



Ironville and Codnor Park Primary School

Newsletter

2nd February 2026

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National Story Telling Week

We are excited to be celebrating National Storytelling Week from **Monday 2nd to Sunday 8th February**. This wonderful annual event, created by the Society for Storytelling, celebrates the magic and power of sharing stories—helping children develop empathy, imagination and a lifelong love of reading and writing. This year's theme, “**Soundtrack Your Story**,” explores how music, rhythm and sound connect us to words and help us express who we are. Throughout the week, we will be taking part in activities that encourage children to enjoy reading and oral storytelling, including exploring song lyrics, soundscapes and creative expression. For more information, please click on the link. [National Storytelling Week 2026 Activities, Events And Resources | National Literacy Trust](#)

Resilience Day

We are excited to be holding our very first Resilience Day on **Friday**, celebrating one of our key RESPECT behaviours. Resilience plays an essential role in helping children face challenges, manage setbacks and keep going even when things feel difficult. Throughout the day, children will take part in a range of activities designed to help them recognise and build their own resilience. These experiences will not only support their wellbeing now, but also equip them with important life skills they can draw upon when they are older. Children are invited to wear a cap or hat for the day as a symbol of having a positive attitude.

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week, we will be taking part in Children's Mental Health Week, focusing on empowering our children to use their voice and helping them understand that what they say truly matters. This year's theme, “This is My Place,” encourages children to recognise the systems and people around them that help them feel a sense of belonging.

On **Monday 9th February**, children are invited to come to school wearing something yellow. This will help us draw attention to the importance of belonging and highlight the support networks available to them.

Heroes and Heroines Party

On **Thursday 12th February** we will be having a 'Heroes and Heroines' party after school from 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. If you would like your child to attend they must return the reply slip by **12 noon on Monday 9th February** at the very latest. Any reply slips returned after this date we will unfortunately not be able to accept. Letters for the Heroes and Heroines party will be sent out this today so please look out for them.

Year Six Ukulele Musical Performance

On **Friday 13th February**, we would like to invite one family member of each Year Six child to join us for a special Spring Musical Concert. The performance will take place in the school hall from 2:15 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. This will be a wonderful opportunity to see the children share what they have been learning through their tuition with the Derbyshire Music Partnership. We hope you can join us to celebrate their hard work and musical achievements.

Diary Dates

February 2026

2nd National Story telling week
6th Resilience day
Week 9th Children's Mental Health week
9th [British Railway Safety for KS2](#)
10th Internet Safety day
12th Heroes and Heroines party
13th Interim reports
13th Musical Performance for Year Six parents/carers
13th Finish for half term
23rd School reopens

March 2026

5th World Book Day
11th Kingfishers visit
11th Time for You
12th Easter creative afternoon
13th Robins SEND meetings
13th Wrens SEND meetings
18th Sticky knowledge quiz
19th Parents' Evening
19th Kingfishers SEND meetings
19th Eagles SEND meetings
20th World Down Syndrome day
20th Homework finishes
[20th After school clubs finish](#)
[20th Easter Assembly](#)
[23rd ICP Talent Show](#)

[New dates in blue](#)

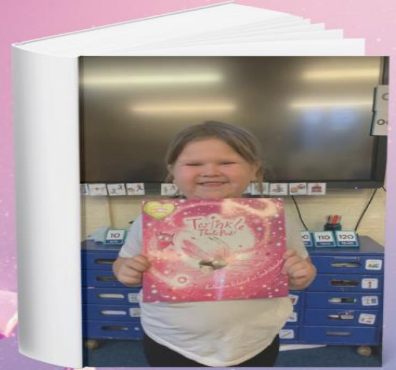
Headteacher's Award
 Charlie Bestwick

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Wrens- Aarohika Sutharsan
 Robins - Addison Wootton
 Kingfishers - Blake coals
 Kestrels - Brandon Dawson
 Eagles - Marcus Dawson

Wonderful Writer
 Tianna Mc Clatchie

READING FOR PLEASURE



Recommended Read



Come and join *Fantastic Fin* as he grows his courage by embodying various inspiring characters and animals to face his fears!

Ideal for children aged 4-7 years, this is the first book in a series supporting children's mental health by well-being author and psychotherapist Jessica Bowers.

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)
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