>
5 Beech	Myra	<i>For having the confidence to teach the whole class an impressive Indian dance routine in our PE lesson. The teachers found it a bit tricky but the rest of the class looked fantastic following Myra's instruction. Well done!</i>
5 Elm	Gabi	<i>For approaching his English work with boundless enthusiasm and trying hard to catch up on work missed when absent, leading to the creation of a truly excellent piece. Well done!</i>
6 Poplar	Hamzah	<i>For writing an excellent description of a gargoyle coming to life, which struck fear in the reader as a result of its foreboding mood and sinister atmosphere. Well done, Hamzah!</i>
6 Rowan	Rayan	<i>For a beautifully written character description based on our English book 'Night of the Gargoyles'.</i>