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Friday 18th September 2026

Roald Dahl Day

Last Friday, we celebrated **Roald Dahl Day** as our September **Year of Reading** event! Each class explored a different Roald Dahl story and took part in a range of exciting activities inspired by their chosen book. From creative writing and storytelling to arts, crafts and collaborative projects, the children fully immersed themselves in the wonderful worlds of Roald Dahl.

It was fantastic to see such enthusiasm, engagement and creativity throughout the day. The children thoroughly enjoyed the activities and demonstrated a real love of reading and learning.

A wonderful day was had by all as we celebrated some of the most beloved children's books and authors of all time! 📖 🎨 ✏️

NURSERY

Nursery explored the story of the Enormous Crocodile. The children listened to the story and played matching games with the characters from the book. The children loved playing these turn taking games. Then the children looked at real crocodile photographs and did some printing to make some artwork.





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RECEPTION

Reception explored the story of the Enormous Crocodile. The children thoroughly enjoyed cutting and role playing as the Enormous Crocodile – the children emersed themselves in the role and showed brilliant acting skills. We listened to the story and engaged in lots of activities related to the crocodile – including creating our own concertina crocodiles and a letter for him! Well done Reception.



YEAR 1



Year 1 had a fantastic time exploring *James and the Giant Peach*. The children thoroughly enjoyed watching video clips from the story and using these to make predictions about what might happen next, developing their comprehension and speaking skills. Inspired by the story, the children created their own giant peaches, using a range of craft materials and lots of



imagination. They also made colourful minibeast crafts, learning about some of the fascinating creatures James meets on his adventure. The learning continued across the curriculum, with exciting maths activities linked to the story. The children were highly engaged throughout the day and showed great enthusiasm, creativity and curiosity in all of their tasks.





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YEAR 2

To celebrate Roald Dahl Day, Year 2 explored *The Twits*. We read a couple of chapters from the book and discussed the characters and their mischievous behaviour. The children then used their imagination to design and create their own Twits-inspired characters, thinking about their appearance and personality. They enjoyed sharing their ideas and showing their creative designs with the class.



YEAR 3

Year 3 had a fantastic Roald Dahl Day focusing on *George's Marvellous Medicine*. They enjoyed reading the story, creating character descriptions of Grandma, creating their own marvellous medicine recipes and designing their own medicine bottles. We had some brilliant creativity! They even completed some marvellous maths to discover George's secret ingredient!





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YEAR 4

Year 4 had a brilliant day exploring Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We began the day by reading an extract, taking our time to focus on fluency. Whilst doing this, we took part in a drama activity of finding the golden ticket! In writing, we created a character description of either Charlie or his grandfather. Finally, we took the time to follow a drawing tutorial to create a character drawing of Willy Wonka!



YEAR 5



Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their time celebrating Roald Dahl day, focusing on the classic story of the BFG. The children explored nonsense language and the vernacular used by the giants in the story, creating their own books incorporating this. They also designed their very own dream jars, painting these and including their own personal hopes, dreams and aspirations.



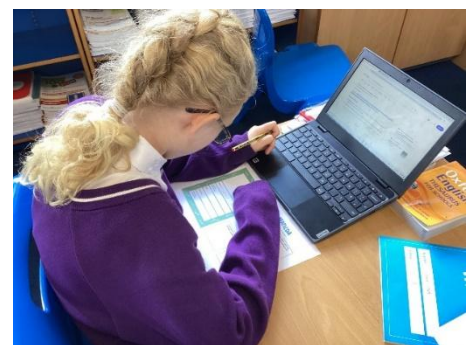
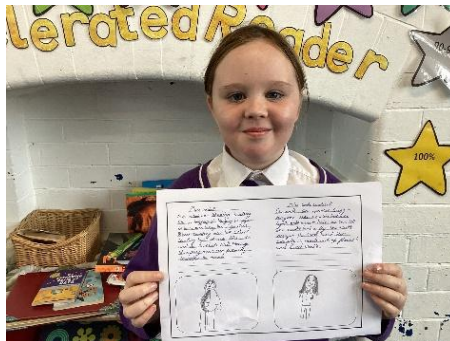
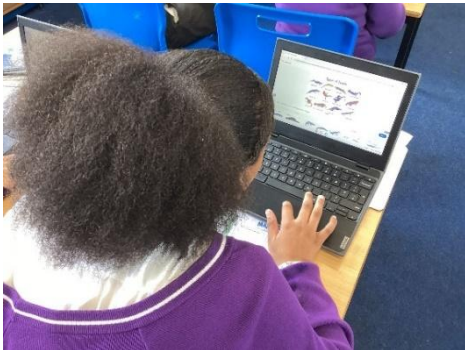


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YEAR 6

Year 6 had a wonderful time celebrating Roald Dahl Day with a focus on *Matilda*. The day began with children exploring the vivid descriptions of Miss Trunchbull and Miss Honey. Using drama, they brought these famous characters to life, acting out their personalities and helping to deepen their understanding of the text. The children then used their creativity to invent their own versions of the two teachers, giving them new names and writing character descriptions with the use of similes.

Later in the day, the children discussed the famous newt scene from *Matilda*. Inspired by this part of the story, they researched interesting facts about newts and used their findings to create informative fact files. It was a fun and engaging day that combined reading, drama, creative writing and research skills.





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Class Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.2%	94.7%	95%	94%	97%	94%	94%	99.6%

Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Playtime Awards were presented today to **Y1** and **Y6**

The following children have all impressed their class teacher:

Nursery: Harvey G

Reception: Nancy S

Year 1: Christopher L

Year 2: Tommy D

Year 3: Alfie B

Year 4: Susan W

Year 5: Harry H

Year 6: Myla W



Perfect Presentation:

Reception: Charlie R

Year 1: Isla F

Year 2: Molly F

Year 3: Everly S

Year 4: Joseph P

Year 5: Olivia W

Year 6: Caleb B





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Breakfast Club

We offer the Government's Free Breakfast Club programme. All children from Reception to Year 6 are welcome to join us for a healthy breakfast free of charge before the school day begins. The start time is 8.15am.

In addition, we offer the option of an Early Drop Off Breakfast Club at a charge of £1.50 per day. This service can be accessed from 7.50am.

School Dinners

The menu for week beginning 21st September is Week 1. School dinners are £15.40 per week, paid online by Monday please.

Free School Meals

We encourage all parents/carers that have not already done so to complete the free school meals checker below. The guidelines have changed and more children are now entitled to free school meals.

[Free School Meals Eligibility Checker](#)

After School Clubs

Please see below our after-school clubs for this half term

<u>Day</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Pick up Time</u>	<u>Year Group</u>
Monday	Games Club (Sports PE)	4:15pm	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6
Tuesday	Design and Make Club	4:15pm	Y1 Y2
Thursday	Sing, Sign and Play (Music)	4:15pm	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6
Thursday	Lego Club	4:15pm	Y1 Y2 Y3



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Dates for your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Wednesday 23 rd September - Friday 25 th September	Year 6 Ford Castle Residential Trip
Thursday 1 st October	Themed Lunch and FREE DESSERT FOR ALL CHILDREN
Monday 5 th October	Year 5 & Year 6 Life Centre Trip
Tuesday 6 th October	School Photo Day
Thursday 8 th October	Year 1 Fundamental Festival Trip
Wednesday 14 th October	Reception Stay and Play
Monday 19 th October	Year 4 Bee Netball Trip
Friday 23 rd October	Break up for Half Term
Monday 9 th November	Return To School
Wednesday 11 th November	Face to Face Parent Consultations
Thursday 12 th November	Telephone Parent Consultations
Friday 13 th November	Reception – Year 6 Flu Vaccinations
Friday 13 th November	Year 2 Athletics Festival
Friday 11 th December	Travelling Panto In School (Jack & The Beanstalk)
Tuesday 15 th December (AM)	Early Years Nativity
Tuesday 15 th December (PM)	Key Stage 1 Nativity
Wednesday 16 th December (AM)	Early Years Stay and Play



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Break Up For Christmas

