



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

13th February 2026

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A message from Mrs Farren...

Dates for your diary!

Parent information sessions:

We will be holding parent/teacher information sessions next term. The dates are 17th and 24th March. The school admin team will be sending out information detailing how you can book a slot with your child's teacher, after the half term break.

Easy Fundraising:

Norton's PTA have set up 'Easy Fundraising' for the school. Easy Fundraising is a UK-based platform connecting over 8,500 brands with consumers to raise funds for charities (in this case, Norton Primary School's PTA) through online shopping.

Participating retailers include major brands like Tesco, Argos, eBay, and John Lewis, offering donations ranging from flat fees to percentage-based returns. If you shop online with these retailers, please use the app (QR code below, or more info on page 18) to help raise valuable funds for our school. It very easy to do! Thank you.



Have a wonderful half term and please let us know about all the fun things you've been up to!

Mrs Farren and Team Norton

Class News – 6th February 2026

This week in **Little Learners** we have been very engaged in exploring different cultures. This week we learnt all about Lunar New Year. The children have enjoyed making Dragons, lucky coin envelopes, and exploring all the different animals linked to Lunar New Year. We were also very excited about our special visitor, "Volditort" this week- Mr Spencer kindly brought in his pet Tortoise for the day. The children thoroughly enjoyed the responsibility of caring for him; giving him a water bath, and feeding him crunchy lettuce leaves. We have also enjoyed spending time in our outside learning areas. We also made Valentines day smoothies and thought about all the special people that we love whilst sharing the story of "Guess how much I love you".

Please keep an eye on the events section on Class Dojo as we are planning a 'Mother's Day' afternoon stay and play, and will be posting dates for Parent's evening appointments. Dates will follow very soon!

Reception class have thoroughly enjoyed their outdoor learning this term. The children have explored enthusiastically, demonstrated excellent teamwork, developed their critical thinking skills, and - unsurprisingly - got wonderfully muddy along the way! We are excited to continue these experiences after half term and are hoping for a little more sunshine... It has often seemed that each time we put on our wellies and puddle suits, the skies have opened with torrential rain - it's a wonder we haven't had to build an ark yet, although that certainly would have called for plenty of creativity and teamwork!

In science over the past few weeks, the **Year 1** children have been exploring material - wood, plastic, glass, metal and rock. Last week there was great excitement in class when we were looking at melting and freezing. This was a practical activity where the children worked scientifically - performing simple tests. Great work class!

In **Year 2** this week we have enjoyed learning how to be healthy in My Happy Mind. In English we have been writing a setting description and we have enjoyed taking photos using portrait and landscape formats in computing.

Year 3 had a fantastic time taking their English lesson outdoors! The children embraced the fresh air, got hands-on with their learning, and admittedly may have come home a little muddy! In maths, we have just completed our end-of-unit assessment on multiplication and division. The children performed brilliantly, showing clear and accurate use of their methods. It's wonderful to see them thinking like true mathematicians! Well done Year 3!



We had the pleasure of parents/ grandparents joining **Year 4** for an art afternoon last Friday. We created collages out of paper inspired by Beatriz Milhazes. We thought about the shapes and colours to use. This week we have written our deforestation letters, we are very proud of them and have put them up in the class windows for everyone to see! In science we classified flowering and non flowering plants using classification keys.

This week, **Year 5** looked at heat insulators. They conducted an experiment involving measuring the temperatures of beakers wrapped in different materials to see which material was the best insulator of heat.

This week in **Year 6**, we have been going through our tests from last week and covering some of the areas we need to work on. We have finished off our work on decimals in maths and written some setting descriptions using our next text as a stimulus.

Important Information Pages

Hi everyone!

Just a quick reminder to keep an eye on our Important Information Pages. These pages include everything you need to know about what's happening in school — from deadlines and updates to details about companies we work with, like School Trends, catering and music lessons.

Things can change week to week, so it's worth checking back regularly to stay up to date. Thanks for keeping in the loop!



What's Happening

Gardening Club is Back!

We are pleased to announce the return of Gardening Club, open to pupils in Years 1–6.

The club will run every Thursday from 3:15–4:15pm, starting Thursday 26th February (the first week back after half term) and finishing on Thursday 26th March (the final week before the Easter holidays).

Please note:

- Spaces are limited to 10 children.
- To give as many pupils as possible the opportunity to participate, children who already attend another Thursday club are asked to not switch clubs for this half term.

As this club is running for a short half term only, no booking forms will be issued. **If your child would like to join, please sign up in person at the**

school office or email
admin@norton.gloucs.sch.uk

We look forward to another exciting half term of gardening!



INFANT NEWS





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INFANT NEWS

For years 1 & 2

Payment now on parentpay

Please see letter below for information on paying and permissions.



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Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Drama Workshop

Instead of a trip out this term, Year 1 and Year 2 will be taking part in a Drama Workshop in school. This will support their learning in class and will take place during the morning of Thursday 26th February.

The workshop will be delivered by the company 'Divergent Drama'. During this fun filled workshop Year 1 children will take part in activities around the story of 'The Three Little Pigs' where they will meet the fairy tale characters and help them solve their problems.

In Year 2, the children will be exploring the topic of 'The Great Fire of London' which relates to their learning in History.

The cost of this workshop would be a voluntary contribution of £12.00 per child. Please let us know if this causes any real difficulty, as no child will be refused a place because of non-payment. (Obviously, however, if we do not receive sufficient contributions we will be unable to proceed with the workshop).

To help reduce the amount of paper we use in school, we kindly ask that you do the following instead of returning printed reply slips:

- Send your voluntary contribution in a clearly named envelope (cash), or pay using ParentPay.
- To confirm that your child has permission to take part, please comment on the pinned post on your ClassDojo page, or let your child's teacher know in person so they can mark this on the class list.

Yours sincerely

Fiona Cooper
Year 2 Teacher

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Did you know we have milk in school for snack time? This is supplied by coolmilk..
Please see the letter below if you'd like your child to be a part of this scheme, sign
up using the QR code!



Dear parent/guardian,

As you may be aware your child's school has a milk scheme, administered by Cool Milk. Mid-morning milk provides a much-needed nutritional boost and keeps children hydrated between breakfast and lunch. Children receive free milk until the age of 5. After that, they can continue to reap the benefits of fresh mid-morning milk at a subsidised* cost.

If you'd like to opt in and have not already done so, simply register your child at www.coolmilk.com/parents. Your child(ren) will continue to receive free milk whilst under the age of 5 and Cool Milk will get in touch with further information by email shortly before their 5th birthday.

For children who are already over 5, it's not too late – our scheme is flexible! As well as being able to register and make payment straight away, you can join and cancel the scheme at any time. We offer yearly, termly and half termly payment periods and a recurring payment option to give you one less thing to remember.

If you already have an online Cool Milk account for a sibling, you can manage your account, make payment and add extra children by logging in at www.coolmilk.com/parents.

Should you have any questions or need any help, send us a message at www.coolmilk.com/contact or give us a call on the number listed below – we're here to help!

Kind regards,

Cool Milk

☐ : 0800 321 3248
☐ : www.coolmilk.com



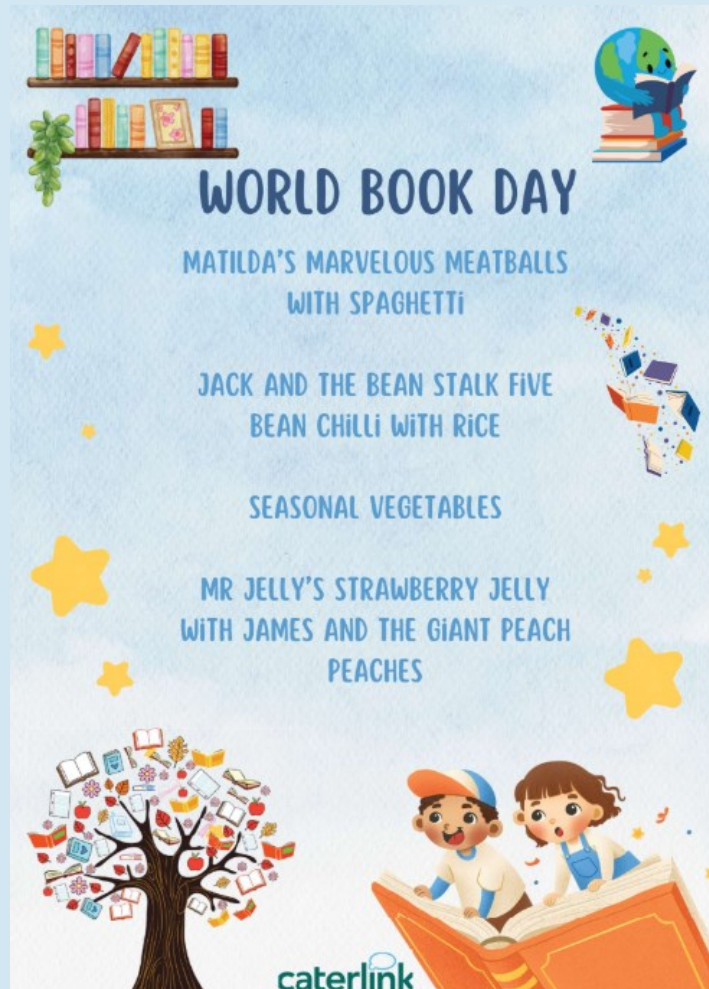
SCAN TO REGISTER

*Milk for under-5s is fully funded by DHSC via the Nursery Milk Scheme. Milk for over-5s is subsidised by Defra via the School Milk Scheme.

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LUNCHES

Next fun menu is on world book day - 5th March!



SEE THE NEXT PAGES FOR MORE WORLD BOOK DAY INFORMATION AND A CATERLINK COMPETITION!

School Meals Payment Reminder

Please note that all school lunches are paid for via ParentPay and must be settled through the app or at a PayPoint. We are unable to accept cash for lunches.

We are currently seeing a significant number of accounts with outstanding dinner balances. Parents and carers are expected to ensure their ParentPay accounts remain in credit at all times. If you are experiencing difficulties accessing ParentPay or locating a PayPoint, please contact the school office without delay.

For information regarding preschool dinner payments please see preschool class dojo page.

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

5 MARCH 2026

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT NORTON:

Get ready to turn the page on an exciting adventure! World Book Day is happening on Thursday 5th March, and we have lots of fun planned!

Instead of fancy dress, we are asking you to come in wearing just non-uniform. The children are invited to bring in a plain white T-shirt along with their favourite book. During the day they'll transform their T-shirt into a creative masterpiece, to wear over their non-uniform, inspired by their chosen story - decorating it with characters, quotes, and colourful designs that celebrate their love of reading. We can't wait to see all the wonderful book-inspired creations come to life!


Bedtime Story Time

The fun doesn't stop there! That evening, from 5:30–6:00 pm, staff will be hosting a special bedtime story event. Children are invited to come back to school in their pyjamas, bringing along their favourite teddy or cosy blanket. They'll enjoy a relaxing bedtime story, a biscuit, and a drink before heading home ready for sweet dreams. There will be a £1 charge per child for this event. We're looking forward to a magical day and a snug, story-filled evening!

More information on where to drop off/collect your child will be coming after half term.

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5 MARCH 2026

CATERLINK COMPETITION

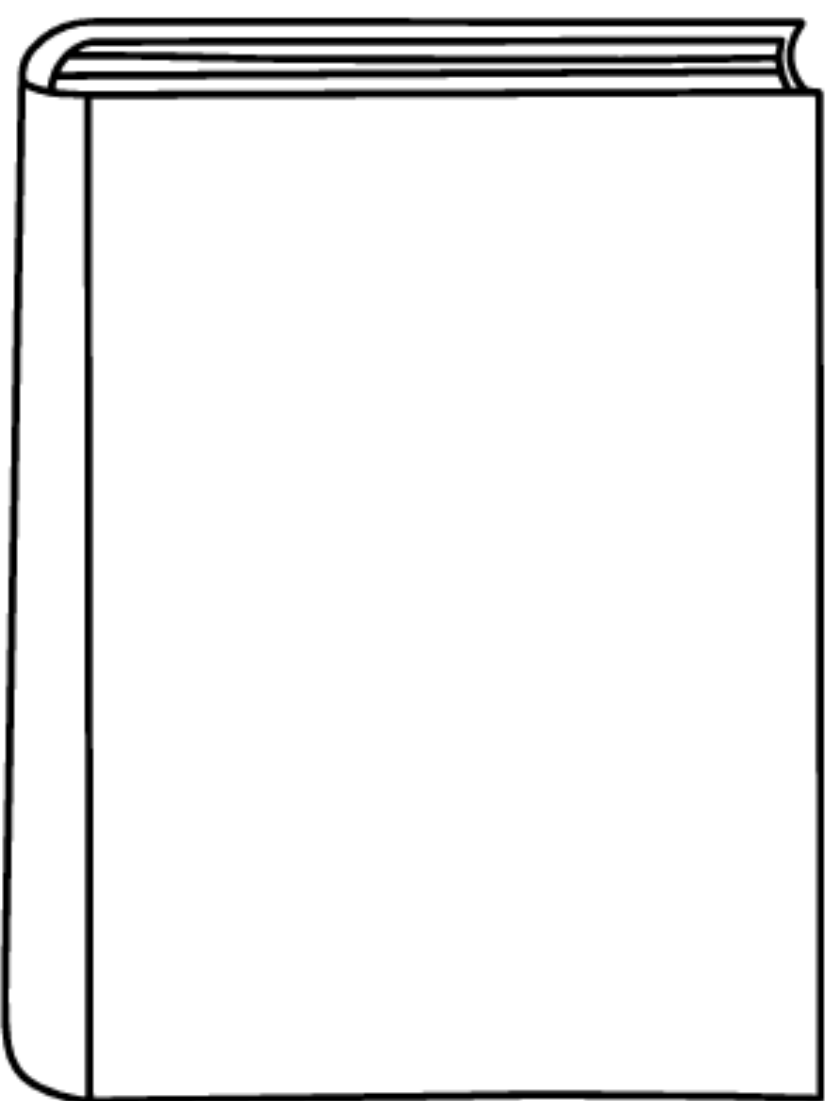
If you would like to enter this competition, please print off or collect a copy from the office and send into the office by 9am Friday 27th February.

TICKET
ADMIT ONE
1234567890

WORLD BOOK DAY COMPETITION

Book Design Competition – Design a food themed book and draw the front cover. (e.g James and the giant Peach.. but be creative and create your own book!)

Send your picture to the Caterlink team. Winners will receive a Golden Ticket for a book voucher!





feeding the imagination

Name

School

Year



Are you having a spring Clean?
We'd Love Your Help!

If you're having a spring clean, we'd be so grateful if you could consider donating any unwanted items to our school.

We are currently working with a very tight budget and would love support in sourcing items for our classrooms and breakout spaces.

If you're able to help, we are looking for the following items:

- * cushions
- * Bean bags
- * Lights/fairy lights
- * Sensory toys
- * Tough tray
- * Games and puzzles (suitable for ages 2-4)
- * Playground/outside toys (giant chess/giant jenga/giant O's&X's etc...)
- * A bubble machine
- * A basketball hoop suitable for preschool age





SCHOOL ATTENDANCE; FOOD FOR THOUGHT

A pupil whose attendance rate is about 90% means that he/she is absent for the equivalent of one half day every week.

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM

In the whole year this means that he/she is absent for 4 whole weeks.

Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
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If through years Reception to year 4 the attendance continues at 90% he/she will miss the equivalent of about one half of a school year.

	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Year R											
Year 1											
Year 2											
Year 3											
Year 4											

Do you think a 90% attendance rate will affect this pupil's chance of doing well in school?



Please see below the booking form for term 4 (and on the next page for term 5 and 6 if you're being super organized!)

Due to the high number of children using this service we need to ensure we have the correct number of staff to cover it, so all children attending this club **must** have a form filled out.

NO FORM = NO CLUB!

We accept this form by handing in a physical copy or emailing it to admin@norton.gloucs.sch.uk

Many thanks.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING FORM 25/26

Please indicate which session you would like to book from 23rd February until 27th March 2026

Please indicate with a tick or with a child's name which before/after school club you would like to book

Term 4	Before	After			Before	After	
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm	3:15pm - 5:30pm	Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm	3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 23rd Feb				Mon 16th Mar			
Tue 24th Feb			Closed	Tue 17th Mar			Closed
Wed 25th Feb			Closed	Wed 18th Mar			Closed
Thur 26th Feb				Thur 19th Mar			
Fri 27th Feb		Closed		Fri 20th Mar		Closed	
Mon 2nd Mar				Mon 23rd Mar			
Tue 3rd Mar			Closed	Tue 24th Mar			Closed
Wed 4th Mar			Closed	Wed 25th Mar			Closed
Thur 5th Mar				Thur 26th Mar			
Fri 6th Mar		Closed		Fri 27th Mar		Closed	
Mon 9th Mar							
Tue 10th Mar			Closed				
Wed 11th Mar			Closed				
Thur 12th Mar							
Fri 13th Mar		Closed					

Name of Child/ren: _____

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions on the website for the before and after school club.



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING FORM 25/26

Please indicate which session you would like to book from 14th April until 22nd May 2026

Please indicate with a tick or with a child's name which before/after school club you would like to book

Term 5	Before	After
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm 3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 13th Apr	INSET DAY	
Tue 14th Apr		Closed
Wed 15th Apr		Closed
Thur 16th Apr		
Fri 17th Apr		Closed
Mon 20th Apr		
Tue 21st Apr		Closed
Wed 22nd Apr		Closed
Thur 23rd Apr		
Fri 24th Apr		Closed
Mon 27th Apr		
Tue 28th Apr		Closed
Wed 29th Apr		Closed
Thur 30th Apr		
Fri 1st May		Closed

	Before	After
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm 3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 4th May	BANK HOLIDAY	
Tue 5th May		Closed
Wed 6th May		Closed
Thur 7th May		
Fri 8th May		Closed
Mon 11th May		
Tue 12th May		Closed
Wed 13th May		Closed
Thur 14th May		
Fri 15th May		Closed
Mon 18th May		
Tue 19th May		Closed
Wed 20th May		Closed
Thur 21st May		
Fri 22nd May		Closed

Name of Child/ren: _____

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions on the website for the before and after school club.

Signed: _____

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING FORM 25/26

Please indicate which session you would like to book from 1st June until 17th July 2026

Please indicate with a tick or with a child's name which before/after school club you would like to book

Term 6	Before	After
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm 3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 1st Jun		
Tue 2nd Jun		Closed
Wed 3rd Jun		Closed
Thur 4th Jun		
Fri 5th Jun		Closed
Mon 8th Jun		
Tue 9th Jun		Closed
Wed 10th Jun		Closed
Thur 11th Jun		
Fri 12th Jun		Closed
Mon 15th Jun		
Tue 16th Jun		Closed
Wed 17th Jun		Closed
Thur 18th Jun		
Fri 19th Jun		Closed
Mon 22nd Jun		
Tue 23rd Jun		Closed
Wed 24th Jun		Closed
Thur 25th Jun		
Fri 26th Jun		Closed

	Before	After
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm 3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 29th Jun		
Tue 30th Jun		Closed
Wed 1st Jul		Closed
Thur 2nd Jul		
Fri 3rd Jul		Closed
Mon 6th Jul		
Tue 7th Jul		Closed
Wed 8th Jul		Closed
Thur 9th Jul		
Fri 10th Jul		Closed
Mon 13th Jul		
Tue 14th Jul		Closed
Wed 15th Jul		Closed
Thur 16th Jul		
Fri 17th Jul		Closed

Name of Child/ren: _____

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Dates for your diary for February/March:

Half term: 16th to 20th February

- Wednesday 25th Feb - PTA silent disco see page 18
- Thursday 26th Feb - Y1&Y2 drama workshop see page 7
- Friday 27th Feb - Look who's talking KS1 finals at Norton
- 2nd & 3rd March - Puzzle man activities in classes
- Thursday 5th March - World book day see pages 9 & 10
- Friday 6th March - changes to reading at Norton information session EYFS/KS1 see your class dojo pages for more information
- Thursday 12th March - EYFS/KS1 Mother's day morning see page 6
- Wednesday 18th March - EYFS/KS1 multiskills letter coming after half term
- Thursday 19th March - Y4 class trip letter coming after half term
- Thursday 26th March - Easter service in the village hall
- Friday 27th March - Potato rolling
- Last day of term, finish at 1:20pm.

Easter holidays: 30th March to 10th April

First week after half term - 23rd February 2026:

Day:	The School Day:	After School clubs: 3:30 - 4:15pm	Lunch Menu (week 2)
Monday		Fitness Infant bench ball	Mild Mexican chilli with rice Vegan meatballs in tomato sauce with spaghetti Jacket potato & Beans/Cheese/Tuna
Tuesday		Junior bench ball	Sausage and mash with gravy Chefs special lentil curry with rice Jacket potato & Beans/Cheese/Tuna Baguette & Ham/Cheese/Tuna
Wednesday	PTA silent disco 5-6:30pm	Football (Y2,Y3,Y4) Mindful colouring Book club	Roast chicken with roast potatoes Vegetable wellington with roast potatoes Jacket potato & Beans/Cheese/Tuna
Thursday	Year 1 & Year 2 drama workshop. Please see page 7.	Football (Y5,Y6) Outdoor learning	Spaghetti bolognese with garlic bread Roasted vegetable pizza with new potatoes Jacket potato & Beans/Cheese/Tuna Baguette & Ham/Cheese/Tuna
Friday	Look who's talking KS1 finals Sharing assembly 2:45pm. All welcome		Fish fingers with chips Red pepper frittata with chips Jacket potato & Beans/Cheese/Tuna



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Wednesday 25th February

5-6:30pm

Norton Village Hall

£4 per ticket, includes headset hire

Hotdogs and Pizza, Sweets,

Glitter Tattoos, Lucky Dip

Infant parents must stay, Juniors must be signed in/out

It's Disco time again! Details on the poster. Tickets are available by sending money into the office in a named envelope. Please note that tickets this year will be raffle tickets to save on costs.

Thanks for your support as always.



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PTA News

Thank you for supporting our Christmas Fair and raffle. Together we raised over £1300!



£7000



Outside Shelter,
Class experiences
&
library books



Wednesday 25th
February
5-6:30pm

Tickets on sale
after school
today!

Also coming up...

- Easter Village trail (Sun 29th March and during Easter holidays)
- World Earth Day plant sale (Fri 24th April)
- Car Boot Sale (Sun 10th May)
- Summer Bonanza (TBC)

Having a party?

Try our reusable party kit, rather than buying disposable.

Help support our school's sustainability efforts and PTA fundraising too!

*collection from, and return to, Norton
Contact: Norton.sch.pta@gmail.com

£10 per hire*

30 place settings
5 Jugs
6 Serving Platters

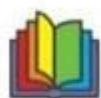
ZERO WASTE



OF THE WEEK

Let's get ready for world book day by reading our way through half term... can you create a whole rainbow from our reading challenge? Print off the sheet and cut them out or create your own using this as a temple.

Bring it in to share with your teacher after half term.. We'd also love to share pictures of your completed rainbows in the newsletter!



Rainbow Reading Challenge!



Read... ☐ a book you can finish in a day Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆	Read... ☐ a book that a friend recommends Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆	Read... ☐ a book published this year Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆
Read... ☐ a book you own but have not read Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆	Read... ☐ a book written before you were born Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆	Read... ☐ a book that your teacher recommends Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆
Read... ☐ A book that intimidates you Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆	Read... ☐ a book that a family member recommends Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆	Read... ☐ A book you've always wanted to read Title: _____ Author: _____ Stars: ☆☆☆☆☆



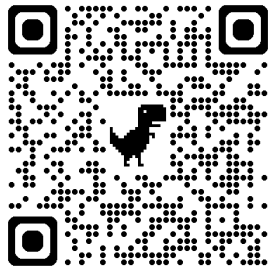
Healthy plate of the week!



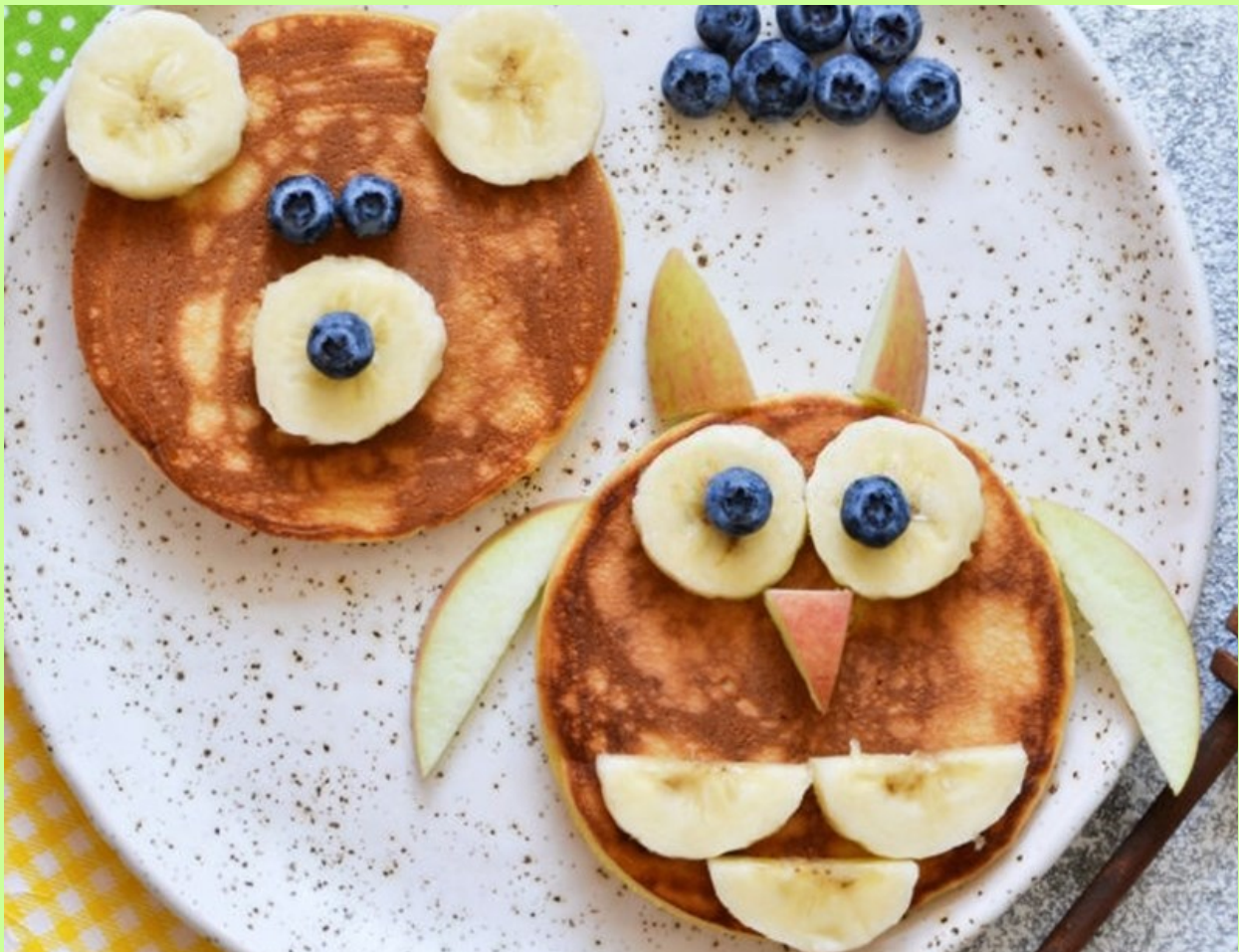
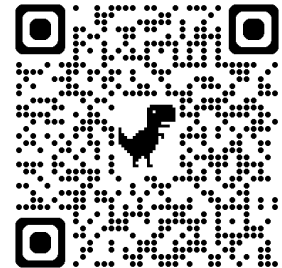
Tuesday is pancake day.... Do you think it's one of the best days of the year... some of your teachers definitely do!

Why not follow a simple pancake recipe (below) and add your favourite fruit on top.... But don't be boring, how can you arrange your fruit to make it fun? Check out these examples to copy, or have a go at making your own!

Crêpe recipe:



Fluffy pancakes:



EXTERNAL AGENCIES ADVERTISING PAGES

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**Please assure yourselves of the safety, security and suitability
of any item contained on the red pages.**

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We are pleased to invite all parents and guardians across Gloucestershire to a free NHS funded Oral Health Webinar taking place on

Saturday 28th February at 10:00am.

This session is suitable for families with children aged 0–12 years, and it provides practical, evidence-based guidance on supporting good oral health at home.

This opportunity is open to all families.

Webinar link:



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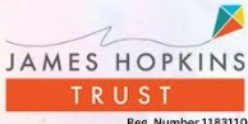
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Childhood cancer is one of the most common causes of death in children in the UK. Every year, just over 4,000 children and young adults receive this life-changing diagnosis.

The Grace Kelly Childhood Cancer Trust is working hard to raise awareness of childhood cancer signs and symptoms. We produce educational resources for parents and clinicians, provide support to families and fund research into rare cancers of childhood



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Website: www.gkcct.org
Registered charity number: 1167783

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Half-term Crafts February, flowers

Wed 18th Feb,
10-11.30am
Old Baptist Chapel
£1 per child



Bookings: 01684 297174 or email
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World Wildlife Day

Bath Salts & Bath Bombs



Sat 28th Feb,
10.30am - 12pm
John Moore Museum
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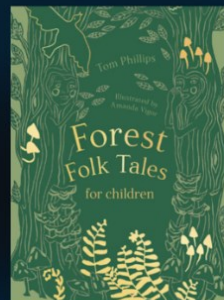


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Thursday 18th - Sunday 21st June



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**Children £8
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February Half Term at the Museum!

It's a busy Half Term packed with hands-on activities, creative workshops and plenty for families to explore. Creative makes, family fun and brilliant ways to dive into history all week long.

Art Explorers: Arts & Crafts Trail Sat 14 - Sun 22 Feb | £2 per trail

Follow the trail through puppets, pottery and nature-loving makers, try creative challenges and design your own patterns. Finish it and you'll earn a nature-inspired stamper to take home.

Making Folk: Crafting Charms and Folk Motifs Sat 14 Feb, 1-4 pm | £5

Get creative with natural materials, beads and fabric as you make your own charms or stitch folk-inspired motifs. For all ages, proudly part of Gloucester Folk Trail.

Hands On History: Object Handling with the Birdlip Mirror Sun 15 & Wed 18 Feb | £1 donation

Take a closer look at our Birdlip Mirror replicas and discover their stories with our Visitor Experience Assistant. This relaxed drop-in is free, with a suggested £1 donation. Great for families aged 3+.

Brick Builders Club: The Great Outdoors

Tue 17 Feb, 10am - 1pm | £3 per child
Get creative with nature-themed LEGO challenges inspired by our Arts & Crafts displays. Build landscapes, dream up wild creatures or invent something totally new. Pick up fun prompts and let your imagination take over. Suitable for ages 5+.

Glorious Glevum Tour Wed 18 Feb, 2-3pm | From £5

Explore Roman Glevum with Lucius Sita, our resident auxiliary soldier. Discover why the Romans chose Gloucester, what daily life looked like and the hidden treasures inside the museum.

Medieval Mercenary Tour of the Eastgate Chamber

Sat 21 Feb, 2-3pm | From £5
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11:40 - 12:30	Activity 3
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 14:20	Activity 4
14:20 - 15:10	Activity 5
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2026 Course Locations & Dates:

- February Half-Term: Ashley Manor Prep School, Cheltenham
- Easter Holidays: Bournside School, Cheltenham
- May Half-Term: Kingshill School
- Summer Holidays: Skillzone (2 sessions available)
- October Half-Term: Pineholt Village Hall

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