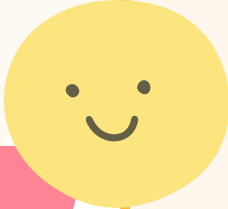


We have lots of Christmas events coming up - please come and join us!




We are very excited about the launch of our new curriculum after Christmas. Mr Johnston has introduced this to the children in assemblies and explained what projects they will be working on in January. The teachers are busy planning their first project and thinking about what their classrooms will look like.

The Merdon Association are helping by funding new resources that we need. Please don't forget to come and support Mertown from 3.30-5.30 on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December. All money raised will support the school and it will also be a great community event.

## Upcoming Dates

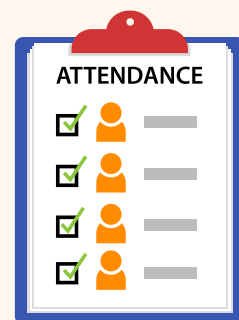
Year 2 Open Morning/Afternoon Tours - see website for dates  
Monday 1st December - 9am - Managing Your Child's Fears and Worries workshop with the Educational Psychologist (please book via the office)  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December p.m. - Cross Country at Fleming Park (by invite)  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Carol concerts  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December p.m. - Pantomime in school  
See the School Calendar for other upcoming dates.



## Attendance (from 17.11.25 to 28.11.25)

Robin - 95.2%  
Goldfinch - 97.8%  
Butterfly - 96.2%  
Sunflower - 97.8%  
Centipede - 99.1%  
Dragonfly - 98.2%  
Mushroom - 95.4%  
Clover - 95%

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November we had every single child in school in and on time, so 100% attendance - that is amazing!



## Other information

Sleep is vital for children's development but can be difficult, especially when routines are different in the build up to Christmas. The Sleep Charity has useful advice for parents <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/information-support/children/>

To check if your child is eligible for free school meals, please [click here](#).

Please see the [community page](#) on the school website for upcoming community activities.



## Our Learning this fortnight

### Year 3



Year 3 took their learning out into the copse and had a fantastic time. They worked very hard on their teamwork skills.

### Year 4



In Year 4, the children have been having a go at painting reflections using watercolours in the style of Adrian Berg.



### Stars of the Week!

**Week beginning 17.11.25**

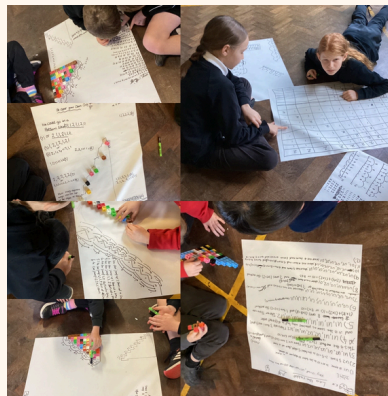
Robin - Rory  
Goldfinch - Thomas  
Butterfly - Harper  
Sunflower - Nicia  
Centipede - Arthur  
and Cohan  
Dragonfly - Joshua  
Mushroom - Willow  
Clover - Lydia

### Year 5



Year 5 created a model of the earth, sun and the moon with their orbits.

### Year 6



Year 6 showed resilience and methodical thinking when problem solving. Some great thinking, teamwork and recording strategies shown.

**Week beginning 24.11.25**

Robin - Zoe  
Goldfinch - Harrison  
Butterfly - Aoife  
Sunflower - Emilia T  
Centipede - James  
Dragonfly - Grace  
Mushroom - Effie  
Clover - Sophie