



# THE FRIDAY LETTER



## This Week at The Wyche

This week Hedgehogs learned about weather patterns in the UK, Foxes were learning about the lives of Muslims and in particular Ramadan (which is very near now). Otters learned a valuable PE lesson about dares and how to resist peer pressure, Stoats began revisiting clay work ahead of making their Shang Dynasty bronzes by the end of term and Badgers were mirroring in PE, paying close attention to the movements and body language of their partner.



## Collective Worship

This week we considered respect and inclusion of those amongst us who are neurodiverse, living full lives with conditions like Autism and ADHD. It was an inclusive, caring and educational act of worship which helped everyone to look past the difference in others and find common ground.

## Support for Parents - Legal Support

Whether it is recovering as a victim of crime or supporting a family member in prison, anyone at any time may need legal advice. Our 'Support for Parents' page offers a great deal of advice and signposting which may help. Always come and chat with you if you need advice or a listening ear.



## Online Safety - New Guidance on Smartphones

The government has issued strong recommendations that schools should become phone-free environments. The Wyche has always been a phone-free school. Pupils whose parents feel their children need phones for their school journey leave them safely with an adult on entry and we do not permit any kind of internet-enabled device, nor anything with recording facilities to be brought in, for the purpose of safeguarding your pupils. We continue to provide robust online safety and digital literacy education and encourage parents to put safeguards in place, and are always here to listen and advise.

It's been a great week and the school is full of the joys of late winter. Have a great weekend and we will see you next week, always in partnership,  
**Mr Murphy**

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## In School this week.



Stoat Class enjoyed making circuits and produced some beautiful colour wheels which they attached to motors. The results were fantastic!



TONIGHT  
 STRIVE AND BUZZ  
 ALWAYS SUNNY IN THEIR HEARTS

We can all play a part in **safeguarding** children. If you are ever worried about the safety of a child, please discuss this with **Mr Murphy, Mrs Baylis or Mrs Charles**. You can refer or get advice yourself from Children's Services on 01905 822666.

If you think a child or adult is in immediate danger, please call the police on 999.

“They will soar on wings like eagles.” Isaiah 40:31

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# Together We Soar

## Attendance Very Much Matters

Huge thank you and congratulations to Fox Class who have achieved a fabulous 100% attendance this week. We are aware there is a lot of illness around at the moment and appreciate all your efforts getting all the children in to school.

100%



## Stars of the Week

It is always a delight to award a “Star of the Week” award to a child who has demonstrated the **STRIVE** values in classwork. This week’s award-winning superstars are:

**HEDGEHOGS**

MARTHA LITTLE  
LUCY PHILLIPS

**FOXES**

LOUIS SHEPPARD  
FREDDIE CRONIN

**OTTERS**

MILLIE FOWLER  
ESTHER DOWNES

**STOATS**

PENNY LEDINGTON  
HARRY EVANS

**BADGERS**

SULLIVAN BAKER  
SAMUEL PRINCE

## Whole School Parents Evening

The booking system for our upcoming parents evenings is now open. This term Otter class parents are invited to come in Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> the other classes are invited Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February. As always, booking is on a first come first served basis, please only book one appointment per child. If you have any issues or want to change an appointment then cancellations need to be made via email to the school office. Please copy and paste the following link into your internet browser.

<https://www.wyche.worcs.sch.uk/parents-evening-bookings>

## RSPB Big Schools Bird Watch 2026

This year the school are taking part in the RSPB Big Schools Bird Watch. On the 2nd February the whole school will be spending time outside recognising different species of birds and recording their findings. The numbers will be collated and then sent off to the RSPB where they will put together all information from schools across the country and produce a snapshot of the species and varieties of birds across the UK. You too can take part by signing up on the RSPB website and recording the birds you can see in your garden.



## Lost Property

As a school we collect a huge amount of lost property. Can we please encourage parents to label everything - if it has a name then it can be returned! We are going to relocate our lost property boxes to the foyer outside the office however be advised that they will be emptied at the end of each half term and the contents either recycled or disposed of.

## New School Computer System

Over the next few weeks the school are moving over to a new computer system - Arbour. This is an updated system and will allow the school to streamline and improve parent services. We will keep you updated with 'where' we are but please be aware that admin tasks may take a little longer over the coming weeks as we all adapt and familiarise ourselves with the new software.

## World Book Day

We are looking forward to World Book Day which is coming on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026. This year's theme is 'Awesome Adjectives', the words which help to bring characters alive! The children are invited to dress up as any adjective they choose, which can be as simple or as complicated as they like. For example : blue, dark, sparkly, shiny, awesome, sleepy, incredible, adventurous.....the list is literally endless. If your child is desperate to wear a character costume, this is no problem, as all characters can be described using adjectives, for example Harry Potter could be 'magical' or 'brave'. All we ask is that they make a label showing the word. Get ready for a parade of costumes and words on the playground in the morning!



By living and learning together through our Christian values of **Safety, Trust, Respect, Inspiration, Value, & Engagement**, with God's help, we will support each other to “soar”, lifting hearts and broadening horizons, so that by giving our best today, the world may be better tomorrow.

# WHAT'S ON ?

**Mon 2nd February:** Peripatetic Guitar Lessons

Year 1/2 Multiskills Festival at The Chase (during school time)

Whole School - Big Bird Watch 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Netball Club - afterschool until 4.15pm

**Tues 3rd February:** Choir Club - afterschool until 4.15pm

**Weds 4th February:** FAME for Otter Class

Peripatetic Piano Lessons

Peripatetic Violin Lesson

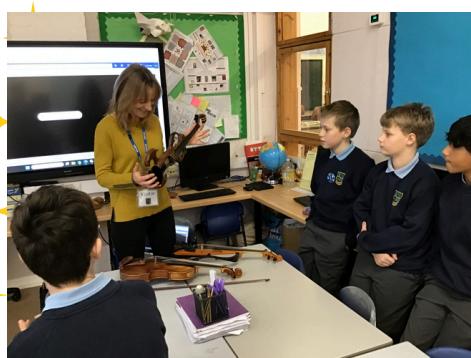
Books and Biscuits - Hedgehog Class Parents 3pm

**Thurs 5th February:** Peripatetic Drum Lesson

**Friday 6th February:** 4th Swim Stot Class

## Dates for your Diary

- Tues 10th (Otter Class) Weds 11<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Feb - Whole School parents Evening (details to follow)
- Weds 11<sup>th</sup> Feb - Otter Classs Parent FAME Showcase 9.30am
- Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Feb - Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Feb - Half Term
- Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day (details above)



### Music at The Wyche

On Monday the school were treated to a visit from Miss Webster who brought with her a number of different violins.

Miss Webster spent some time with Badger class talking through the instruments and how they worked and then treated the whole school by playing both her electric and classical violins in assembly. The children thoroughly enjoyed the presentation, thank you Miss Webster!

