

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2026

## This week:

- ✓ This week, our Year 3 and Year 4 children enjoyed STEM workshops led by apprentices from Leonardo. On Tuesday, Year 3 explored the science behind helicopter propellers, learning about the important role they play in aviation. The children then designed and made their own propellers before testing them on a specialist wind table that demonstrated the effects of up thrust. Yesterday, Year 4 pupils discovered the programming side of engineering by using Bluetooth technology and coding software to control Sphero robots. The workshop challenged children to think logically, solve problems and develop their coding skills. Both year groups also attended informative assemblies, where they learned about current engineering projects taking place in Yeovil, as well as the exciting innovations that could shape the future.
- ✓ On Monday, our Year 5/6 Girls' Football team finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in their tournament, winning two, drawing two and losing only once – a super achievement with five girls making their debuts! Last night, our Yr 5/6 mixed netballers, played four fixtures, where they won two, drew one and lost one. The children demonstrated fantastic collaboration throughout, playing each game with fantastic attitudes. Well done to all of the children who represented us this week!
- ✓ This week welcomed the return of our Book Fair, inspiring children with a fantastic selection of new and classic literature. Thank you to all of the families who were able to support the event by purchasing books. Thanks to your generosity, the commission we receive will be invested directly into new books for our school, helping to further enrich our children's love of reading.
- ✓ Yesterday, School leaders met with our building contractors, Tilbury Douglas, where they received an updated progress report. The team reported the following highlights: first fit mechanical and electrical installations are in place, insulation and internal stud work continues to be ongoing, window installation is near competition and the external brickwork starts next week!
- ✓ Congratulations to this week's Learning Habits and Kindness award winners: [Achievements](#).

## Diary Dates:

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| Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October 2026                                       | Hello Yellow! Mufti day (Wear something yellow) |
| Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October 2026                                       | Flu Vaccinations                                |
| Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October & Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2026 | Autumn Parents' Evenings                        |
| Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2026                                   | Individual School Photos                        |

## Lateness:

A huge thank you to all families for your continued support in helping children arrive at school on time each day. Arriving on time helps children start the day calmly, settle quickly into learning and make the most of every opportunity. If your child is late on several occasions, their class teacher may get in touch to see whether there is any support we can offer. You may also be approached by Mrs Laverty, Mr Millard or Mr Heath on the gate so that we can work together to ensure your child has the best possible start to the school day. Please continue to make punctuality a priority. Just a few extra minutes in the morning can make a big difference to your child's confidence, wellbeing and learning throughout the day.

## Reminders...

- Contact the office, by 09.15, if your child is absent.
- Book all meals by Monday for the following week's dinners.
- Ensure all contact details are up to date on MCAS.
- Both of our school gates close at 15.30.
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