

# Remembrance

We were so proud of Luke, this week, who performed in the Warwick Remembrance Parade at the weekend.

Luke is an amazing drummer who belongs to the Warwick Corps of Drums. He has amazed us with his skills in assembly before and we were thrilled to see him in this special event. Well done!



Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 19: Freedom from Violence and Armed Conflict



A little poppy was given to me,  
To help me and England be free,  
I'll wear a little poppy as red as  
can be,  
To show that I remember the ones  
who fought for me.

We need  
to stick  
together  
forever  
(Peace)



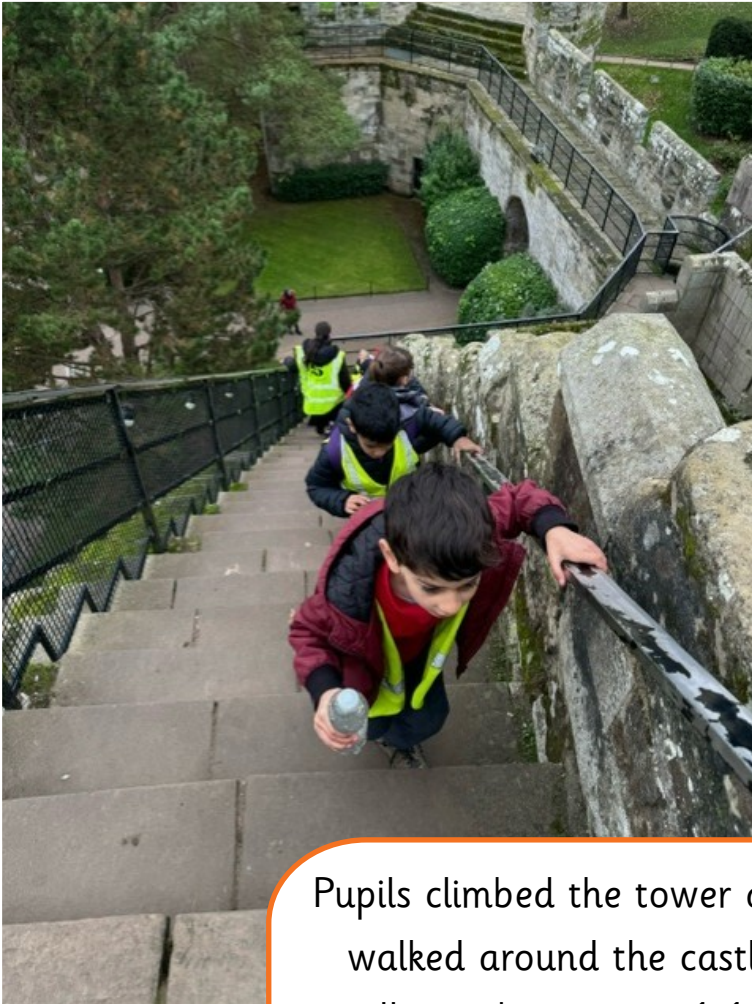
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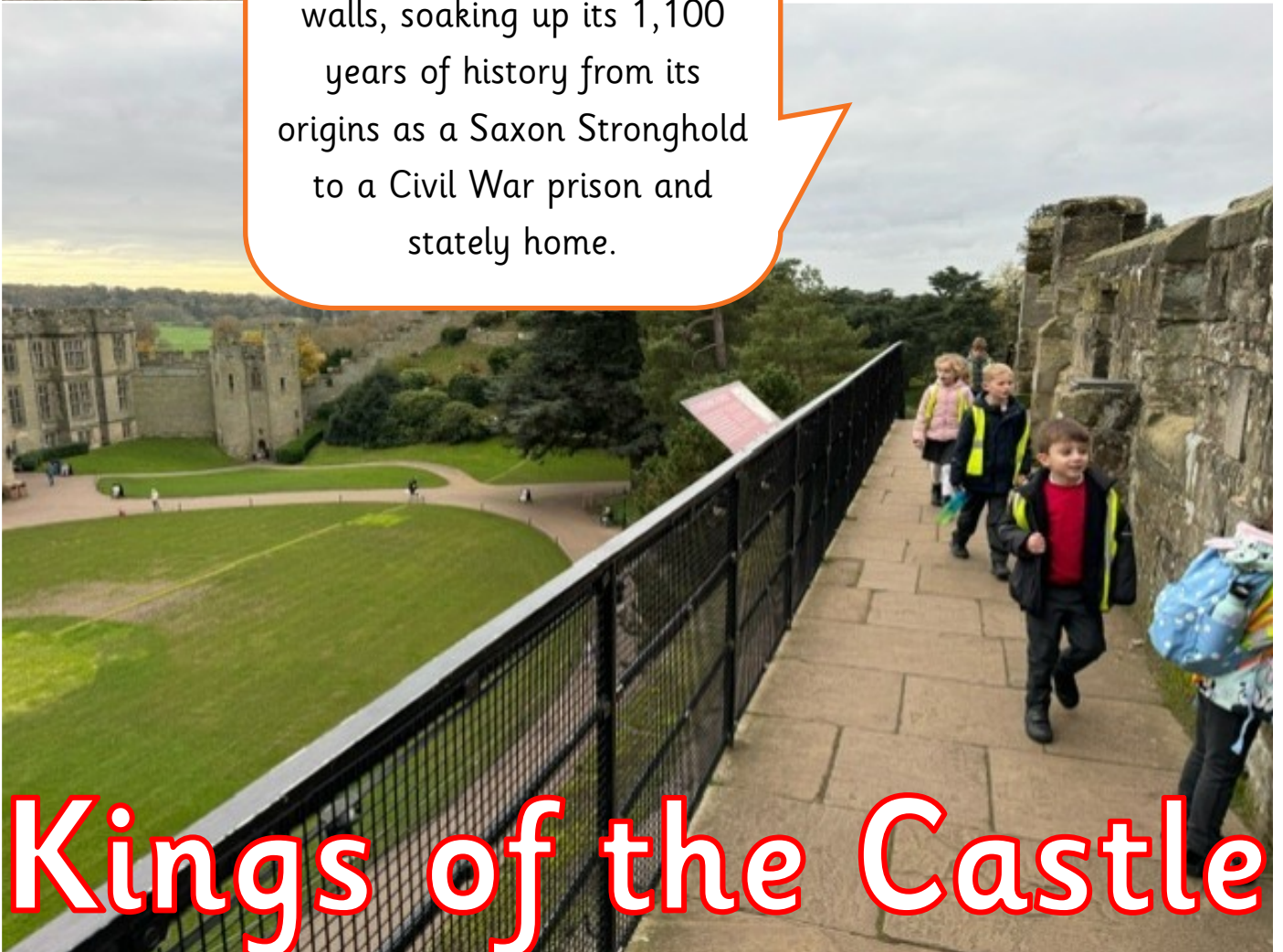


On Tuesday, Year Two visited Warwick Castle as part of their topic, "Magnificent Monarchs." The children toured the castle and grounds and experienced life as royalty lived it in the past.





Pupils climbed the tower and walked around the castle walls, soaking up its 1,100 years of history from its origins as a Saxon Stronghold to a Civil War prison and stately home.



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A highlight of the day was the Falconer's Quest live show, featuring different birds of prey. The children also enjoyed a guided tour of the Great Hall and the stocks, traditionally used a form of punishment for those who disobeyed the law! The trip was a fantastic way to start a new topic.



# RE Learning



**Convention on the Rights of the Child**

**Article 31: Freedom of Thought, Belief and Religion.**

On Monday, Gurtaran's parents kindly visited Year Five to talk about their Sikh faith. The children engaged in an interesting discussion about Sikh beliefs, what the Khalsa can wear and what Sikh people may do during special festivals and celebrations. This helped pupils in their RE Enquiry Question;

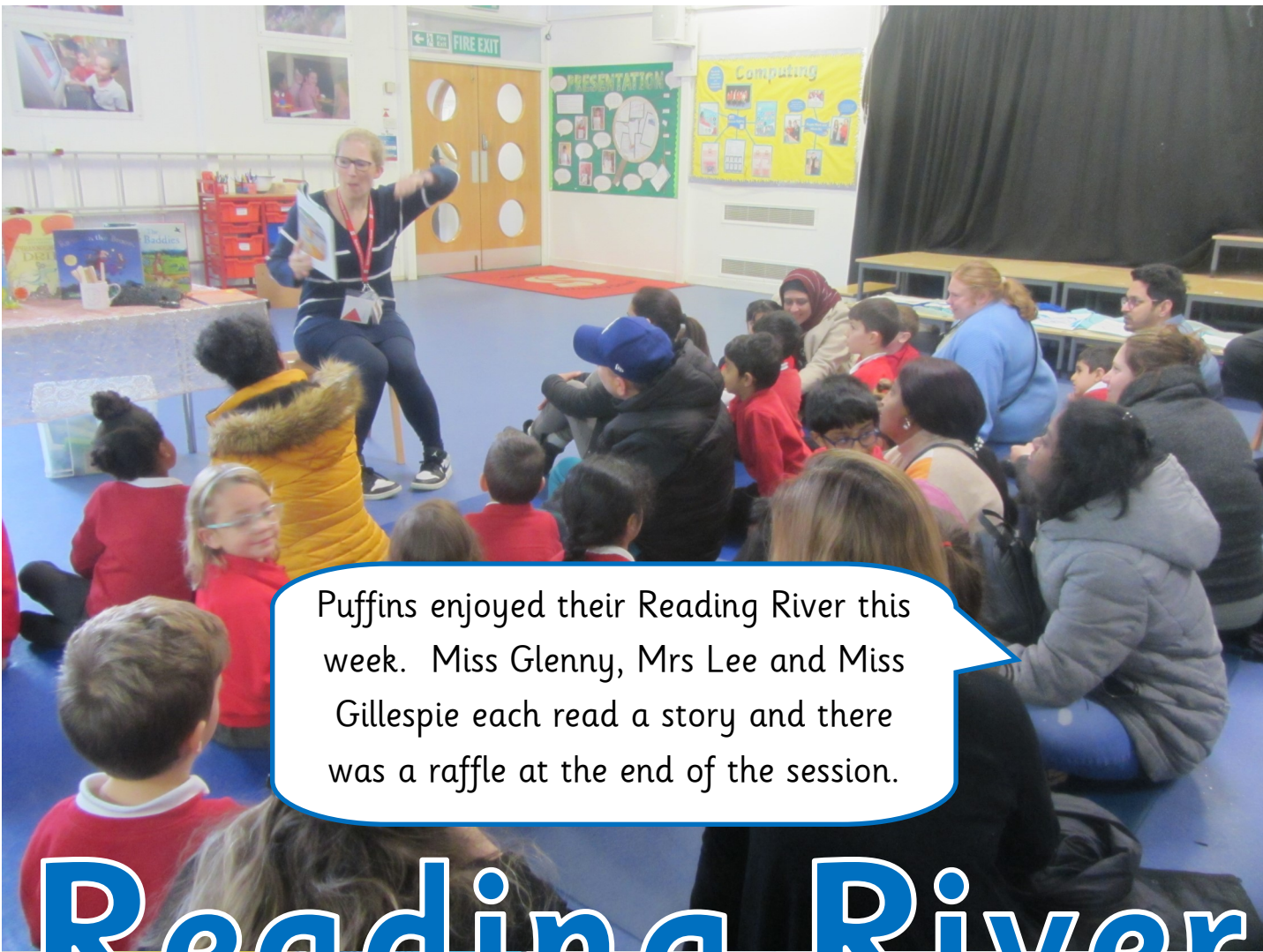
"How is the Sikhi worldwide view demonstrated in our local community?"



Year Five really enjoyed the visit and were fascinated by the different Sikh artefacts on display. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Atwal for taking the time to come to school.




Y2 Wrens presented a lovely anti-bullying assembly on Wednesday. Pupils talked about the importance of protected characteristics and why we should embrace difference. It was a wonderful celebration of friendship.



Puffins enjoyed their Reading River this week. Miss Glenny, Mrs Lee and Miss Gillespie each read a story and there was a raffle at the end of the session.

# Reading River



Daud was the lucky raffle winner in Puffins and Freya picked up the prize in Kingfishers.

# We love books!



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Article 31: Arts, Leisure and Culture.

We were treated to a piano performance in Celebration Assembly today. Rosanna played a duet with Mrs Murphy.

# Piano Performance

Scarlet then performed a solo piece. Well done to both girls for their lovely playing.



# Mobile Phone Workshop

Y6 Swans participated in a workshop today exploring mobile phone use. Pupils learnt that a mobile phone can be useful but should be used in moderation. They also discussed the importance of activities like reading and decided that there's more to life than staring at a screen! The workshop was provided free of charge by the charity "Own Books."



**Convention on the Rights of the Child**  
**Article 3: Best Interests of the Child**

# Alien Landing

Y1 pupils were flabbergasted on Monday to find an alien spaceship in Forest School! They inspected the wreckage and looked for clues as to who might have been in the craft.



**Convention on the Rights of the Child**  
**Article 29: Goals of Education**

Keep your eyes peeled over the weekend for any alien beings and let us know if you see anything!



This week in forest school Year 1 and 2 were getting in the Christmas spirit! They used a hand drill to make a hole for a shiny pipe cleaner to run through, before drawing on their own Christmas decorations! These ornaments will not only look fantastic on a tree, but are also a lovely way to develop hand strength and fine motor skills. The children also worked to get her to use some knot tying skills to set up their own swing! Tying knots is a key life skill that these children are securing in forest school every week.

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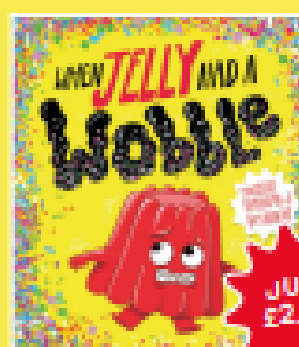
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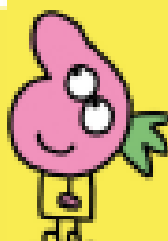
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work of  
staggering  
importance.



**Monday 25th—Thursday 28th November from  
3.30 – 3.45pm in the main hall. All children  
accompanied by an adult, please.**

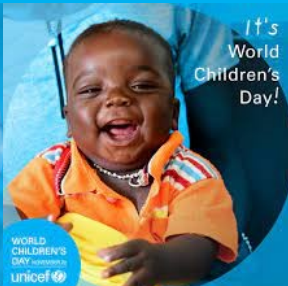
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# World Children's Day

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Listen to the future! Join us on **Wednesday 20th November** to stand up for children's rights.

World Children's Day is UNICEF's annual day of action for children, by children, marking the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child on 20th November 1989.

We will be celebrating this day in school with a range of activities that teach children about their rights and encourage them to raise their voice on issues that affect them.

We will also be fundraising for Unicef by encouraging all pupils to **come to school wearing something blue**. If you're able, please donate £1.00 to Unicef via ParentPay.

**WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD  
RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL**



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



# World Children's Day



To mark this special occasion, we will be buying every class a special Paddington Bear Unicef advent calendar to enjoy during December.

Only by fulfilling and protecting the rights of every child, — including children's social, economic, cultural, civil and political rights — can we ensure a better future for all . Please support us by joining in.



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**Convention on the Rights of the Child**

**Article 45: Advice and Assistance on Children's Rights.**

# **CHRISTMAS JUMPER COLLECTION**

**Do you have any outgrown or unwanted  
Seasonal or Christmas jumpers?**

**Drop them at the collection box in the school office!  
Children's & Adults sizes are welcomed.**



**We will hold a jumper sale before the holidays, all  
proceeds go to the PTA to help fund new resources  
for school.**

**Festive drinks & snacks will also be available,  
more details to come!**

**Grab a bargain & help reduce clothing waste !**

**Please donate clean, re-sellable items**





# KS2 Theatre Trip

Join Dick and his trusty cat on an exciting quest to see if the streets of London really are paved with gold. Can Dick find love, can his faithful feline rid London of King Rat and his hordes of little rats, and will his dream of becoming Mayor of London ever come true? There's only one way to find out!

**Years Three and Four will be visiting the Belgrade Theatre in Coventry on Wednesday 27th November to watch a morning performance of the pantomime, "Dick Whittington." Years Five and Six will watch an afternoon show on Thursday 28th November.**

**The cost of this trip is £21.08. Please log on to your ParentPay account to make your payment. There will be more details closer to the trip**

# Dick Whittington

# YR/1/2 Theatre Trip



Soar into space for your festive family treat with this exciting adaptation of the award-winning book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler – as seen in the popular 2022 BBC TV Christmas animation.

On a far-off planet, Smeds and Smoos can't be friends. So, when a young Smed and Smoo fall in love and zoom off into space together, how will their families get them back?

Music, laughs and interplanetary adventures for everyone aged 3 and up, from Tall Stories – the company that brought you The Gruffalo and Room on the Broom live on stage.

**Reception, Year One and Year Two will be visiting Warwick Arts Centre on Monday 9th December to watch a morning performance of "The Smeds and The Smoos." The cost of this trip is £17.42 Please log on to your ParentPay account to make your payment. There will be more details closer to the trip.**

# The Smeds and the Smoos

# Christmas Lunch

**Roast Turkey**

**Cocktail Sausage, Stuffing Ball with  
Gravy [G.SU]**

or

**[vg] Roast Quorn Fillet, Veggie Sausage,  
Stuffing Ball with Gravy [G]**

**Served with Crispy Roast Potatoes, Garden  
Peas, and Sliced Carrots**

**[vg.h] Christmas Cracknel [G.SU]**

or

**[vg.h] Christmas Shortbread[G]**

Christmas lunch will be on Tuesday  
10th December. The office will be  
contacting parents and carers soon to  
explain how you can sign your child  
up for the special lunch.

Allergen Key  
V - Vegetarian  
VG - Vegan  
D - Dairy  
G - Gluten  
SB - Soya  
SU - Sulphites  
H - Homemade



# Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



## Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



### Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

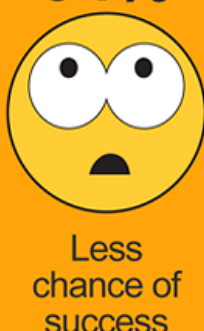
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DAYS  
100%



183  
DAYS  
96%



179  
DAYS  
94%



175  
DAYS  
92%



More than  
18 days  
absence less  
than 90%



## ABSENCE = LOST OPPORTUNITY



### Did You Know... ?

If Your Child's Attendance During the School Year...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

was 95%	9 Days from School	50 Lessons
was 90%	19 Days from School	100 Lessons
was 85%	29 Days from School	150 Lessons
was 80%	38 Days from School	200 Lessons
was 75%	48 Days from School	250 Lessons

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters

# Diary Dates

Tuesday 19th November	KS1 Family Learning session, 1.50—3.20pm
Wednesday 20th November	Y5 Woodpeckers assembly at 9.05am. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend.
Wednesday 20th November	Wear blue for Unicef World Children's Day.
Monday 25th November	YR trip to Compton Verney.
Monday 25th November	Nasal flu vaccinations.
Monday 25th November	Book Fair from 3.30—3.45pm in the main hall (ends on Thursday 28th November.)
Tuesday 26th November	YR and Y6 height and weight checks.
Tuesday 26th November	KS1 Family Learning session, 1.50—3.20pm
Wednesday 27th November	Y3 and Y4 visit the Belgrade Theatre to watch "Dick Whittington." pantomime, "Dick Whittington."
Thursday 28th November	Y5 and Y6 visit the Belgrade Theatre to watch Dick Whittington.
Thursday 28th November	Emotion Coaching workshop for Reception parents, 2.15—3.15pm.
Thursday 28th November	Christmas decorations go up in the hall.
Friday 29th November	Black Hole Planetarium comes to school for Y1.
Friday 29th November	MUFTI (non-uniform) Day. If your child wears their own choice of clothes, <b>please donate</b> at least 50p via ParentPay. All money raised will support the local charity, Parenting Project.

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Monday 2nd December	<b>School closed for INSET (In-Service training.)</b> Children back at school on Tuesday 3rd December.
Wednesday 4th December	Reception Nativity at 9.30am. Families are warmly invited to attend.
Monday 9th December	YR, Y1 and Y2 visit Warwick Arts' Centre to watch "The Smeds and The Smoos."
Tuesday 10th December	Christmas lunch.
Wednesday 11th December	KS1 Christmas concert at 9.30am.
Thursday 12th December	Y3/4 Christmas concert at 2.15pm.
Thursday 12th December	Y6 visit to St Mary's church.
Friday 13th December	Y5/6 Christmas concert at 2.15pm.
Monday 16th December	Rock Steady concert at 2.15pm.
Tuesday 17th December	Winter Craft session—sign up via Parent Pay.
Friday 20th December	Christmas MUFTI—come to school in a festive jumper or outfit. If your child wears their own choice of clothes, <b>please donate</b> at least 50p via ParentPay. All money raised will support the local charity, Parenting Project.
<b>Monday 23rd December—Friday 3rd January, school closed for the Christmas holiday.</b>	
<b>Monday January 6th 2025, School closed for INSET (In Service Training.)</b> <b>Children return to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025</b>	

# Diary Dates



# Sydenham Superstars



YR and Key Stage One

See you on Monday.  
Best wishes from Miss  
Glenny



Key Stage Two