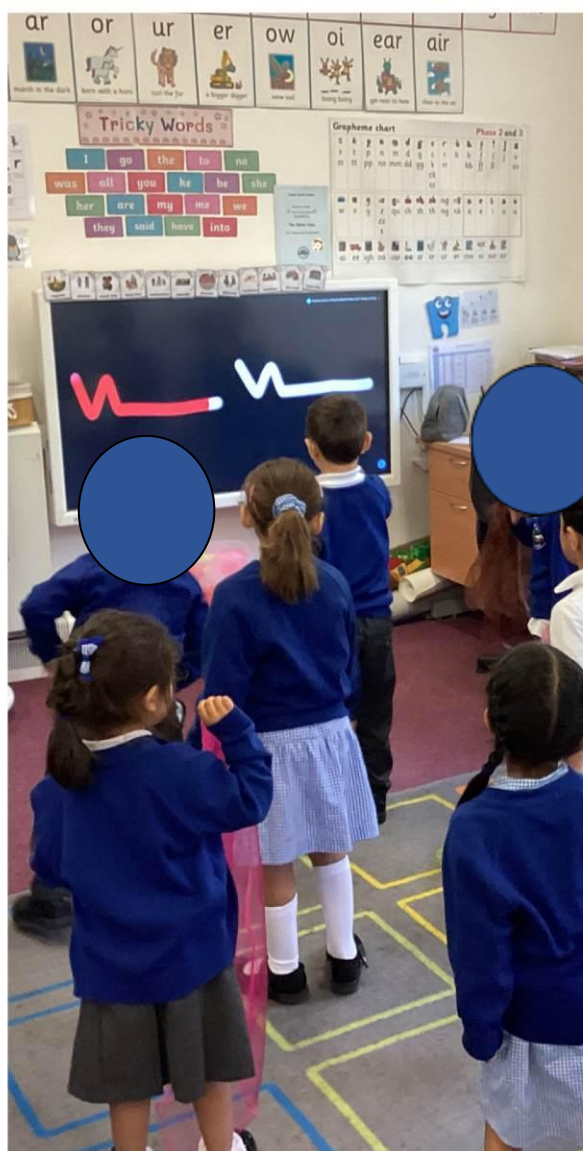




Dear Parents and Carers

It has been wonderful to see how quickly the children have settled into the new school year. The past few weeks have flown by and it has been a pleasure to see the children settling so confidently into their new classes. We have already enjoyed a busy few weeks, with lots of exciting learning and activities taking place across the school. The photographs below show just some of the wonderful experiences the children have enjoyed so far.

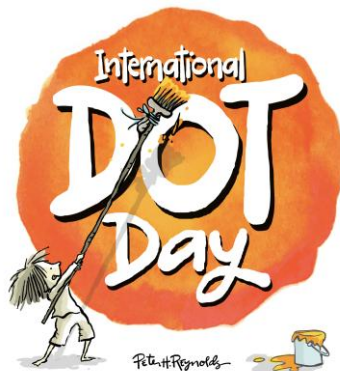
Reception



In Reception, the children have been developing their gross motor skills in preparation for writing. They have enjoyed participating in scarf dance activities and mark-making lines and pre-writing shapes with chalk on the playground.



On Tuesday, 15th September, we participated in International Dot Day. We enjoyed an assembly where we shared the story *The Dot* by Peter Reynolds. The story's message is that everyone can be an artist by simply making their own mark. Every child then created their own piece of art in class.



Year 1



In Art, Year 1 have been looking at the artist Piet Mondrian. They explored the primary colours and used these to make their own Mondrian style painting. What budding artists with wonderful creative flares we have!

Year 2



Year 2 have based their English work on the book *The Journey Home* by Frann Preston-Gannon.



Celebrating our Achievements

At the end of every week school staff choose two children to be the Stars of the Week in their classes. These awards can be made for some special work, for demonstrating good learning behaviours or for demonstrating our school values. Certificates are presented in our Friday Celebration Assembly and the children are congratulated. The Stars of the Week this week are:

Friday 18th September 2026

Stars of the Week:-

Year R – Halle

Year R – Naina

Year 1 – Amor

Year 1 – Sienna

Year 2 – Siyana

Year 2 – Xavi

Friday 25th September 2026

Stars of the Week:-

Year R – Ganeve

Year R – Kimmi

Year 1 – Antonio

Year 1 – Victor

Year 2 – Josh

Year 2 – Leon

Achievements Outside of School

We love to hear about the children's achievements outside of school and to celebrate these in our 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.





FRIENDS OF FULMER FUNDRAISING FOCUS

25TH SEPTEMBER 2026

2026 DIARY DATES

- Wednesday 30th September - Read a Story Day.
- Friday 2nd October - Harvest Festival, FoF will be serving refreshments.
- Friday 23rd October - Autumn Crafts, more details to follow.



Read a Story Day



Wednesday 30th September



£2.50



Children are to wear
pyjamas for a fun filled day
full of stories and
imagination.

What are we fundraising for?

- * Little City Workshop
- * African Drumming Workshop
- * Book Author Visit
- * Doodle Maths
- * Forest School
- * Classroom items
- * Climbing Frame repairs
- * Books for Year 2
- * PE equipment

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 you can pay by cash or card. Breakfast is served until 8:30am for children attending this session.

Early Drop Off

Early drop off arrangements are:

8:15am drop off, no breakfast provided. Cost £3.00

8:30am drop off, no breakfast provided. Cost £2.00

Please note that if your child requires breakfast the full session cost of £7.00 will be payable.

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

The breakfast club menu includes:

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



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 18.09.26: Year 1 at 100%

Week ending 25.09.26: Reception at 99%

Well, done Year 1 and Reception!

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.

The importance of arriving at school on time

School starts at 8:55am. The children come into school and begin their phonics lessons as soon as the register is taken. This means the first lesson of the day starts at 9:00am. If your child arrives late to school, they are missing the beginning of the first lesson of the day.

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



Parking and Respecting our Neighbours

Please remember to please park considerately when dropping off and collecting children from school. Driveways and access roads must remain clear at all times, **including both gates to Fulmer Cottage.**

Inconsiderate parking, including obstructing roads or private driveways, reflects poorly on the school community and can have a negative impact on the positive relationships we work hard to maintain with our local residents.

We are grateful to the Black Horse Pub for continuing to permit parents to use spaces in the front car park, **excluding the first 10 bays**, for morning drop-off only. Please note that parking is not available there at the end of the school day.

Please also be aware that parking across driveways or causing an obstruction on the road may constitute a breach of the Highway Code. Parking enforcement officers do visit local roads and infringements may result in a Penalty Charge Notice being issued.

Thank you for parking considerately. Your support in making the journey to and from school safe for everyone is greatly appreciated!



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Wednesday 30 th September	FOF Read a Story Day (see above)
Friday 2 nd October	9.15am Harvest Festival (see emails)
Monday 19 th October	3.10pm-5.30pm Parent Consultations (details to follow)
Wednesday 21 st October	4pm-6pm Parent Consultations (details to follow)
Friday 23 rd October	School closes at 3pm for half term holiday
Monday 2 nd November	School open
Wednesday 4 th November	Flu nasal vaccine team visit (details to follow)
Wednesday 11 th November	Year 2 Roman Workshop (details to follow)
Wednesday 18 th November	Tempest Individual Photograph (details to follow)

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Julie Matton
Headteacher

