

16th October 2026



I can hardly believe that we have already reached the end of our first half term of the school year. It has been a busy and rewarding few weeks, and it has been wonderful to see how well all the children have settled into their new classrooms and routines. They have been working incredibly hard, developing new skills, building their knowledge and embracing their learning. We are very proud of all they have achieved so far.

It was also lovely to see so many of you at our first open afternoon and during our subsequent parents' evenings. We always enjoy the opportunity to talk with you about your children, share their successes and celebrate their progress together. Thank you for taking the time to come into school and for your continued support.

As we reach the end of this half term, I hope you all enjoy a restful and enjoyable holiday, with plenty of time to relax and recharge ready for the next half term. A quick reminder that school will reopen on Monday 2nd November.

Mrs Irwin

My School Fund

We have recently been reminded about a fantastic scheme that we signed up to some time ago, My School Fund. If you, or any members of your family, regularly shop at Sainsbury's, you can sign up to My School Fund and select our school. Every time you shop, you can earn rewards for yourself, while our school also benefits. It is a simple way to support our school community through your everyday shopping.

If you would like to find out more or sign up, please follow the link below:

[Welcome to My School Fund](#)

OPAL- Outdoor Play and Learning

You may have noticed a new shed on our playground. This is an important part of our preparations for **OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)**, as it will provide storage for the wonderful range of resources and equipment we will be introducing to enhance the children's play experiences. From January, we will be rolling out greater opportunities at lunchtime, giving children more opportunities to explore, create, be active and use their imaginations through play. A letter has been shared with you via the school app, explaining more about what OPAL is and the many benefits it can bring to your child's learning, development and wellbeing. We are really excited about this new initiative and the opportunities it will provide for our children. We look forward to sharing more with you as our OPAL journey progresses.