



Dear Parents, Carers and members of our local community,

I start this newsletter with some very happy news—we had a day of 100% attendance this week! I am so happy! Thank you all for supporting us with this, I know illness can't be helped but it has been a very long time since we managed 100% so thank you all. Lets hope that our overall attendance continues to improve.

An area that does need some work on is lateness, pupils need to be at school by 8.45– the bells ringing at the church mark the start of the school day. Please ensure your child is at school by this time.

Parking/Morning Entrance

In the last newsletter I highlighted that I was monitoring morning drop off and asked for comments and thoughts from you, thank you to those of you that have shared. For the remainder of this term I would like to trial all children coming in through the front door in the morning. I know this is a change but hopefully the children know that is what we do when the weather is poor. Messages to staff can be passed to myself or Mrs Thomas who will continue to be on the door and just inside the gate, you can also continue to message them on class dojo. We do have a number of pupils who come in for interventions early so unless your child is one of those children please do not ring the bell. All children will be let into school from 8.35 onwards. Mrs Thomas and myself will come in from the door and lock the large front gate at 8.45 each morning. At the end of this term I will assess again, again during this time if you have any thoughts or comments please let me know.

Homework

Following the parent questionnaire in October, we have listened and responded to parents re clarification of homework. Each class has clarified homework expectations which as we move into the spring term may have increased in order to ensure that pupils are ready for their next year. As ever reading is the number one priority for homework and I cannot stress enough how important it is for you to listen to your child read, no matter what year they are in! We appreciate that many of our children attend clubs etc and so keeping on top of homework can be a challenge, we do not want homework to become a battle at home but we do want to ensure that we are providing the best we can for your children. If you have any questions about homework, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Phone and Website

The eagle eyed amongst you may have noticed that our website has changed– hopefully you will agree for the better– it has got a fresh new look. We have also had an upgrade to our phones so we can now have more than one person on the phone at a time! An answerphone is now in place outside of office hours (8.30-4.00) please leave a message if you call out of these hours—it will be listened to. Thank you.

The term has continued to be action packed! Forest School has started back up and Robins are enjoying their weekly sessions. All classes will have forest school before the end of the academic year. The whole school took part in the RSPB Birdwatch, we have celebrated national handwriting day by holding a school competition, we will be doing a number of activities during children's mental health week before the term ends and we are celebrating the NSPCC Number day by dressing up as Rockstars to celebrate our Timestables– more information will be sent closer to the time! We have currently got a member of the Kidderminster Harriers who is coming into school working with all the classes—putting them through their steps and supporting fitness and health. It is always great having a coach come in and support the delivery of fitness and health so huge thanks to them!

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend, weather over the next few weeks is meant to be cold and wet—so please can you ensure children come in with their coats!

Mrs Hibell

Headteacher

DIARY DATES

Thursday 29th January—Sleep Workshop for parents

Monday 2nd February— Kestrels Multi Skills Sports Festival at the Chase

Friday 6th February—Friends Valentine Disco

Friday 6th February—TTRS dress like a rock star in support of NSPCC Number Day 2026

Friday 13th February—SENDIASS ‘Autism & Me’ workshop for parents

[Monday 16th to Friday 20th February—Half term holiday](#)

Monday 2nd March—High school place offer day

Monday 9th March—Parents Consultation Meetings

Wednesday 11th March—Robins trip to the Early Years Music Festival

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Wednesday 18th March—Kestrels trip to Wicton Farm

Friday 27th March—Easter Church Service in St Mary’s Church

[Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April—Easter holiday](#)

Thursday 16th April—Primary school place offer day

w/c 27th April—Bikeability—further information to follow

w/c 11th May—SATs week

18th May—Buzzards Bellboating at Upton Marina (further information to follow)

[Friday 22nd May—Inset day](#)

[Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May—Half term holiday](#)

Monday 1st June to Friday 5th June—Buzzards Residential at Grittleton House

Thursday 11th June—class photos and Y6 leavers photos

Contact Details

If you have changed any contact or address details please inform the school office so we can ensure we have the most up to date information.

Updates from Worcestershire County Council

Healthwatch Survey: Parent Carer Needs Assessment

If you care for a disabled child or young person, you are legally entitled to request a Parent Carer Needs Assessment (PCNA) from your local authority. This assessment helps understand how caring affects your life and wellbeing and identifies support or services that may help you in your caring role.

[Healthwatch Worcestershire](#) is running a survey to better understand parent carers' experiences of requesting a PCNA. Your responses will help highlight what is working well and where improvements may be needed.

[Complete the Healthwatch survey here.](#)

The survey closes on 31st January.

Shaping Library Services Survey

Worcestershire County Council's Shaping Library Services for 2026–2028 survey is now live. We are asking residents to share their views on library services and how they meet their own or their family's needs. Whether you currently use the library or don't use library services at the moment, your views matter. Your feedback will help shape priorities for library services between 2026 and 2028.

Share your views by completing our short survey: [Shaping Library Services 2026 to 2028](#) (closing date is midnight, 2 February 2026).

Raring2Go Magazine

The Winter Edition of the Raring2Go Magazine is now available, packed with activities, days out and competitions.

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/herefordandworcester/winter2026/>



**SEND
Information,
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Herefordshire & Worcestershire

Autism & Me

(Developed by Autistic Young People)

Workshop for Parents

Madresfield Primary School

Friday 13th February '26

9:30am – 11:30am

**12 spaces available – please use booking link on Dojo to
secure your place**

This session is for parents and carers of young people with SEND, particularly those with autism, who want to understand their perspective and improve communication and support.

From the workshop, you can expect:

- insights from autistic young people on their experiences, challenges, and strengths
- strategies for supporting communication, sensory needs, and emotional wellbeing
- a deeper understanding of behaviours and what they might mean for your child
- a chance to ask questions and explore useful resources

WORCESTERSHIRE
FAMILY HUBS



Sleep Workshop

Thursday 29th January

9.15am – 11.15am

Madresfield Primary School

Parent workshop led by **Hollie Carver** of Malvern Sunshine Family Hub, alongside a dedicated Family Hub Practitioner.

This two-hour workshop focuses on

- The importance of sleep
- How to develop and maintain a positive bedtime routine
- Strategies to support good sleep hygiene
- Further support available in the wider community



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county council

worcestershire.gov.uk/FamilyHub

Malvern Multi-Sports Camp



Providing young people aged 4-14 with an opportunity to have fun, develop sports skills and meet with friends.

16th & 17th
February 2026

8.45am-3.30pm
@ Sport Dyson Perrins
Leisure Centre



Yates Hay Road, Malvern, WR14 1WD.

£27.50 per day or £49.50 for 2 days.



To secure your
place, contact:

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MSc. Sports Coaching
07879 779569



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ACTIVITIES



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**UNIVERSITY OF
WORCESTER ARENA**

COLWALL AND MALVERN HOCKEY CLUB 'PICK UP A STICK' SESSIONS IN FEBRUARY HALF TERM



**FREE SESSIONS FOR
JUNIORS
(SCHOOL YEARS 1 - 8)**

**SESSIONS AVAILABLE:
10- 12 PM OR 1 - 3 PM
FRIDAY 20TH FEB**



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To book your child's place
please email:
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