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Half Term

The school closes this Friday for half term and we hope you all have a lovely break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 3rd November.

Halloween Party

The deadline for the Halloween party slips is today at **12 noon**. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept any more slips. For any parents/carers who are attending, we are not expecting a fire alarm but if it goes off, please make your exit out the nearest fire door and go to the main playground and stand next to letter **V**.

Halloween Bags – message from the PTA

Today and tomorrow, Miss McCormack, on behalf of the PTA, will be selling Halloween treat bags. She will be selling them on the playground at 8:45 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. The cost of the bags will be £1.

Christmas Lunch

If you would like to order a Christmas lunch for yourself or your child (who isn't FSM) don't forget to return the slip with the money by **Wednesday**. Unfortunately, we won't be able to accept any slips after this date.

Eagles School Visit

On **Thursday** Eagles are off on a visit to Eden Camp. The bus will be leaving at **8:30 a.m. and would like the children in school by 8:15 a.m.** We aim for the children to be back for **4:30 p.m.** If your child is bringing their own packed lunch, please ensure they bring it in a backpack and there are no fizzy drinks or glass bottles. Your child will need to wear a coat, school jumper, jogging bottoms and sturdy trainers are advised as there are muddy sections.

Reminder - School Photograph Sign-Up Deadline

Mrs Grundy recently sent an email regarding school photographs. If you would like your child(ren) to have their photo taken, please ensure the online form is completed by **12 noon this Friday**. Unfortunately, if the form is not submitted by the deadline, the school photographer will not be able to take your child(ren) photograph.

Reception Baseline

On **Friday** from 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Mr Judge will be available if you would like to pop in to see him for a quick chat regarding your child's baseline narrative, which will be sent home this week.

Interim Reports – how is my child doing in school

We are sending home reports for every child this Friday – if you do not receive one, please speak to your child's teacher.

After School Clubs

Next term the PE after school's clubs are changing to gymnastics. We will be sending home a letter this week.

Diary Dates

October 2025

Week 20th 100 life skills
20th and 21st PTA
Halloween bags
22nd PTA Halloween party
23rd Eagles visit to Eden Camp
24th No swimming or music tuition
24th Go Beyond parent/carer meeting for Year Four
24th Interim reports
24th Baseline open session for Wrens parents/carers
24th Break up for half term

November 2025

Week 3rd Go beyond for Year Four
3rd Bikeability
Week 10th Anti-bullying week
Week 10th World Nursery Rhyme week
10th Odd Socks day
13th Bikeability
14th Children in Need
17th Bikeability
19th School photographs
20th PTA wear your own clothes day
20th Parents' Evening
20th Book fair
27th Christmas fair

New dates in blue

Headteacher's Award
Lottie-Mae Johnson

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- Wrens- L-M B
- Robins - San Ahmadi
- Kingfishers - Kason Cunning
- Kestrels - Jacon Hagues
- Eagles - Prudence Blood

Wonderful Writer
Paisley-Rae Wood

Local History Walk



A wonderful opportunity to explore the history of Ironville and its ties to the Butterley ironworks by looking at the street names and the ironworks site.

Celebrating Diwali

The Festival of Lights

This week, many families around the world are celebrating **Diwali**, also known as the Festival of Lights. Diwali is a time for joy, togetherness, and hope. People decorate their homes with lights, share sweets, and enjoy time with loved ones.

At school, we enjoy learning about different traditions and cultures. Diwali is a wonderful opportunity to explore stories, art, and values such as kindness, light, and community.

We wish all those celebrating a very **Happy Diwali!**

Safeguarding

If you have a concern regarding child protection or safeguarding please contact:

The Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs Grundy and Mrs Bowler (Fridays)

The Deputy Safeguarding Leads – Miss Sharpe, Mrs Coulston, Mrs Bowler, Mrs Nicholson and Mrs Moore

Starting Point (For all Safeguarding Concerns)
01629 533190

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