



Head Teachers Comment

Thank you to all the parents who were able to join our Nursery children for their Teddy Bears' Picnic this week. It was lovely to see so many families sharing this special experience.

It has been a very busy and exciting week in Reception, where the children have been learning all about penguins and developing their understanding of subtraction.

I also had the pleasure of spending some lovely time in Year 1, listening to the children read and admiring the fantastic artwork they have been creating.

In Maple class, the children have been exploring alternative versions of traditional tales, showing great imagination and enthusiasm in their learning.



Term Dates

February
13th Feb Half Term Begins
13th Feb Break the Rules Day
23rd Feb Return to School

March
6th March Maple Class
Assembly
16th - 20th March Science
Week
20th March Y1 & Y2 Castle &
Cathedral
27th March Hill Holt Woods
Reception

April
2nd April End of Term

Value Term 3

RESILIENCE

- We have an open growth mind-set
- We build skills to help us in life
- We become more confident as we build resilience
- We embrace challenge

Student Spotlight



This week, we are incredibly proud to shine our Children's Spotlight on one of our wonderful pupils who has shown outstanding kindness and responsibility around school.



Every afternoon, they have been going out of their way to help our younger children put on their high-viz jackets, making sure everyone is safe, ready, and looking smart before heading outside. Their gentle, patient manner has made a real difference—especially to our smallest pupils, who look up to them with big smiles and lots of appreciation.

It has been truly lovely to see how grown-up, caring, and thoughtful they have become. Their actions show what it means to be a role model, and they remind us that small acts of kindness can brighten someone's whole day.

Well done! We are all so proud of you.
Keep shining! 🌟🌟

School News

🌿 Nursery Places Available – Enroll Now!

We're excited to announce that we currently have spaces available in our nursery! Our nurturing environment is designed to help your little ones learn, grow, and thrive.

- ✓ Safe and caring setting
- ✓ Experienced staff
- ✓ Engaging activities for early development

Don't miss out—places are limited!
📞 Contact us today to secure your child's spot.



Classroom Highlights



🌿 Willow Class Teddy Bears' Picnic 🌿

Willow Class had a wonderful time at their Teddy Bears' Picnic this week! The children arrived excitedly with their favourite teddy bears in tow, ready for an afternoon of fun.

Together they enjoyed sharing snacks, singing songs, and taking part in bear-themed games on the playground. The smiles were as bright as the sunshine, and it was lovely to see the children's imaginations come alive as their teddies joined in the adventure. A big well done to Willow Class for making it such a joyful and memorable day!



Phonics

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Read Write Inc. Phonics

"I love phonics, it helps me to read"

"I like new sounds. We do different words in phonics so we can read our books."

"I love phonics, it's fun because we get to learn new sounds to help us read"

"I love phonics because I get to write hard words and it helps me to read. Phonics is fun."

"I like learning new sounds they are special friends and I get to write them"

"I really like phonics because we get to learn new sounds. It is fun"

"I love phonics. I get excited to go and learn new sounds"

amazon.co.uk

We're always looking for ways to make learning even more exciting and engaging for our children. One simple way you can help is through our Amazon Wish List.

Our Wish List is an easy online tool where we've added resources that would really enhance our provision - from books and art supplies to sensory toys and outdoor learning materials. Each item has been carefully chosen to support creativity, curiosity, and well-being in our setting.

If you'd like to support us, just visit our Amazon Wish List, choose an item, and it will be sent directly to the school. Every contribution, big or small, makes a real difference to the experiences we can offer our pupils.

Together, we can make our learning environment even more inspiring - thank you for your continued support!

Amazon Wish List
https://www.amazon.co.uk/wishlist/a/08HE01RBY647/ref=nb_sb_nfly_yl

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Early Education and Childcare Choices

Don't miss out!

You may be eligible for support with childcare costs, including funded childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and Universal Credit.

Scan for more info

For families in receipt of additional government support, up to 10 hours per week funded childcare if your child is 2 years old and you receive certain additional support from the government.

You can find the latest eligibility rules

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Eligibility rules will be used to help you to claim for your nearest childcare provider.



At our school, safeguarding every child is paramount. Occasionally, staff may ask or confirm with a colleague the identity of the person collecting a child. This is simply because they may not regularly see that individual and are managing a busy classroom.

We kindly ask for your understanding when this happens. These checks are in place to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children. As parents and carers, we appreciate your support and cooperation in helping us maintain these high standards of care.

Start 2026 with Making Attendance Matter

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

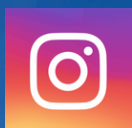
Many absences, even in Kindergarten, can cause children to fall behind in school.

Students who miss 10 days or more during a school year are less likely to graduate from high school.

Missing just a day or two each month can make it harder to learn to read.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school and themselves.

Being in school every day will enable children to do well in school and graduate from high school ready for work or college.





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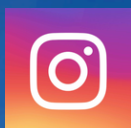


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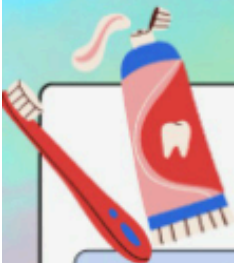
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SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH HEALTH AND HYGIENE INDEPENDENCE

Lead by Example
Children copy what they see.

- Wash your hands together
- Brush teeth side-by-side
- Talk out loud about healthy choices ("I'm washing my hands to get rid of germs")

Praise Effort, Not Perfection
Positive reinforcement works better than punishment.

- "Great job washing all your fingers!"
- Sticker charts for younger kids
- Verbal encouragement for older children

Make Hygiene Routine, Not Optional
Consistency builds habits.

- Fixed times for brushing teeth (morning & night)
- Bathing on a regular schedule
- Handwashing before meals and after the toilet

Visual schedules or charts work especially well for younger children.

Teach Step-by-Step Skills
Don't assume they know how.

- Demonstrate proper handwashing
- Show how to wipe correctly after using the toilet
- Teach nose-blowing, covering coughs, and sneezing into elbows

Repeat gently—mastery takes time.

Teach the "Why" in Simple Terms
Kids cooperate more when they understand.

- "Soap removes germs that make us sick"
- "Brushing keeps teeth strong and pain-free"
- "Clean hands help protect our family"

Turn It Into a Game
Fun reduces resistance.

- Sing a 20-second handwashing song
- Use timers or toothbrush apps
- Let them choose their toothbrush, soap, or towel colour

Support Healthy Eating & Hydration
Health goes beyond cleanliness.

- Offer balanced meals (fruits, vegetables, protein)
- Limit sugary snacks and drinks
- Encourage water throughout the day

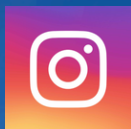

Involve kids in grocery shopping or meal prep to build interest.

Prioritize Sleep & Physical Activity
These are essential for immunity and growth.

- Set consistent bedtimes
- Limit screens before bed
- Encourage daily movement (outdoor play, sports, walking)

Be Patient and Age-Appropriate
Habits develop over years.

- Younger kids need reminders
- Older kids need independence with guidance
- Teens need trust, privacy, and honest conversations



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- A welcoming nurturing Infant & Nursery School
- All round supportive learning environment
- Dedicated, inspiring, understanding, safe & friendly staff
- Supporting & encouraging children to achieve and progress to their full potential
- Strong learning protective environment
- Excellent resources and facilities

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from age 3, the
term after their
third birthday,
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