



YEAR 5 LEARNING NEWS



Highlights of the Week

This week in Science, we explored the effects of air resistance as part of our Forces unit. To investigate how air resistance can change movement, students took part in a fun outdoor experiment. They ran around the playground while holding different materials in front of them and even changed their shape and size—such as making themselves “bigger” by wearing a coat.

We then compared how these changes affected their running time and whether increased air resistance slowed them down. The children really enjoyed testing their ideas and discussing why certain shapes or materials created more drag. It was a fantastic hands-on way to see science in action!

Week 11 Autumn Term
21st November 2025

In PSHE this week, we have been learning all about economic wellbeing. The children have taken part in thoughtful discussions and hands-on activities exploring how we spend and save money, how to stick to a weekly budget, and the important differences between borrowing and loaning money. The class has shown great enthusiasm and curiosity, asking excellent questions and sharing their own ideas and experiences. We're really proud of how confidently they are developing these essential life skills.

In Maths, we are continuing our unit on fractions, and the children are making great progress and growing in confidence. To support their learning further, it is essential that they continue to practise and secure their times tables facts. These facts underpin so much of their mathematical understanding and are especially important when working with fractions.

Regular practice at home will make a big difference—thank you for your continued support!

Information for Parents

- Homework is set on Thursday and due in the following Monday.
- Children should be reading for 30 minutes everyday and practising their times tables.

Key Dates

- 3rd-5th December - Sayers Croft Residential Trip
- 8th December - Christmas Shopping Event
- 8th December - KS2 Christmas Disco
- 15th December - Carol Service
- 17th December - Pantomime Trip
- 18th December - Christmas Lunch
- 19th December - End of Term 1.30pm

Our Gardening Club is in full swing, and the children are really enjoying getting their hands dirty and learning how to care for plants. If any parents are able to contribute, we would be very grateful for donations such as seeds, bulbs, small plants, compost, gardening gloves, or any spare tools suitable for children. Any contributions, big or small, will help our garden flourish. Thank you for your support!