



Book Fair

What a successful book fair we had, with so many children finding great books to buy and read. As a result we were able to benefit from £407 in free books for the school. These will help to replenish our shelves with books that the children can then earn as rewards for regular reading. Thank you to everyone who came along, we will be organising another one in a year from now.

Swimming Gala

Well done to our fantastic swimmers who attended the gala in Midsomer Norton this week. They all tried really hard and never gave up. They were also really supportive of their teammates as well as the other schools participating. The team each received a certificate in assembly today for their efforts – well done to Chipi, Oliver, Isabella, William, Aurora, Jaxson, Sophia, Dexter, Flo W and Austin.



Christmas Tree Singing

We kicked off the festive season with a wonderful assembly first thing on Monday. Each class had prepared a Christmas song to share with the other children while the children got to hang a decoration they had made on to the tree in the hall. It was a great start to a fun-filled month of activities.

Christmas Crafternoon

This was followed by a lovely afternoon of arts and crafts alongside parents and families. A few photos of the afternoon are below.

Christmas Festival

The next part of our festive celebrations is our annual Christmas festival and tree-selling tomorrow from 10:00am. Last year we had to move the event to the Sunday due to high winds and although the weather isn't forecast to be quite as bad tomorrow, it still looks like it might be a wet and windy day, so wrap up warm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mr Turull



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Notices

Christmas Fair - Please join us on the 6th December from 10am-2pm for our Christmas Fair. We will have our Christmas Trees to purchase, Christmas market to browse & our magical Santa's Grotto.

Pantomime - We still have a number of outstanding payment and consents for the whole school pantomime trip. Please provide this via Parent Pay.

School Grid - Everyone should now have received a welcome email to our new lunchtime platform School Grid. You are able to book your child's lunches for next term through this system. It is important that you log into this asap to get your system up and running. Any issues please contact the office.

Christmas Cards - A reminder to add the class name to the envelope of the christmas cards. This way we can ensure that the correct card goes to the correct child!

FOLS 100 CLUB

The next round of the FOLS 100 club will be starting soon. Please join in by buying a number (or numbers) for the upcoming draws. Each number costs £15 for the year, with a chance of winning £30, £20 or £10 every month. This is a great way to raise funds for our school and have some fun in the process. Please see Katie in the office for a form. Thank you.

Top Doodlers

Doodle Maths

Kingfishers - Edith & Honey

Starlings - Violet & Freddy

Goldfinches - Kian & Amelia

Swallows - Dexter & Aurora

Top Doodlers - Starlings

Doodle Tables

Goldfinches - Darcey T & Viv

Swallows - Kye & Flo

Stars of the Week

Kingfishers - Oska

Starlings - Daisy F

Goldfinches - Harley

Swallows - Caitlin

Diary Dates

December

Saturday 6th

Friday 12th

Wednesday 17th

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Thursday 18th

Thursday 18th

Friday 19th

Christmas Fair

Whole School Pantomime Trip

School Christmas Dinner Day - Wear Christmas Jumpers

Goldfinch & Swallow Class Carol Service 11am & 2pm

Kingfisher & Starling Class Nativity 2pm

FOLS Christmas Movie Night - TBC

End of Term Two

January

Monday 5th

Tuesday 6th

Thursday 8th

Inset Day

Back to School

Goldfinch Class begin weekly Swimming Lessons

School Grid

We are excited to announce that we will be implementing a new software called for the ordering and payment of your child's school meals, starting from 6th January 2026.

With SchoolGrid, you can easily order and pay for your child's school meals with just a few clicks. To get started, SchoolGrid will be sending you a welcome email with instructions on how to activate your account and create your password - this will be sent to you on, or around the 1st December, so please look out for this. The cut off time for ordering lunches will remain the same i.e lunches need to be booked a week in advance and by midnight on Thursday. **Parents will be responsible for adding allergens on School Grid** - this will reflect in the menu choices available.

Please can we ask that any lunches that you may have booked for 2026 are **cancelled** within ParentPay as they will not be transferred to School Grid. **After Christmas, ParentPay will no longer be used.**

If you have any questions, or need any help with this, please come and see Katie in the school office.

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News from the Classrooms



We are talking about Christmas in Robins and have been making window displays and decorations. We have also enjoyed our Christmas writing station where we have written our letters to Santa and posted them in the box.



This week, rehearsals for our Nativity play began in earnest. The children already know all the songs and had great fun working together with the Starlings class. We also enjoyed reading Supertato: Merry Veggie Christmas, which sparked plenty of giggles and some wonderful writing.



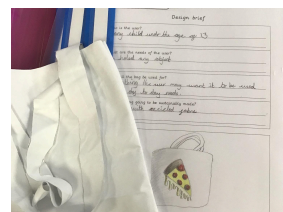
Following on from our history unit on Monarchy, in design technology Starling class have been designing and creating their own castle. The children have learnt about nets, how they work and how to construct one to add to their castle. We are very proud of their creations.



Goldfinch class had a wonderful time during the Christmas crafternoon, creating crafts within their houses and spending time with their siblings and family members. They made lots of beautiful creations and had so much fun in all the classes.



In Swallows this week, we have been working hard on moving our Design & Technology Tote bag project forward, and the children have faced the challenges of sewing their textile bags together. The children all learned something this week about sewing two pieces of fabric together and many of them are now thinking about what their final design will look like, and what techniques they will use to achieve that. Hopefully, we'll have them finished to take home for Christmas!



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LEIGH ON MENDIP SCHOOL

Christmas Festival

6TH DECEMBER 2025
10AM - 2PM

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE
SANTA'S GROTTO
ELF WORKSHOP
INDEPENDENT STALLS
GAMES & CRAFTS
FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS
RAFFLE

Santa's Grotto Please book in at the School Office. Limited spaces available on the day

Christmas Tree Sale

6TH DECEMBER 2025
10AM - 2PM
LEIGH ON MENDIP SCHOOL
LOCALLY GROWN
QUALITY NORDMANN
SUPER PREMIUM CUT FIR TREES

150CM - 175CM	£35
175CM - 200CM	£40
200CM - 250CM	£45

CASH PREFERRED
ORDERS ON THE DAY OR PRE-ORDER:
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