

Headteachers Weekly Update 17.01.2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week as we navigate our way through January and the start of 2025. The children have been busily working hard this week and lots of examples of children across the school showing great resilience, particularly in Maths, not giving up when facing tricky challenges but rather overcoming hurdles through perseverance.

It has been great to welcome **new Teaching Assistants Miss Clifford and Mrs Normington this week**. It is wonderful to have them join our team and they have enjoyed getting to know the children across the school this week.

Learn from our Mistakes: In Collective Worship our resilience focus is on learning from our mistakes. God gives grace to the humble and we want to teach the children the powerful value of acknowledging their mistakes and being ready and willing to learn from them rather than trying to hide our mistakes or run away from the consequences. We will be seeing in Collective Worship how God is endlessly gracious in forgiving our mistakes and helping us grow rather than wither in the wake of our errors. One of the phrases we often use throughout the school day is "Learning involves mistakes".

2025: A great year for Reading: As we settle into the routines of 2025, I would love to encourage us all to make reading and enjoying books a very worthwhile and daily habit for the year. Let us read with our children, read to our children and also remember the power of simply modelling reading for pleasure to our children. Can we as parents turn those screens off and show our children the value and enjoyment that can be had by getting absorbed in a good book. Of all the goals we can set for this year, prioritising reading will be one of the most significant and beneficial.

Dates for your Diary: Here is the link for our Dates for your Diary. It is a live document so will update as new dates and events are added to the diary: https://docs.google.com/document/d/10-Qagv3rcTOhlIGpgLuw5Jpz_roi8-UQP-67qL45jBc/edit

Prayer: I'll finish with a prayer, which you are most welcome to join me in praying...

Dear God.

Thank you that when we make mistakes you don't give up on us and like a good shepherd you help us get back on track and heading in the right direction. Help us as parents and carers to teach our children how to admit when we get it wrong and to humbly learn from our mistakes.

Amen





Have a wonderful weekend and thank you again for all your support.

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