



We have seen a lot of excellent learning this week and on walks around the school, it has been great to see so many children working hard and collaborating well with each other. There has been a calm and focused atmosphere in every classroom and it has been lovely seeing our new Reception enjoying their first couple of weeks with Mrs Layland and her team.

We would like to remind you of the times at the beginning of the day, to ensure children are in school ready to learn with the rest of their class. The gate is opened for the Robins at 8:30am and children can arrive any time from then. They will need to be supervised on the playground until a member of staff comes out at 8:40am. The bell is rung at 8:45am and then children are taken into class and registered. Any children not in class at 8:50am are marked late on the register; the playground gate is also closed by this time so that children arriving then have to come in through the main gate. We thank you for your support in making sure your children are all in school on time.

Last week, we mentioned school uniform in the newsletter and we have been pleased to see improvements this week. Can we also clarify that the only jewellery that can be worn are stud earrings, although children may also wear a watch as long as it is not a 'smart watch'. On another note, the wearing of makeup in school is not permitted.

As you may have noticed from the Google Form sent home this week regarding permissions, we are trying to make things easier in terms of paperwork this year. In the past we have sent out a lot of letters, permission slips etc. and although sometimes we do need to send paper copies - such as the data collection sheets - the majority of letters can be sent online. We will be using ParentPay for permission for trips from now on, but will always email you to let you know when anything is put on there for you to consent to. We hope this makes things a little simpler for you all.

Mr Turull

Diary Dates

September

Tuesday 24th Flu immunisation for all years

October

Tuesday 8th Visual screening for year 1 children

Wednesday 9th Harvest Festival in St Giles' Church

Friday 18th Individual & sibling photographs

Friday 25th
INSET DAY
End of Term 1

November

Monday 4th **Start of Term 2**

Wednesday 6th Parents' Evening - more information to follow

Wednesday 13th Open Morning - Time to be confirmed

Wednesday 27th **INSET DAY - NEW DATE**

December

Thursday 12th Christmas jumper day

Friday 13th Whole School pantomime trip

Friday 20th **End of Term 2**



News from the Classrooms



Our theme this week in Robin Class has been 'all about me'. The children have been drawing pictures of the people that live in their house, we have had conversations about what we like about ourselves and we have spoken about how to look after ourselves during a baby washing activity.



This week's story time took us on a journey to a hedge in the forest where the animals are getting ready for the big sleep. We learned about hibernation, kindness and friendship.



It was so lovely for Starlings to be back at Wren Woods this week. They explored the woodland area to see how it had changed now it is almost officially autumn. They also played some forest school games with a new one being called 'Empire'.



This week, Goldfinch class have been learning all about sound. We wanted to know if sound travels through different mediums such as solids, water and air. We also wanted to know which medium sound travelled through the fastest. Why not quiz your child on everything they know about sound so far!



It has been another fabulous week in Swallows. This week we were experimenting with different types of media to recreate part of a retro futuristic space themed picture. We used pencils, watercolours and oil pastels to recreate different drawing techniques.



Notices

- **Data Collection** - This week your children will have brought home a data collection sheet containing all contact details held on record. Please ensure you amend and return.
- **Parent Permissions** - A Google Form link was emailed to all parents to obtain up to date photograph, IT and external visit permissions for your child. It is very important that we receive all updated consent.
- **Flu Vaccinations** - Please complete the flu vaccination consent form..
- **Inset Day** - Another reminder that there is now an inset day scheduled on **Wednesday 27th November**.