



**Aim for the Highest**

**Dates for your diary:**

**Half Term**  
**16 - 20 February**

**Non Pupil Day - 23 February**

**Children return to school**  
**24 February**

**World Book Day - 6 March**

**KS2 'We the Curious' Trip**  
**11 March**

**STEM Week**  
**9 - 13 March**

**Parents Evening**  
**12 & 16 March**

**Music Concert - 24 March**

**Easter Service - 1 April**

**End of Term - 2 April**

**Stars of the week**

**Ash:** Grace  
**Beech:** Jack M  
**Cedar:** Ava  
**Oak:** Eloise

**Golden Leaves**  
**Ash:** Hugo  
**Beech:** Isla  
**Cedar:** Liam  
**Oak:** Orson

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## Newsletter: 9 January 2026



### Message from Sarah Price

Welcome Back! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed spending quality time with your families. As we begin another busy term, please keep an eye on the upcoming dates to stay informed about events and activities. All dates can be found on our calendar which you can find [here](#). A gentle reminder to parents: if your child is going to be absent from school, please contact the office by 9:30 a.m. so we can update our records promptly. Next week, we will be sending out curriculum overviews so you can see what your child will be learning this term. These overviews also include suggested activities you can do at home to support your child's learning.

### Willow Class (Pre-school)

Hello everyone and a happy New Year to you all. We have started with a bang in Willow and have been noticing and talking about the weather. It has been a changeable week with snow, rain, wind and Storm Goretti. It has been perfect for the start of our new topic about 'Seasonal Weather'. We are also enjoying our new 'Leap into Life' programme which supports children coordination and movement. This week we have been practicing moving forwards, backwards and sideways. Phew, what a start!



### Oak Class (Reception)

What a chilly start to the term! All the children have been fantastic at remembering our routines and have all settled back brilliantly into school life. On Tuesday we went outside and used our senses to explore the beautiful wintery changes around us. In Read, Write Inc sessions this week, we have begun reading our very first stories, known as ditties, which the children are very proud of. In maths, we have returned to looking at numbers to 5, including understanding what zero means and sorting representations of zero and numbers greater than zero.



### Cedar Class (Year 1 and 2)

We have had a fantastic start to the new term and the children have settled back into school routines brilliantly, showing lots of enthusiasm and curiosity in their learning. This week, we have begun exploring our new class text, *The Comet*, and the children have impressed us with the thoughtful and interesting questions they have been asking as we learn more about the story. Alongside this, we have started working with 3D sculptures, experimenting with shape and structure and sharing our creative ideas. We are really looking forward to an exciting term ahead in Cedar Class!



### Beech Class (Years 3 and 4)

The children have made a marvellous return to school and have settled back into routines exceptionally well. They have thoroughly enjoyed exploring our new English text 'Winter's Child', spending time making some fabulous predictions about the main characters in the story. In art, the children have been excited to begin their new unit on 2D and 3D sculpture, showing great creativity and enthusiasm. PE has been equally engaging, with pupils developing the fundamental skills for basketball. Music has been a real highlight too, as the children have enjoyed either learning to play the glockenspiel or building on their existing skills. All in all, it has been a fantastic first few days back at school, full of learning, creativity, and fun!



### Ash Class (Years 5 and 6)

We have been straight back on it this week with a focus on beginning the new year with a positive mindset. The children have been thinking about what they would like to improve on and how they are going to try to accomplish this. We have started our new class book - *The Lost Thing* - which is accompanied by a short, animated film. In maths, we are back to looking at fractions with some of the children multiplying them together. Our PE session, had to be adapted from basketball to benchball due to the weather but the children showed great communication and movement when playing the games. We are really looking forward to all of what the Spring Term has to bring!

