



Newsletter: 13th February 2026

Message from the Headteacher

This week has been a wonderfully busy and positive one in school.

We enjoyed two brilliant class assemblies:

- Birch Class shared their fantastic learning from their *European Journey* topic.
- Maple Class impressed us all with their knowledge about *Earth in Space*.

Maple and Oak Classes were delighted to be welcomed to Abbey Park School to watch their production of *Mary Poppins*. It was a great experience and a lovely opportunity for the children.

This week has also marked Children's Mental Health Week, and pupils have taken part in a range of class activities based on the theme "*This Is My Place*". We were grateful to have the Trust Mental Health Team with us, hosting a successful open session for children and families.

Our Young Carers met for their termly session with Mrs McLaughlin, and across the school we explored online safety in our computing lessons as part of Internet Safety Day.

A big thank you to the PTA for organising a well-attended and very enjoyable end-of-term disco, and to all the staff who stayed to help make the event such a success.

To finish the week with some extra fun, Ash Class enjoyed a *Roald Dahl character dress-up day* linked to their topic this term and the Early Years enjoyed a visit to the local library.

I hope you all have a wonderful half-term break.



Parking

We appreciate that parking is limited and pick up and drop off times can be very busy, but please can we remind parents not to use or block resident parking spaces and driveways around school and in the Ash Brake area. Please keep pathways and dropped curbs clear for pedestrian use.

Please also be mindful of our neighbours and the environment and do not leave cars idling.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

**Our Core Value this term is
Honesty
Our Assembly Theme this term is
Justice**

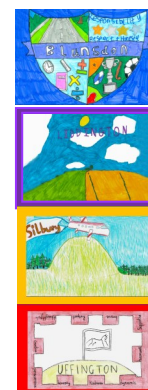
House points for this week!

Blunsdon: 123

Liddington: 125

Silbury: 198

Uffington: 153



Well done to Silbury for being this week's winners.

SCHOOL WEBSITE / FACEBOOK PAGE

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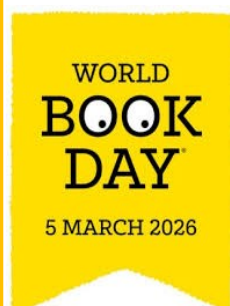
You can find all this on: www.bridlewoodprimaryschool.org.uk or [Facebook page](#)

Diary Dates

13/02/26	Last day of Term 3
23/02/26	Inset Day - School and Nursery Closed
24/02/26	Start of Term 4
24/02/26	Girl Guiding/Scouting Uniform for Thinking Day
27/02/26	PTA Meeting 3.30pm - all welcome
02/03/26	Y2 Cricket Festival
03/03/26	Class Photos
04/03/26	Parent consultations - school finishes at 1.20pm, Nursery open as usual
05/03/26	World Book Day (dress up) and Poetry Slam
10/03/26	Y1 Warwick Castle Trip
10/03/26	Year 2 Class Assembly 9am
11-13/03/26	Book Fair
17/03/26	Year 3 Class Assembly 9am
17/03/26	Junior Voice Festival 7.30pm
18/03/26	Rocksteady Assembly
18/03/26	Parent Book Look 3.30-4.30pm
19/03/26	Year 1 Class Assembly 9.15am
20/03/26	Y4 & Y5 Watermill Theatre Trip
20/03/26	Wear Red for Red Nose Day for £1 donation to Comic Relief
26/03/26	Production Club Performance to parents 6pm
27/03/26	Last day of term - school finishes at 1.30pm and Nursery open for morning session only (until 11.40am)
13/04/26	Start of Term 5

World Book Day Tokens

Children have brought home their World Book token vouchers this week. These can be used to claim one of a selection of free books from participating retailers (as detailed on the voucher), or can be used to redeem £1 off of a book costing £2.99 or more at our upcoming Book Fair from 11th-13th March.



Parent Consultations Nursery-Y6

The next parent consultations are scheduled for **Wednesday 4th March 2026**. On this day, school will be **finishing early at 1.20pm** in order to accommodate the required number of appointments for the class. **Nursery will remain open until 3.20pm.**

Appointments are for 10 minutes and will be held online as previously. A letter has been sent via ParentPay with instructions for booking appointments.

Please note: there will be no after school club on this day and if you have a regular fixed booking you will not be charged for this day.

School Meals

The menus for term 4 are now available on our [website](#) and on ParentPay for bookings.

Did you know you can book for a whole term in advance? Bookings can also be amended anytime up until midnight the week before.

As it is World Book Day on 5th March we have a special World Book Day menu. See poster below for details.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 5th March

Main 1
Hungry Caterpillar Hot Dog

Main 2
Captain Underpants Quorn Dippers (v)

Sides
Where's Wally Wedges
Peter Rabbits Carrots

Dessert
Charlies Chocolate Cake

(Jacket Potato Option Available)

FOOD & CO

Before Bridlewood Club (BBC) & After Bridlewood Club (ABC) Spaces

We currently have spaces available every day in our after school club. Should you wish to take up a place please contact the school office. Fixed bookings will secure the day for you every week and require 30 days' notice to cancel/amend. Ad hoc bookings are subject to availability and can be made a week in advance.

After school club is £10 per session, per child, payable in advance of sessions either via ParentPay, Childcare Vouchers, or via the Government Tax- Free Childcare scheme.

Please see the after school club page on our website for further details, including the terms and conditions of the club - <https://www.bridlewoodprimaryschool.org.uk/after-school-club/>

We also have a few spaces available on a Friday in our breakfast club. Please see the website for further information on this - <https://www.bridlewoodprimaryschool.org.uk/breakfast-club/>

Please email or visit the office for further information or to make a booking. Places will be offered on a first come, first served basis and will require the appropriate paperwork to be completed before places can be confirmed.

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day a great one!

WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS:

Being in school every day
helps children learn, grow,
and thrive with their
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Please let the school
office know by 9am
each day.

Phone: 01793 706830

Email:
admin@bridlewood.org.uk

Festival of Tomorrow

This week, our Reception and Year 1 children have been taking part in Bedtime Story Science sessions with children's author **Kate Claxton**, as part of The Festival of Tomorrow.

As part of these sessions, the children were lucky enough to be able to choose one of Kate's books to take home and keep! This wonderful opportunity was made possible thanks to very generous sponsorship from independent travel agents, **Swindon Travel Hub**, based on Devizes Road in Old Town.

We're so grateful to be able to share books in this way, and as a thanks to Swindon Travel Hub for making this opportunity possible, we're happy to share the company's details for anyone planning a family holiday.

You can visit Swindon Travel Hub in person on Devizes Road, online at: <https://swindontravelhub.co.uk> or find their latest travel deals on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/SwindonTravelHub>

For more information about The Festival of Tomorrow and all the free activities taking place throughout half-term, including a story craft session from Kate, visit: <https://www.festivaloftomorrow.com/the-festival/whats-on/>





HOLIDAY CLUBS

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DURING THE FEBRUARY HALF-TERM!

Our Holiday Clubs keep children active, safe, and entertained throughout the school holidays.

Join us this February as we offer a wide range of fun activities, including sports, performing arts, and games, all at great value. There's something for every child to enjoy this half-term!

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FESTIVAL OF TOMORROW
PRIME THEATRE

Where Science Meets Street Theatre

Welcome to Science Busking!

Monday 16 - Thursday 19 February at STEAM Museum

We're on the lookout for young performers aged 11-18 to take part in an exciting Science Busking project as part of the Festival of Tomorrow this half term!

Work with professional actors and scientists during half term to rehearse and perform a brand-new piece of spectacular street theatre - as part of Swindon's Festival of Tomorrow!

You'll be part of an ensemble group learning devising skills and creating costumed characters to share some madcap experiments with the public.

How do I take part?

To get involved, you'll need to be available for the full 4 days and able to work from a base at the STEAM Museum on Monday 16 - Thursday 19 February between 10am-4pm. Short street performances take place on Thursday 19 for everyone to enjoy. **You don't need any science knowledge to take part or experience in drama, just be ready to be part of a group bringing science by surprise to Swindon shoppers!**

Scan the QR code and fill in the form to register!
<https://forms.office.com/e/eaTQu5neqC>




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