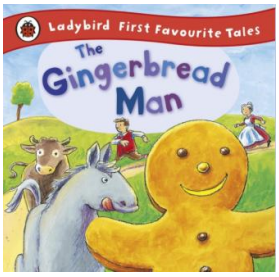
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Friday 6th November 2026

Dear families,

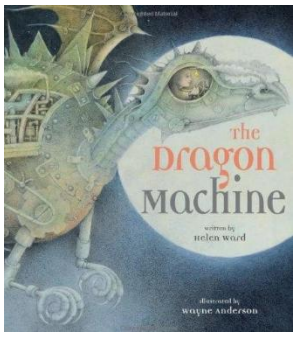
Welcome back to school following what I hope was a relaxing and enjoyable half-term break. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back and hear all about their adventures over the holiday. We are looking forward to an exciting and productive term ahead, with plenty of opportunities for learning, growth and memorable experiences. Thank you, as always, for your continued support, and we look forward to working together in the weeks ahead.



Reception have made a fantastic start to the new term with their new focus text, *The Gingerbread Man*. The children have enjoyed retelling the story and bringing it to life through role play and acting. Alongside their literacy learning, they have been having great fun in the role-play shed, where they have been busy making and serving hot drinks and cakes to their friends. It has been wonderful to see their imagination, creativity and confidence flourish through their play.



Year 1 have thoroughly enjoyed beginning their new English text, *Bog Baby* by Jeanne Willis. To launch their learning, the children used clay to create their own imaginative Bog Babies, bringing the story's characters to life. They then spent the week exploring descriptive language and finished by using a range of exciting adjectives to describe their creations. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm for writing.



Year 2 have made an exciting start to their new English text, *The Dragon Machine*. The week began with a mystery when strange footprints were discovered in the classroom, prompting lots of discussion and imaginative ideas about who, or what, might have left them! Inspired by the story, the children explored characters and settings before finishing the week with some fantastic descriptive writing. We have been incredibly impressed by their use of ambitious vocabulary.

Remembrance





We are incredibly proud of our School Council representatives who helped to clean and tidy the war graves this afternoon in Wroughton ahead of the Remembrance Service on Sunday. The children represented our school brilliantly, showing respect, maturity and a real sense of community spirit throughout the activity. They were polite, thoughtful and worked hard to ensure the graves were cared for to a high standard.

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Lockdown Alarm and Drill Awareness



On Monday afternoon, we will be holding an assembly during which we will briefly sound our lockdown alarm so that children can become familiar with how it differs from the fire alarm. We will explain that hearing the lockdown alarm means children need to come inside and remain calm, still and quiet. We will also discuss some simple examples of situations where a lockdown may be required, such as a local gas leak, a hazardous chemical spill nearby, severe weather conditions, or an emergency incident in the local area that means it is safer for everyone to remain indoors. At this stage, we will not be going into detail about these scenarios, as the focus is simply on helping children recognise the sound and understand what they need to do when they hear it.

Following this, we will begin carrying out lockdown drills each term. Each drill will introduce a new element of the procedure, such as staying still and quiet, keeping away from doors and windows, and eventually moving safely from outside areas into the building when the alarm sounds. Please be assured that it is not our intention to cause any distress, and we will provide appropriate support for children who may be more sensitive to loud noises. However, as part of our safeguarding responsibilities, these drills are an important part of ensuring that everyone knows how to respond safely in an emergency situation.



Named Property Reminder

Please can parents ensure that all clothing, shoes, water bottles, lunch boxes and other personal belongings are clearly labelled with their child's name. Labels can fade or wear away over time, so we would ask that names are checked regularly to ensure they remain visible and easy to read. We also encourage families to check clothing labels when children bring items home, as we have recently had a small number of labelled items go missing that do not appear to be in school. This leads us to believe that some belongings may have been taken home by mistake. Your support in checking regularly is greatly appreciated and will help us reunite lost items with their rightful owners.

Christmas Lights Switch-On Opportunity



We are delighted to have been asked to select two pupils from Wroughton Infants to help switch on the Wroughton Christmas Tree Lights on Saturday 28th November. If you would like your child to be considered for this exciting opportunity, please complete the form using the link below. Two names will then be drawn at random from all entries received. Good luck!

Wroughton Christmas Light Switch On - Saturday 28th November 2026 (2 children needed) – Fill out form

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Children in Need

Next Friday we will be supporting Children in Need. Children can come to school on Friday 13th November dressed in their own clothes for a small donation. As always though, if your child feels more comfortable wearing their uniform then that is welcomed too.

Fundraising – thank you

I would like to extend a huge thank you to families for supporting our fundraising efforts in school. You have helped us raise £130 in commission via the Cauliflower cards Christmas project and £560 in commission from school photos! We are going to put this money towards revamping and improving our school library.

Reminders…

Stay and Play – Save the dates!

The dates for these are…

- Wednesday 3rd February
- Thursday 4th March (this is also World Book Day)
- Monday 12th July

Did you know?

Did you know that Wroughton has a food bank? This is open every Wednesday between 2 and 4pm at the Discovery Church on Markham Road. Did you also know that Wroughton Infants is a referral partner for the food bank? If you are in need of this support, please speak to our admin team in confidence who will be glad to help and make a referral for you.

Easy Fundraising

Thank you to those who are using Easy Fundrasing to help rasie money for Wroughton Infants. Joining Easy Fundrasing is completely free. Just buy what you normally would through their website and we get a little bit of cashback as a result. To find out more, click here https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wroughtoninfant/

If you would like to contrubute to our school in a different way, we have Amazon wishlists here…

EYFS book list - https://amzn.eu/9v35WIH
Year 1 book list - https://amzn.eu/hl2HqQZ
Year 2 book list - https://amzn.eu/7fPgDBj

Please feel free to share these with your wider friends and family too.

With best wishes
Miss James, Headteacher

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Are you friends?

Did you know that we have school Facebook page? If you use Facebook, please follow us here Wroughton Infants School - Swindon | Swindon | Facebook

Use of photos & videos during School events

Please be aware that you may take photographs and videos during school events such as Sports Day and Seasonal Productions, however they must be for your own personal use and not shared on any form of social media. Social media is defined as 'websites and applications that enable users to create and share content or to participate in social networking.' This includes but is not limited to Facebook, WhatsApp, Instagram, X (formerly Twitter) TikTok, Pinterest, YouTube and Snapchat

Wroughton Infant School and its employees do not give consent for any of our photos or images to be shared on any social media platform without pre-agreed consent.

Please see below for a 'cut out and keep' list of upcoming events in school. This will be updated weekly.

Term 2 **Value: We are caring**	
W/B 9th November	**Behaviour focus:** Lovely lining up • **Monday 9th November** – **Whole school lockdown drill** details above • **Tuesday 10th & Thursday 12th November**- **Parents'/carers' evenings,** 3.30-6.20pm • **Friday 13th November – Children in Need.** Children to wear own clothes for a small donation
W/B 16th November	**Behaviour focus:** Lovely lining up • **Anti-bullying week**
W/B 23rd November	**Behaviour focus:** Lovely lining up • **Wednesday 25th November- National child measurement screening for children in Reception**
W/B 30th November	**Behaviour focus:** Lovely lining up • **Friday 4th December – Carols by candlelight & children's enterprise stalls,** 3.30pm
W/B 7th December	**Behaviour focus:** Lovely lining up • **Tuesday 8th December- Reception Nativity Performance,** 9.15am • **Wednesday 9th December – Christmas church services for Children in Year 1 and 2,** 9.30am • **Thursday 10th December – Reception Nativity performance,** 2pm • **Friday 11th December- Year 2 visiting Moormeade care home**
W/B 14th December	**Behaviour focus:** Lovely lining up • **Thursday 17th December- Christmas lunch, Christmas jumper day and Santa's grotto visits** • **Friday 18th December -Last day of term. School closes at 1.15pm**

N.B. Our term dates can be found on our website here https://www.wroughton-infants.co.uk/News/Term-Dates/

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Other posters/flyers we have been asked to share with you…



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Wroughton Infants School Open Days



- Tuesday 10th November 2026
- Thursday 19th November 2026
- Monday 23rd November 2026
- Thursday 3rd December 2026
- Monday 7th December 2026
- Wednesday 6th January 2027

Sessions start at 9.30am on all dates

***Max of 6 Families per session.**

Book your visit

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ATTENDANCE WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1 I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything.
Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine.
The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

£160



2 FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN.



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160

4 children & 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days

5 IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE 10 IN 10

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised. The school will consider prosecution.

1 Day = 2 Sessions

3 FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160

4 children & 2 parents = £1280

Reduced to £640 if paid in 21 days

4 If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

2ND TIME

2 parents and
1 child = £320
2 children = 640
3 children = 960
4 children = 1280

No discount for early payment



3RD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court.
A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 for each child

1 parent & 4 children = £10,000
2 parents & 4 children = £20,000