



BURMAN'S BULLETIN - 13.02.2026



R – Recognise your goals and reach for the stars! (Spring 1)



Golden Certificates



Well done to:-

Oak - The Owls will be enjoying a well deserved holiday

Ash - Sienna

Birch - Amelia

Beech - Eliana

Willow - Arjun

Maple - Joseph

Golden Lunchtime Behaviour:-

Well done to:- Faith (Beech) Always so helpful!

Bertie's Bonus

Winners

Maple & Willow



Dates for your diary:



- ◆ 27.02.2026 - Maple Forest School
- ◆ 27.02.2026 - Solihull Nurses Drop in for Parents at 2.30pm
- ◆ 05.03.2026 - World Book Day - Information to follow on ParentPay
- ◆ 06.03.2026 - Beech Forest School
- ◆ 13.03.2026 - Year 1 Mothers Day Afternoon Tea at 3pm in the school hall
- ◆ 19.03.2026 - Science Day
- ◆ 20.03.2026 - Birch Forest School
- ◆ 23.03.2026 - 1:15-3.15 Parent Consultations (Nest only)
- ◆ 23.03.2026 - Book Fair Open

Weekly Attendance



Well done to Willow this week For being Attendance Superstars, with an amazing 98.5%



Oak	Ash	Birch	Beech	<u>Willow</u>	Maple
91.2%	98.3%	96.2	90.5%	<u>98.5%</u>	95.8%

Well done to Willow who have been our Attendance Superstars this half term — they all enjoyed some lovely biscuits as a reward from Mrs Phillips.

Nursery

On Monday, we thoroughly enjoyed our session with Debroah Zebra from the Freshwater Theatre company. We enjoyed looking for clues from different nursery rhymes and we used them to tell a story at the end. Everyone was engaged and behaved so well. Well done Oak Class! We continued reading the story *Tiddler* and explored the concept of floating and sinking. Little Owls had a go at making a boat to float on the sea using plasticine. We decorated paper plate fish using different tools and techniques. In Maths we practiced counting out 1, 2 or 3 and understanding that the final number is the total of the group. **Phonics:** After half term, our sound will be 'u'. **Rhyme Time:** Next week we will be learning the Nursery Rhyme *Miss Molly Had a Dolly*.

Reception

Debroah Zebra came to visit us on Monday and we went on a story hunt! We enjoyed looking for blue clues bags, meeting Bid Bird and acting out a few different stories, using props. We have been reading *The Little Red Hen* this week and learnt how the farm animals were too lazy to help the Hen. In Maths this week we've been using balance scales to compare weight and we've used our prediction skills to guess which objects will be the heaviest or lightest. During Safer Internet Day, we discussed voice assistants and how they differ to real people. It was a great way to end the half term with Forest School, we had a wonderful time creating bird feeders and we are excited to see which birds come and eat them, when we hang them at home over half term.

Year 1 -This week in Year 1 we have moved onto a new genre in English; acrostic poems! The children have been enjoying reading them and making their own based on our text '[What Makes Me a Me](#)' which we have now finished reading. Maybe they could try writing their own acrostic poems at home? In Maths we have been partitioning into tens and ones, estimating on a number line to 50 and finding 1 less and 1 more of an amount. In Science this week the children explored birds in our local habitat by taking part in the [RSPB's Big School's Birdwatch 2026](#). In PSHE we have been discussing and thinking about what we have done well this year so far and how we managed to do this. In our RE sessions we have finished our final lesson on Judaism; Year 1 know a lot about different Jewish objects, why they are important to Jewish people and the celebration of [Hanukkah](#). For our final Music lesson of the half term, we all enjoyed a concert in the hall based on The Sound of Music and Favourite Things. A musical treat inspired us further and the children worked hard to perform as a year group. Well done to Year 1 for a fantastic week and half term!

Phonics focus after half term - /ee/ y (funny). /e/ ea (head). /w/ wh (wheel). /oa/ (toe), (shoulder).

Year 2 - It has been a very busy final week of half term. In Maths, we began the first part of our statistics unit, with the children creating and interpreting tally charts and block diagrams. In English, the children created persuasive leaflets to encourage people to visit Saint Lucia. They carefully selected images, researched key information about the island and worked hard to include persuasive features such as comparative and superlative adjectives, alliteration and rhyme. On Wednesday, as part of our Caribbean music learning, the children attended a steel-pan workshop. Wearing their very own leis, they learned about the history of the steel pan, listened to traditional music and even had the opportunity to play the instruments themselves—it was a wonderful and memorable afternoon! Well done Year 2, for all your hard work this half term. We hope you have a wonderful and well-deserved half term break!

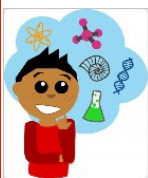
Forest School Update

Last week, Willow class enjoyed the first Forest School session of 2026 creating mini dens for the Wombles. The weather lent itself to puddle jumping, raindrop catching and swap stomping as well!



Other School News!

Burman Science Day



We are looking forward to Burman's next Science Day on Thursday 19th March. We are busy planning an exciting and enriching day. We would love to welcome members of our Burman community who are involved in Science related jobs (e.g. engineer, dentist, vet, nurse, chef, gardener) to come into school and share with the children. Please let Miss Jackson (Nursery) know if you would be available on this day. Alternatively, please email the School Office.



Our Holiday Club provider, LSC, will be offering an increased range of activities during February half term, including art and craft! Further details about the club can be found by visiting wearelsc.co.uk or calling 0800 032 1806.



We hope you all have a wonderful half-term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 23rd February 2026.

Parent Links

Little Wandle <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Solihull Family Hub

www.solihull.gov.uk/family-hubs



Join the PTA!



If you can spare any time to help with any PTA events please contact the office! We really appreciate any help. Thank you.

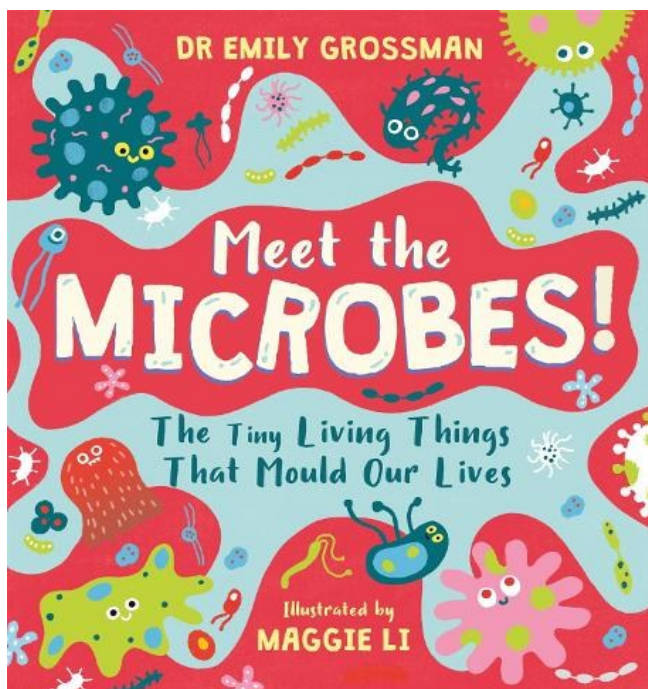
Books to Give a Hoot About!



This week we are hooting about...

KS1– Meet the Microbes! By Dr Emily Grossman

This is a non-fiction book that teaches children about tiny living things called microbes. Even though microbes are too small to see, they are everywhere—on our skin, in our food, and all around the world. The book explains that some microbes can make us sick, but many are helpful and keep us healthy. It shows how microbes help us digest food, fight germs, and even make things like yogurt and cheese. The book helps children learn that microbes are small but very important!



Next time... EYFS



How to encourage children to read for pleasure

2. *Start small, but be consistent*

To develop reading habits within children, Parents/Carers can start by setting smaller reading goals for children. For example, parents can ask them to spend 10 minutes daily reading a small piece of text or short story. This goal can be increased gradually until the child's reading habit is developed. Parents can also create dedicated shared reading times in which both they and their children read (even short amounts of time can make a difference!).