

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the Spring Term. We have had a great start to 2025 even though it has been very cold! Reception class have started learning about space, Year 1 are very enthusiastic about their new English text *The Odd Egg* and Year 2 have been learning about levers and sliders for their Moving Pictures Unit in design and technology.

Reception



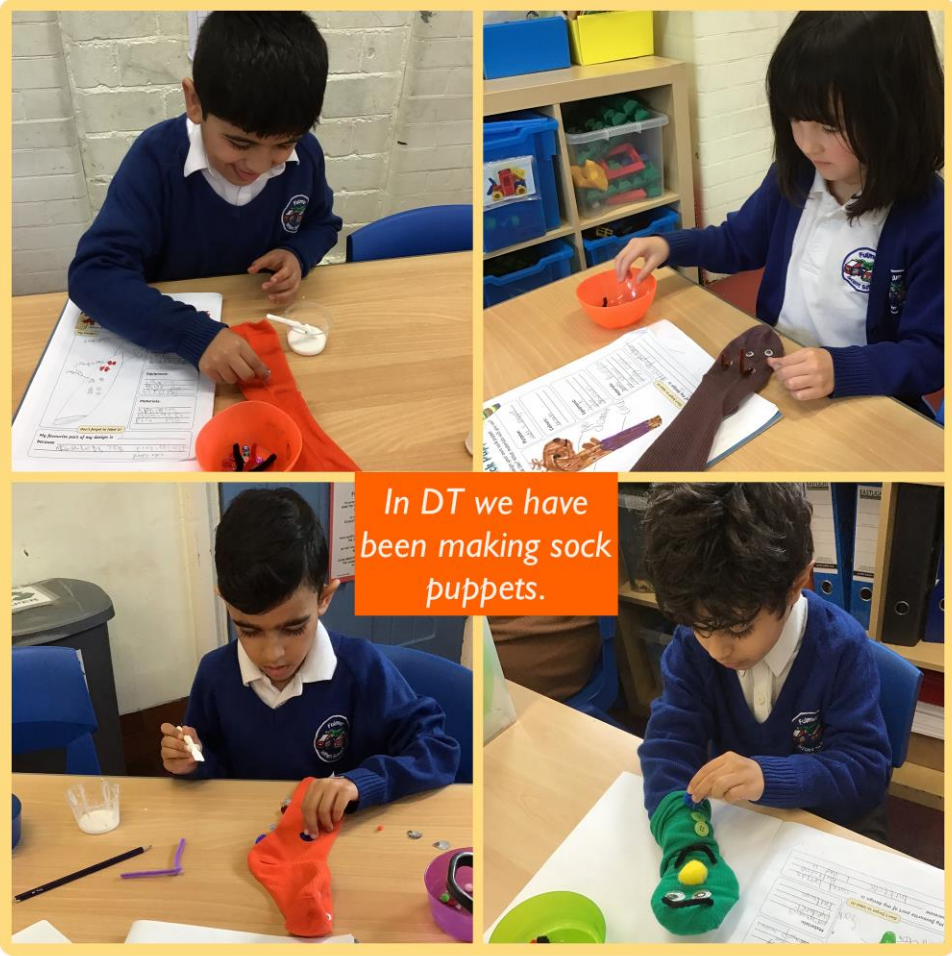
Reception class chose their favourite planet to draw and this is our classroom display!

We have been learning about Jupiter.



Jupiter is the biggest planet in our Solar System and it is a gas giant. It has a big red spot that is a storm which is as big as the earth and it has at least 80 moons!

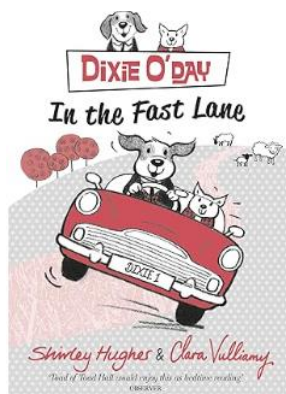
Year 1



Year 2



Our new text in English is Dixie O'Day In the Fast Lane. We looked at vocabulary from the book and sorted them into familiar and unfamiliar words. We then discussed the meaning of each word so that we can use them in our writing.



Coming into school

If you wish to come into school for any reason, please come into the school office and sign in with a member of staff.

If your child has mislaid or forgotten something in their classroom, please check with a member of staff before coming into the school building, this includes at the beginning and end of the school day.

Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

Friends of Fulmer Christmas Disco

We will begin with some news from last year. After the Christmas Disco, Friends of Fulmer had their Reunion Disco.

Here is a message from Liz Robinson:

We were delighted to welcome back 42 former pupils along with their siblings & parents to catch up and celebrate their time at Fulmer Infant school!

As a small infant school this is an impressive turn out and reflects the strong friendships made during their time here. It was wonderful to see the parent too.

A huge success – thank you

The FOF team.





FRIENDS OF FULMER FUNDRAISING FOCUS JAN 2025

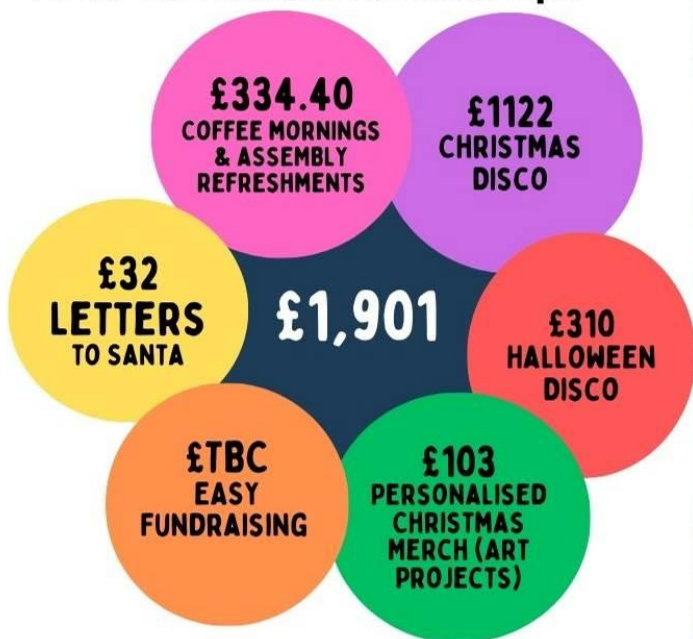
Happy New Year and welcome back! Our 2025 plan includes many exciting items, including the newly added 'Holi Festival art activity' and 'Holi Festival mufty day', suggested by Louise (Y1 mum). More details and a request for help will follow soon.

It is our ambition as a team to ensure our events represent our entire community. We are diverse and blessed to be so. If you have any ideas for events, whether related to your beliefs or otherwise, please do reach out via Friendsofulmer@gmail.com. We would love to hear them!

2025 DIARY DATES

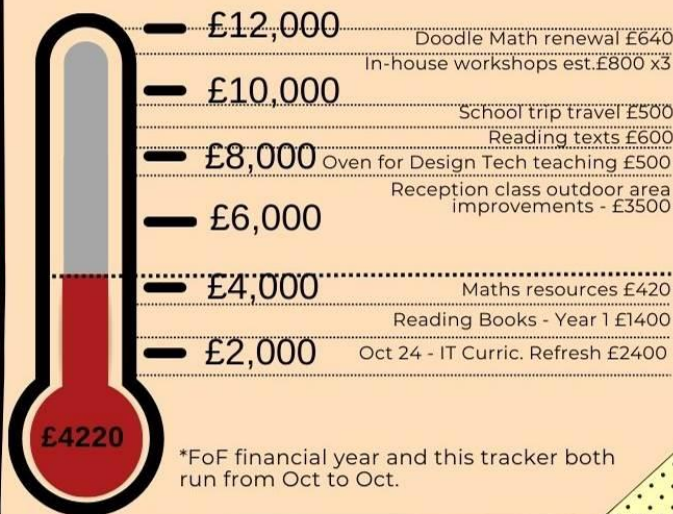
- **NEW:** Holi Festival art activity, Mon 10th March (during school time)
- **NEW:** Holi Festival mufty day - Fri 14th Mar.
- **CHANGED:** 21st Mar - Make the Rules Day + Doughnut Sale
- 11th May - 11am-1pm - Sponsored Superhero Walk
- 11th Jun - 1pm - Sports Day (refreshments)
- 27th Jun - Mufty Day (for Summer Fair Donations)
- 5th July - 3pm-5pm - FoF Summer Fair.

How the activities add up..



Since October FoF have paid for resources totalling **£4220!**

24/25 TARGET: **£12,000***



*FoF financial year and this tracker both run from Oct to Oct.

School Champions

At the end of every week staff review the effort and performance of children in each class and make two special awards: the 'Star of the Week' award and the 'Best Listener' award. Certificates are then presented in our Friday assembly and children congratulated. The award-winning champions this week are:

Friday 10th January 2025

Best Listeners:-

Year R – A S

Year 1 – S B

Year 2 – A A

Stars of the Week:-

Year R – T B

Year 1 – J M

Year 2 – Y A

Friday 17th January 2025

Best Listeners:-

Year R – R A

Year 1 – M M

Year 2 – R S

Stars of the Week:-

Year R – A C

Year 1 – D S

Year 2 – Y M

Achievements Outside of School

We love to hear about the children's achievements outside of school and to celebrate these in our Friday Celebration Assembly. If your child receives a certificate or award for something they do outside of school, please do send it into school and we will celebrate it during our Friday Celebration Assembly.

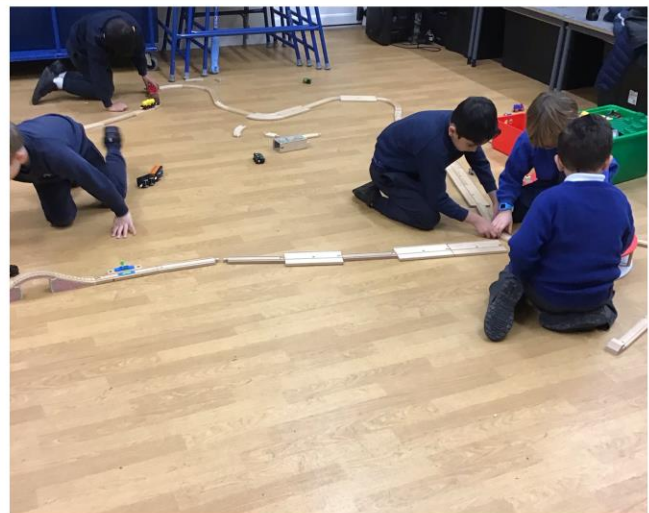
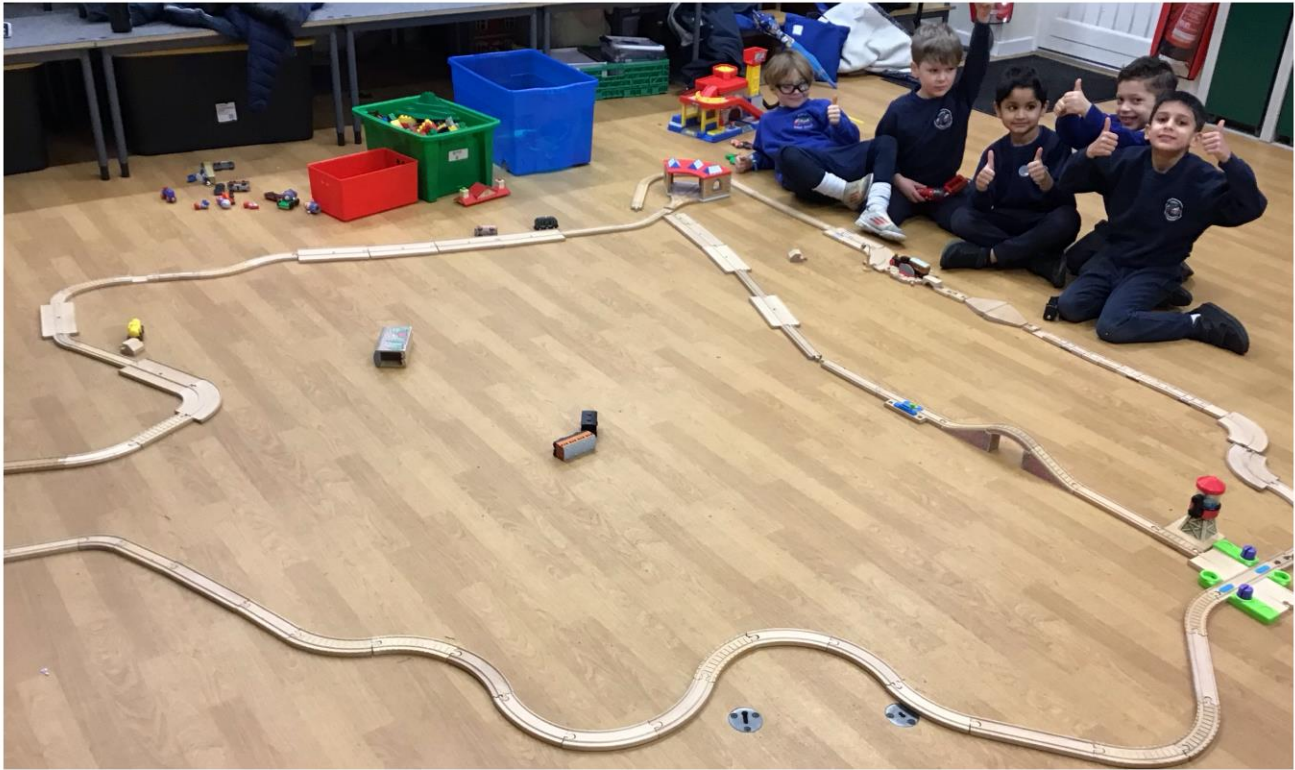
Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open every day from 7:45am. There is no need to book, you can just turn up on the day. Each session costs £7.00 and payment by card is preferred.

When dropping your child off at breakfast club, please remember to walk them to the hall and wait with them until they are marked in by an adult.

The breakfast club menu is below:

- Cereals
- Fruit
- Toast
- Eggs
- Beans
- Pancakes
- Milk
- Water
- Hot chocolate



As well as having a healthy breakfast the children have great fun at breakfast club! This picture shows the train track created this week. There are also craft activities available too.

Attendance at School

We all know how important it is for children to attend school regularly. To help with this, please avoid booking any holidays in term time because we need children learning in school every day. We have a school target of 96% and ask you to help us achieve it. 90% attendance may sound quite good, but it actually means your child is missing the equivalent of:

- **One half day each week**
- **Nearly four weeks every school year**
- **Over one year in a school career**

Best classes for attendance are:

Week ending 10.01.2025: Year 2 at 100%
 Week ending 17.01.2025: Year 2 T 99%%
 Well done Year 2! Great attendance!

If your child is absent from school, please advise the school office by telephone or email by 9:30am on each day they are absent. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Lateness

A reminder that school starts at **8:55am**. The children come into school and begin their phonics lessons as soon as the register is taken. If your child arrives late to school, not only is this not the best start to the day but they are also missing the beginning of the first lesson.

Please speak to Mrs Matton if you are experiencing any specific issues with arriving at school on time.

Parking

As always thank you to everyone who is parking considerately at the beginning and end of the school day. We are still able to use the spaces in the front car park of the Black Horse **except for the first 5** and parents are requested to be patient while deliveries are received on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Black Horse have also said that if a tenant is in early and opens the gates to the car park, they are happy for parents to use it.

When parking please refrain from parking on the yellow zig zag lines in front of the school. This keeps the school gate clear and is important for the safety of our children and families when arriving and leaving school. Please also continue to respect our neighbours by ensuring driveways are left clear and roads are not blocked.

Thank you for your support in helping to make the journey to school safe for everyone.

Diary Dates



Date	Event
Monday 3rd February	Little Big City Event in school
Friday 7th February	Number Day (see emails)
Monday 10th February	Parent Consultations 3.10pm to 5.30pm (details to follow)
Wednesday 12th February	Parent Consultations 4pm to 6.30pm (details to follow)
Friday 14th February	School closes for half term at 3pm
Monday 24th February	School open
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day (details to follow)
Tuesday 11th March	Science Workshops in school
Monday 17th March	Year 1 Trip to Windsor Castle (details to follow)
Friday 21st March	F.O.F. Make the Rules Day (details to follow)
Thursday 27th March	Year 1 Assembly (details to follow)
Friday 28th March	Wonderful Women Assembly (details to follow)
Thursday 3rd April	Easter Hat Parade (details to follow)
Friday 4th April	School closes for Easter Holiday at 1pm

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Mrs Julie Matton
Headteacher

