



HEADTEACHER | Mr. Simon Elledge

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Dear Parents,

A very busy week with trips this week and thank you to all the parents who went with the classes, without your help trips are almost impossible! We also ran Safer Internet Day this week and have been exploring safe use of AI with the children. Please see the end of the newsletter for further information.

You will have seen the email today about World Book Day, please remember we are trying to do this without the need to spend money purchasing costumes!

Several parents have been complaining to me about the children playing in large groups before school. Please keep your child with you before the bell as the playground is full of small children and we don't want to end up with accidents happening. They have plenty of time to play together during their break-times!

Have a great half term and see you all back on Monday 23rd February.

Have a good weekend,



Mr Elledge

Attendance this week, well done Year 5!

YEAR R	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
98%	98%	97.7%	96.4%	92.7%	98.8%	88.8%



These **weekly awards** recognise those children going '**Over and Above**' in each class.

We are proud to share that these children have been chosen for this award this week

Year R	awarded to George for brilliant sentences in phonics and Daniel for sharing your wonderful ideas in class.
Year 1	awarded to Tommy for his superb modelling skills and resilience when making his clay pot and Charlotte for coming in to school with a smile on her face everyday and having a positive attitude to learning.
Year 2	awarded to Annabelle for superb work in maths and being able to explain her methods used and Harley for working so hard to make progress with his sounds in Read, Write Inc.
Year 3	awarded to Woodpeckers class for their behaviour for learning on the trip.
Year 4	awarded to Thomas for a fantastic effort with his instructional writing this week and Freddie for being really enthusiastic about his learning.
Year 5	awarded to Year 5 for their engagement and enthusiasm on the trip to Athelhampton House!
Year 6	awarded to Evelyn for an imaginative and descriptive 'finding tale' and Albert for great answers shared to summarise our population topic.



HEADTEACHER AWARD

This week the award goes to

Georgia in Year 4 for her wonderful manners and
behaviour.



Year 3 deep
in thought at
the Newt

HOUSE POINTS

RED



YELLOW



GREEN



BLUE



Safeguarding

If you have safeguarding concerns outside of school...
There is a Single point of contact for all safeguarding concerns

Tel: 01305228866

If you believe a child is at risk of immediate harm,
you should contact 999.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Safer Internet Day 2026 – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI

This week, our school joined others nationwide to celebrate Safer Internet Day 2026, the largest global online safety campaign. This year's theme, 'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI,' focuses on teaching children and young people the skills to use AI technology safely and responsibly, and highlights available support.

From voice assistants, to chatbots, to algorithms, AI technology is playing an increasingly large role in all our lives. It is important that we find time to discuss these tools and the impact they can have on our own and our families' online experiences, including:

- the news and content we see
- the way we work, including using AI for homework or studies
- the risk of misuse of AI, for example to create realistic scams or non-consensual nude images

We encourage you to join us in celebrating by continuing the conversation about AI technology at home. Here are some helpful resources:

- You can complete the [UK Safer Internet Centre's interactive quizzes](#) with your child.
- Read the UK Safer Internet Centre's top tips for parents and carers [here](#).
- You can share the UK Safer Internet Centre's [top tips for children and young people](#) with your child.

You may also like to use one of these prompts to start a conversation with your child:

- What's your favourite thing to do online?
- Have you ever used an AI tool? How did it make you feel?
- What do you like about AI technology?
- Do you have any worries about AI technology?
- What advice would you give to your friends about using AI?
- Who would you talk to if you saw something worrying online?
- What more can I do to help you feel safe online?

A key part of protecting children and young people from online harms is through preventative education. By talking about this in school and at home, we can all work towards keeping children safe when they are online. Celebrating Safer Internet Day is a

great opportunity for you to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year.

If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher/myself or one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads.

Kind regards,

Elena Foot

Computing Lead