



GG News

27th February 2026

It has been so lovely to welcome the children back after half term, along with the appearance of some sunshine, has made for a great week! We have certainly 'hit the ground running' this week. Our choir went to the O2 in London on Tuesday to perform as part of the Young Voices choir – a most incredible experience for them, which they will remember for many years.

The football and netball teams have been in action once again. Both teams played well and we are proud of how well they represented our school. It has been a pleasure, as always, to meet you at parent's evenings – thank you for taking the time to come. The book fair at parent's evening was a roaring success and will be open after school on Friday and Monday, too. Please aim to pay by card/Apple Pay as we will have limited cash available.

PPA Days for this term.



5 th June	Year 1
12 th June	Year 2
19 th June	Year 5
26 th June	Year R
3 rd July	Year 6
10 th July	Year 3
17 th July	Year 4

Star of the week

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| 1HK Robin | 1KM Penny | 2CA Ollie | 2MC Rohan |
| 3VW Hannah | 3HC Georgia | 4KC Dominic | 4TF Kaysen |
| 5RD Rosiee | 5CT Phoebe | 6HB Brody | 6BA Connor |

Attendance



The class with the highest attendance in the past week:
1HK 97.2% (they will have 15 minutes choice of a treat next week).

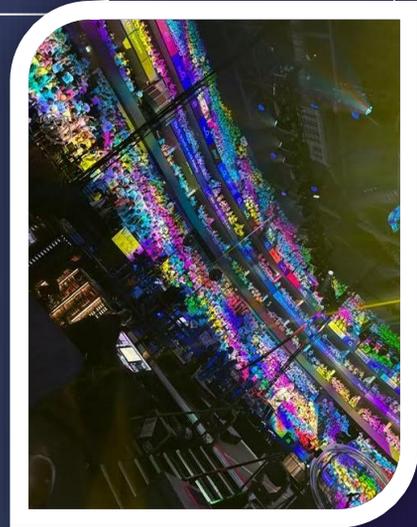
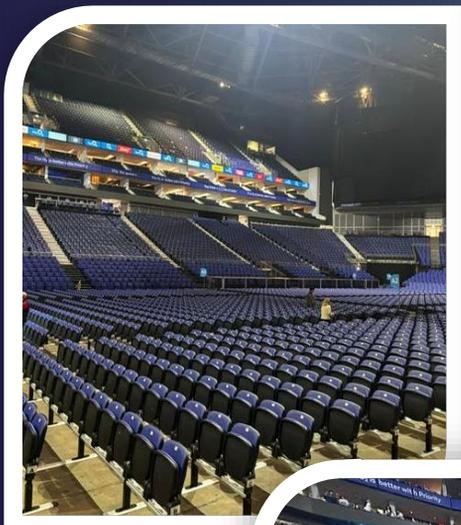
The child with 100% attendance in this last week, chosen by a random generator:
Lily R 4KC - she gets to choose a book from Miss Bowers' selection of prize books.



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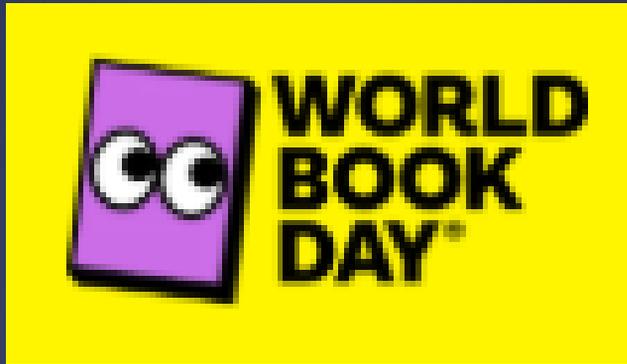
On Tuesday, our choir travelled to the O2 for the Young Voices concert. They spent the afternoon rehearsing with the other 7000+ children before performing to family and friends in the audience. An unforgettable night for them all.





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As previously advertised, we are inviting the children to come to school either in a book character costume or pyjamas (clean pjs with suitable footwear, please!)

We are expecting most purchases to be via the card machine (card/Apple Pay) so will have limited cash. If paying in cash, please try to have the correct change. Thank you.

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

Every book you buy earns **FREE BOOKS** for our school!

COME TO OUR BOOK FAIR

AND FIND YOUR NEXT FAVOURITE READ!

DOG MAN
Big Jim Believes
Dav Pilkey

DIARY of a Wimpy Kid
PARTYPOOPER
Jeff Kinney

POKÉMON
MEGA EVOLUTION HANDBOOK

Capubara Kingdom
Cara
The Shovel-Loving Capubara
Emma Young

The Scarecrows' Wedding
JILL BUNALBOUN, AXEL SCHEFFLER

TOM GATES
PESKY PETS PARTIES
Liz Pichon

DATE: **Fri / Mon** TIME: **3:30pm**

LOCATION: **School**

GO ALL IN.
National Year of Reading 2026



ART WEEK EXHIBITION

More photos showcasing our art week.





Oracy in school

During the last half term we have increased our focus on speaking and listening – oracy. We strongly believe that for a child to be able to learn to write well, they need to be able to speak well.

We invited a team from ‘The Philosophy Man’ to work with our children and staff on strategies to use to improve oracy skills.

Here is a report from Tom Bigglestone and Jason Buckley from The Philosophy Man, who came into school and led the oracy workshops with pupils as well as delivering staff training:

The Philosophy Man comes to Georgian Gardens (in fact, two of them!)

It was an absolute pleasure to work with pupils at Georgian Gardens. Miss Bowers gave a list of topics for each year group and challenged to come up with oracy activities for each one. A very fun task! And a real treat for us both Jason and I work together. A lot of schools only bring one of us in, but Miss Bowers was so keen for everyone to get a taste of philosophy-flavoured oracy, she got us both to come!

In Reception, we invented stories about animals down on the farm getting into sticky situations and debated how best to get out them.

In Year One, we co-created some more stories that led to juicy contestable questions.

In year Two, we were heroic adventurers having to decide how to persuade a dragon to stop tormenting the local villagers.

In year Three, we debated what the best part about being a Roman soldier was - land, travel or medical care?

In Year Four, we discussed what should be done with an undiscovered Egyptian tomb - should the mummies be left to rest in peace?

In Year Five, we tackled dilemmas from ancient Greek mythology about freedom.

...and in Year Six, we explored the very pertinent and timely topic of extreme weather and the extent to which richer countries should pay for the damage to poorer countries.

What really struck us was the pupil's willingness to put ideas forward and really get their teeth into juicy, philosophical questions. Such an intellectual appetite!

The staff Twilight session was just as fun as we looked at various different principles to help everyone find their voice in the classroom. Teachers were very enthusiastic and left armed with lots of ideas on how to embed opportunities for talk within their topics and we hear things have been going very well since!

Thank you very much to Miss Bowers and her team for inviting us in, and to all the staff and pupils for making us feel so welcome and so gamely participating in all of the activities.

If you're interested in what this all looks like in the classroom, plus some ideas useful at home, take a look at our special page on oracy at www.thephilosophyman.com/oracy



Just a little note to let you know we have the World Book Day Books here in Arcade Bookshop. We're looking forward to welcoming lots of children as they choose their free books! I may (I did!) have over ordered, so there's plenty to go around!

EASTER TREATS

Thursday 26th March 2026

MAINS
Cheese & Tomato Pizza
BBQ Chicken & Rice
Jacket Potato & Baked Beans

SIDES
Peas or
Seasonal Salad

DESSERT
Easter Cookie

Order via ParentPay no later than Thursday 12th March 2026

Please Note: Special diet meals will remain the same



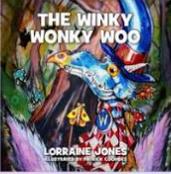

Arcade Bookshop

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR EVENT

HALF TERM FUN!
FRIDAY 20th FEBRUARY 10:30am

Local Author Lorraine Jones will be joining us to read from her debut book **THE WINKY WONKY WOO** and **THE WONKY FOGGY FOREST** 2 books in one!

All children will receive a copy of the book and a fruitshoot. There will be opportunity to design and draw your own creature or to colour in a picture of The Winky Wonky Woo.




Tickets limited, pop in to book or order via the website

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All families welcome Preschool - 11 years
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Wednesday 4th March
3.30 - 5.30pm

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St Peter and St Paul Church Hall
77 The Street
Rustington
BN16 3NL

1st Wednesday every month
4pm - 6pm | Church

3rd Wednesday every month
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

World Book Day (dress up)
Thurs 5th March

Book Fair Wed 25th Feb – Tues 3rd March

Parents' Evenings 3:30pm – 6pm	Mon 20th Oct / Wed 22nd Oct		*Wed 25th Feb/Thurs 26th Feb* Date changed to allow for book fair
Open Classrooms From 2:45pm	Mon 24th Nov	23 rd March	22 nd June
Sports Day KS1 am KS2 pm	Thursday 18 th June (back up 25 th June)		
Summer Fair 3:30 – 5:15pm	*** New Date ***		Fri 26 th June
Y6 production 1:30pm / 6:30pm	Tues 14 th July pm / Thurs 16 th July pm and evening		
Y6 presentation eve 6pm – 7pm	Mon 20 th July		

Reminder:

We kindly remind you that to contact a member of staff you can:

- speak them at the classroom door at drop off (be conscious that they will not be able to talk for long as they have to start the day promptly or at pick up).
- Call into the office to request an appointment to see someone.
- Phone the office to make an appointment.
- Email via the school office (this will be passed on to the relevant member of staff).

Please do not email after 5:30pm or before 8:00am.

Please do not use other messaging (e.g. Facebook messenger) services to contact staff.

CAR PARKING

Parking in the staff car park is only allowed before 8am and after 4pm (for HIVE / clubs)

Only permit holders / blue badges are allowed in at other times. THIS IS FOR OUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY