

WEEKLY NEWS

FRIDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2026

WONDERFUL WELCOME BACK FOR THE SPRING TERM

The sun has been shining this week, bringing welcomed relief from the grey skies and rain that filled the half term holiday. It has been lovely to be back outside and some children have even been hunting for signs of Spring. Our Early Birds in Breakfast Club have been planting seeds, drawing Spring flowers and thinking about songs which celebrate new beginnings.

During our whole school assembly, we talked about the importance of starting the new term by making green choices and being at school every day, on time so that we can all enjoy the wonderful learning that is planned. We have World Book Day to look forward to and Year 3 and Year 4 are visiting Rand Farm for their Residential visit the week after - so much to look forward to at Willoughby Road!



WORLD BOOK DAY

5 MARCH 2026

Join in the reading fun with our special 'Dress Up Day' celebration on **Thursday 5th March**

2:30pm: Join us for Book and a Biscuit with pupils

Spotlight on... Pupil Leadership



Reading Ambassadors

Attendance Champions

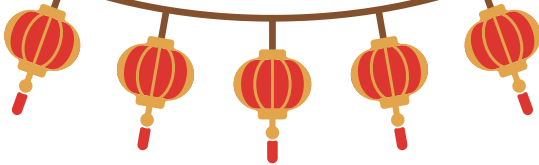
- Nursery - 99.0%
- Year 5 - 98.0%
- Year 3 - 97.8%
- Year 6 - 96.8%
- Reception - 96.7%
- Year 1 - 96.3%
- Year 4 - 92.9%
- Year 2 - 91.1%

Sneak Peek in the Classroom



There has been lots of exciting learning in our classrooms this week!

Reception



It has been a busy week in EYFS! Pupils have been using their cookery skills to make pancakes, explored Chinese New Year with stories, art and fine motor activities and started reading a new story about healthy foods, fruits and vegetables. Phew! Has it only been one week?!

Year 3 and Year 4

What a busy first week back!

In Art we have started to look at the work of the artist Sam Francis. He created abstract art which is not meant to represent anything real - it just expresses feelings and ideas. Sam Francis' work is very colourful, and we noticed he always uses blue somewhere in his creations.

In Geography we located Major towns and cities on a map of the United Kingdom, and learned what some of the symbols on Ordnance Survey maps represent.



Do you follow us
@WRPAcademy?

Year 1 and Year 2

What a brilliant first week back year 1 and 2 have had!

We picked up right where we left off in our maths lessons, recognising and identifying a half and a quarter of a shape or object.

In writing we have channelled our inner artists while text mapping our new text - The Fae. We have been coming up with sentences of three to describe fairies and goblins.



Year 5

An amazing first week back!

The children were delighted to begin their next science topic of forces and are looking forward to linking this to practically making objects later in the term in design and technology. We have begun to refresh our learning about percentages then moving on to link these to a fraction.

Our writing work has a science fiction theme because we are describing how a magical plant can be grown on the Moon.

Year 6

It has been another fantastic week in Year 6! In Maths, we have started our new unit on converting units. The children have been converting between measures of length, mass and capacity, using their place value knowledge to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000. They have shown great focus when tackling some tricky problems. In Reading, we have explored the characters of Grandmother and Grandfather in The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas, discussing their contrasting personalities and using evidence from the text to support our ideas. The class have impressed us with their thoughtful and mature responses.

Well done, Year 6 — keep up the hard work!



SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday 3rd March

World Book Day Book Fair Arrives!

Wednesday 4th March

EYFS Stay and Read

Y6 Boosters 3:15pm - 3:45pm

Thursday 5th March

WORLD BOOK DAY

Friday 6th March

Y4 Swimming

Girls' Football Tournament

Celebration Assembly at 2:40pm

Monday 9th March

Y3/4 Rand Farm Residential Visit (9/10/11)

Wednesday 11th March

NO STAY AND READ THIS WEEK

Y6 Boosters 3:15pm - 3:45pm

Friday 13th March

Y4 Swimming

NO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK

Wednesday 18th March

Y1/2 Stay and Read

Y6 Boosters 3:15pm - 3:45pm

Friday 20th March

Y4 Swimming

Celebration Assembly at 2:40pm

Wednesday 25th March

Y3/4 Stay and Read

Y6 Boosters 3:15pm - 3:45pm

Friday 27th March

Y4 Swimming

Celebration Assembly at 2:40pm

Monday 30th March

NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 1st April

Y5/6 Stay and Read

NO Y6 BOOSTER THIS WEEK

EVERGREEN BEHAVIOUR REWARD EVENT

Thursday 2nd April

Attendance Celebration Assembly

School Closes for Easter Holiday

Monday 20th April

INSET Day - School Closed to pupils

Tuesday 21st April

School reopens for pupils

Wednesday 22nd April

EYFS Stay and Read

Y6 Managing Emotions Workshop (WMIM)

Y6 Boosters 3:15pm - 3:45pm

Thursday 23rd April

Reception Class - Hearing and Vision Screening

Friday 24th April

Celebration Assembly at 2:40pm

206
PUPILS
THIS WEEK



THIS TERM'S

EVERGREEN

Wednesday 1st April

3.15PM - 4.15PM

Pupils have voted for...

EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA