

# The Lamp Post

*Shining a light on our learning journey.'*

As we work our way through the spring term, it's been wonderful to see the continued enthusiasm and determination from the children across the school. Classrooms have been busy hubs of learning, with children showing real pride in their work and supporting one another with kindness and maturity. Thank you, as always, for the ways you encourage reading, routines and positive attitudes at home—it makes a huge difference.

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who have sent such kind messages and congratulations following our recent letter from Bridget Phillipson. We've been genuinely touched by your support and pride in our school community. Moments like this remind us what a strong team we are—staff, pupils and families—working together to help every child thrive. Thank you, as always, for being such an important part of our journey.

Warm regards,

Ms Braithwaite and Mr McEleney

## Parent Governor Request

This is a reminder that we are seeking expressions of interest from parents who would like to join our School as a **Parent Governor**.

This is an exciting opportunity to be actively involved in the **strategic direction of the school**, contributing to key decisions that shape our vision, priorities, and long-term success. Parent Governors play an important role in representing the parent community and supporting strong governance and outcomes for all students.

If you are interested in learning more or would like to be considered for this role, please submit your **expression of interest to Ms Braithwaite by 4th February 2026**. We strongly encourage parents with an interest in leadership, strategy, and community engagement to apply.

## Enrichment

This week, nearly all of our children have enjoyed an enrichment experience beyond the classroom. We welcomed facilitators from The Guardian into school to lead engaging workshops, while some classes took part in sporting competitions and others deepened their learning with a visit to the church. These opportunities have all helped to broaden horizons and support children's personal growth and development. Please check our website for pictures.

## Term-Time Holidays Reminder

Please remember that holidays during term time are strongly discouraged. Headteachers can only authorise absence in exceptional circumstances, so most requests will not be approved. If you believe your situation is exceptional, please submit a leave of absence request form in advance with supporting information. Unauthorised holidays will be recorded as unauthorised absence and may be referred to the Local Authority in line with attendance procedures. Thank you for helping us support good attendance for all pupils.

## Car Boot Sale in the playground

We're excited to announce a Car Boot Sale in the playground on Saturday 22nd March, 11:00am–3:00pm! Now's the perfect time to have a clear-out — please start setting aside good-quality items you no longer use that could be just right for someone else.

Pitch prices:

Cars: £15 \ Tables: £10

Come along for a browse, grab a bargain, and help support our school community. We'd love to see you there!

## Class Assemblies

As always we encourage and welcome you to come along to your child's class assembly.

## Here are the dates for this term

Y3	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	10am start
Y2	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	10am start
Y4	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	10am start
Y1	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	10am start
Y6	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	10am start

## Weekly Attendance Report...

	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Attendance	93%	89%	92.9%	91.4%	96.1%	84.7%
Lates	1.3%	2.4%	1.8%	2.9%	7%	3%