



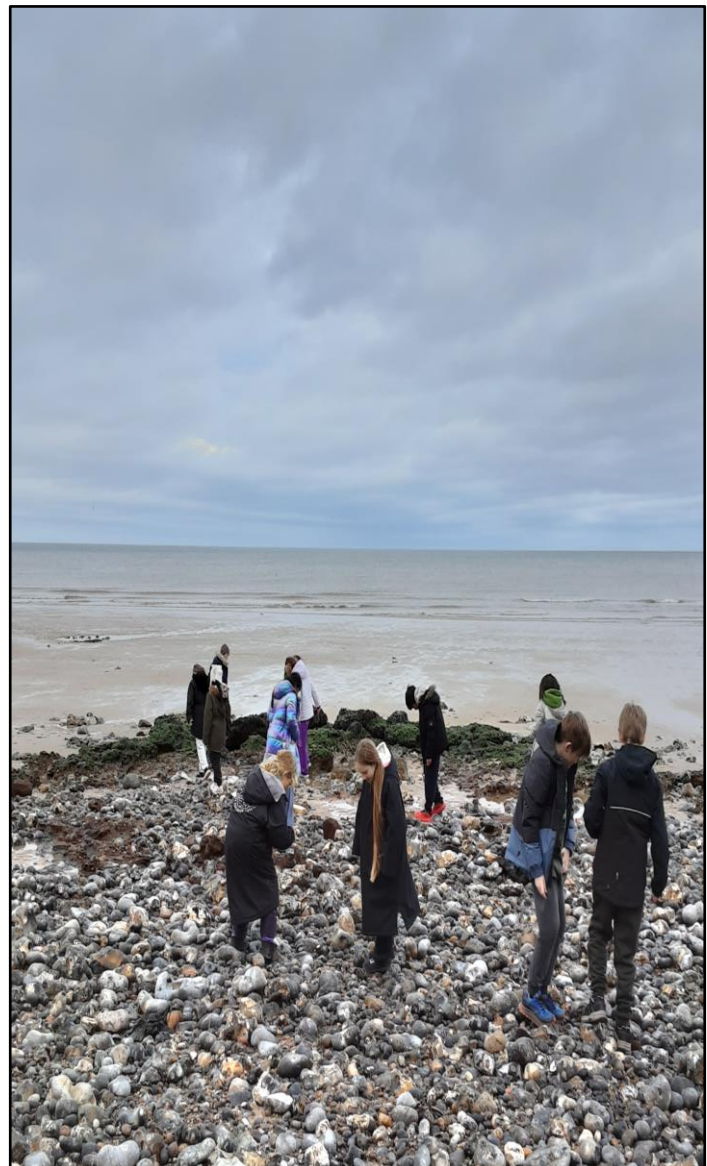
THIS WEEK

AYLMERTON

Last week, Year 5 went on a residential to Aylmerton. On the first day, they took part in team building activities and den building. In the evening, they went on a twilight safari where they listened to a story in a church and went inside a really old tree! On Thursday, they went to drive the boats on the broads, went rock hunting and had an evening story. They finished off their amazing trip visiting the seals. Year 5 had great fun!









**SEIZING THE
WONDERS
OF SCIENCE**

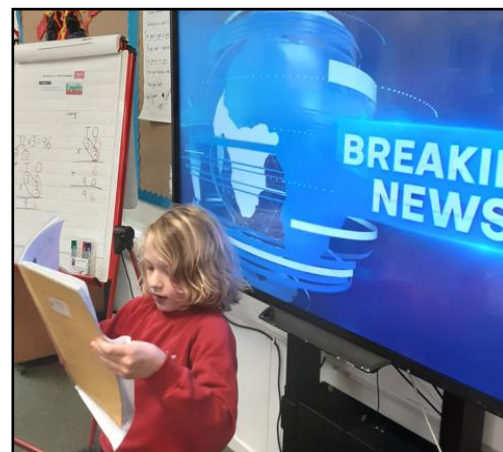
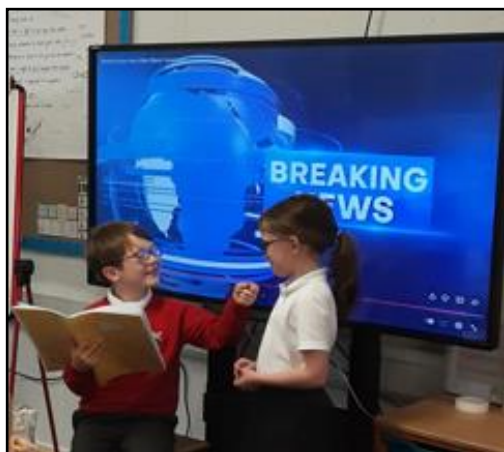


**Go on a
science
adventure**

The Aylmerton trip epitomises our dedication to children immersing themselves in the wonders of science.

NEWSPAPER WRITING

This week, Year 3 were introduced to their newspaper-writing unit. They took part in drama activities to help them get into role as reporters, sparking excitement for the news writing ahead.



POLICE VISIT

This week, Year 4 enjoyed a visit from two Police Youth Engagement Officers. They learned about the officers' role in building positive relationships and promoting safety and well-being. The children took part in an activity ordering the events in a Police Youth Engagement Officer's day and were excited to explore the kit the officers use, with plenty of curious questions throughout.



YOUNG CARERS

Our Young Carers took a visit to see Santa in the Belfry on Monday. They had great fun and were very excited to meet Santa and have their pictures taken. They received a small present and a great elf hat.



SCHOLASTIC

TRAVELLING BOOKS

Every book you buy earns **FREE BOOKS** for our school!

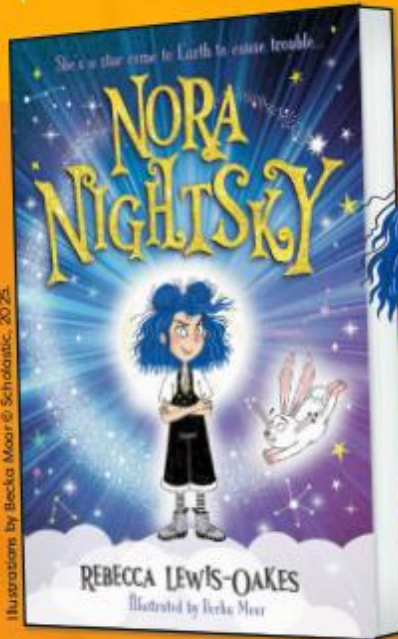
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BOOK FAIR

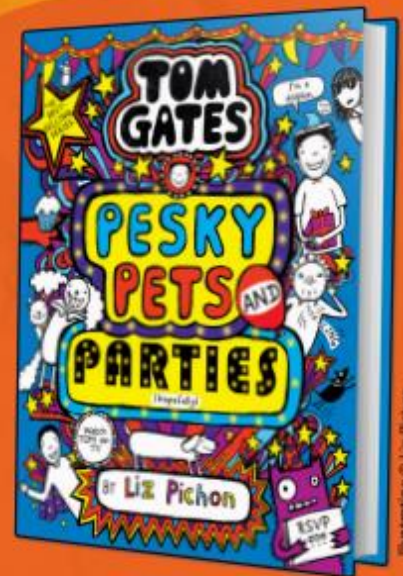


to spot the books you'll **LOVE** to read!

Come and find me!



My brand new book!



Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th after school in the hall.


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COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS



Date	Time	Notes
Wednesday 10th December	3:30pm - 6:15pm	Join us for Big Sing & Festive Fun. The Choir will be performing as will Elesha Moses, Christmas stalls and festive fun. Please wear your Christmas jumpers on top of school uniform!
Tuesday 16th December	During School Time	Whole School Carol Service (children and staff only) at St Matthew's Church. This is for ALL children (unless we have your form returned withdrawing your child for religious reasons). The children will be walking to and from Church. If you are able to help with the walk please let the School Office know. Please ensure children have warm coats!
Wednesday 17th December	9:20am	Year 1 Nativity Performance in the Large Hall.
	2:15pm	Reception Nativity Performance in the Large Hall. Children will return to class to change after their performance in time to go home at normal pick-up time. Please park considerately and keep our local roads clear for emergency vehicles.
Thursday 18th December	Lunchtime	School Christmas Lunch—for those children who normally have a school hot meal and for those who have requested this special Christmas lunch. Staff will also join. Please wear your Christmas Jumper on top of school uniform!
Friday 19th December 	Morning	A visit from Father Christmas for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and a special surprise in assembly for everyone.
	1:35pm	End of term for KS1.
	1:40pm	End of term for KS2.



School Term and Holiday dates 2026/2027



	SEPTEMBER 2026 Autumn Term 2026	OCTOBER 2026	NOVEMBER 2026	DECEMBER 2026
Monday	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Tuesday	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Wednesday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
Thursday	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
Friday	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Saturday	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
Sunday	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
	JANUARY 2027 Spring Term 2027	FEBRUARY 2027	MARCH 2027	APRIL 2027 Summer Term 2027
Monday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Thursday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Friday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Saturday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
Sunday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
	MAY 2027	JUNE 2027	JULY 2027	AUGUST 2027
Monday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Tuesday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31
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BANK & PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2026/2027

Christmas Day	- Friday 25 th December	Easter Monday	- Monday 29 th March
Boxing Day	- Monday 28 th December	May Day Bank Holiday	- Monday 3 rd May
New Year's Day	- Friday 1 st January	Spring Bank Holiday	- Monday 31 st May
Good Friday	- Friday 26 th March	Summer Bank Holiday	- Monday 30 th August

 Start of Term
 Greensand Collaboration Day

 End of Term
 Insets

 School Holidays
 Public Holidays

INSET DAYS 2026/2027

Tuesday 1st September 2026
Monday 26th July 2027

Monday 4th January 2027
Tuesday 27th July 2027

Friday 12th February 2027
Wednesday 28th July 2027

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon, Tue and Thu - Book Fair after school

Wed - Big Sing (Friends) - Remember your Christmas jumper!

Thu - Y2 Conquest Day workshop



FAMILY SUPPORT

If you need any support, please do not hesitate to contact us. We can help you source information about support through the right agencies, and make referrals ourselves to local support groups. Here are some of the things we have supported families with recently:

- School uniform, school bags, P.E. trainers and school shoes
- Pre-loved clothes for children
- Foodbank referrals
- Housing applications and letters of support
- Seasonal gifts for children

If you have any questions or would like to talk about how we can help, please contact Miss Kober on 01737 761254 or email familysupport@wray-common.surrey.sch.uk

CLUBS

Just a reminder that all club information has been sent via email earlier this week and Wray Common led clubs are bookable directly on Arbor. Clubs are a first come, first served basis and will be live from 6am. All external clubs are bookable directly with the club provider. There is no Microsoft Form to complete this year.

If you do not see the Wray Common led club you wish to book on Arbor, then the club is fully booked. Please email the School Office to be added to a waiting list.

Full club details can be found here [Wray Common Primary School - Clubs](#) including a guide on how to book.

COATS

Please can we remind you that as the weather is now colder, children should be bringing named coats in to school on a daily basis.



HONOUR BOOK

1LP	Annie	For super reflections and for thinking deeply in RE this week about what Christmas means.
1P	Ellie	For always aspiring to do the best with all her learning.
2T	Aarib	For his positive attitude towards his learning and his desire to be challenged and to succeed.
2F	Sumeya	For aspiring to be the best she can be by independently using ENPs with 2 adjectives to describe her dragon.
3EM	Ethan	For always being an enthusiastic learner and contributing so many wonderful ideas to class discussions.
3F	Chester	For having a positive week and trying his best in his learning.
4B	Arlo	For his excellent contribution to our DT class discussions this week. It has been lovely to hear him showcase his knowledge.
4S	Poppy	For aspiring to be the best she can be by coming up with lots of creative ideas for her own 'Teacher Pleaser'.
5A	Olivia	For always trying her best in every lesson. She strives to be the best she can be at all times and is an amazing role model.
5J	Archie	For making thoughtful contributions during class discussions.
6C	William	For his selfless attitude, putting others first during PE lessons this week.
6F	Zoe	For always showing such a conscientious, hardworking and motivated attitude AND for offering to help and support others with their learning this week!

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

ELECTRICAL SAFETY AND DEVICES

Electrical safety is a vital topic for parents and educators, especially with the growing use of devices like smartphones, laptops, and power banks. Electrical fires are a major risk and are the cause of many deaths and injuries each year. There are reportedly nearly 20,000 accidental fires of electrical origin each year in the UK. This guide offers practical advice to help families and schools prevent electrical hazards, and promote safety when using everyday devices.

1 CHECK FOR OVERHEATING

Devices such as laptops, tablets, and smartphones can overheat if used for long periods or when charging. Ensure that children don't use devices on soft surfaces like beds or sofas, which can block ventilation. If a device becomes unusually hot, turn it off and unplug it. Overheating can lead to fire hazards if left unchecked.

2 INSTALL RESIDUAL CURRENT DEVICES

Ensure that homes and schools are equipped with Residual Current Devices (RCDs). These devices cut off the power if an electrical fault occurs, preventing electric shocks and reducing the risk of fires. RCDs should be tested regularly to ensure they are working properly. More information about RCDs is available from Electrical Safety First.

3 AVOID OVERLOADING SOCKETS

Plugging too many devices into one socket can overload the electrical system and cause a fire. In schools and homes, ensure extension leads are not overloaded and never 'daisy chain' multiple extension cords together. Educate children on the dangers of connecting too many devices to a single outlet.

4 POWER BANKS: SAFE USE

Power banks are a handy way to charge devices, but they can also pose a risk if misused. Ensure power banks are of high quality and comply with UK safety standards. Teach children never to leave power banks charging unattended, and to avoid placing them under pillows or bedding where they may overheat.

5 REGULAR DEVICE INSPECTIONS

Regularly check devices for signs of wear and tear. Frayed charging cables, cracked device casings, or devices that are slow to charge may indicate electrical problems. If any issues are noticed, stop using the device until it can be repaired or replaced by a qualified technician. This proactive approach helps prevent fires caused by faulty devices.

6 UNPLUG DEVICES WHEN NOT IN USE

Encourage children and pupils to unplug devices when not in use, particularly overnight. Devices left plugged in unnecessarily can overheat or become fire hazards, especially if left charging unattended for long periods. Simple habits like unplugging can prevent serious incidents.

7 USE GENUINE CHARGERS

Always use chargers supplied by the manufacturer or from a reputable retailer. Faulty or counterfeit chargers can cause devices to overheat, short-circuit, or even catch fire. Teach children the importance of avoiding poor-quality chargers, and regularly inspect charging cables for signs of wear or damage. More tips on safe charging can be found at Electrical Safety First.

8 WATER & ELECTRICITY DON'T MIX

Teach children that water and electricity are a dangerous combination. Devices should never be used near sinks, bathtubs, or swimming pools. Parents and educators should ensure that any electrical appliances near water sources have proper waterproof casings and are plugged into RCD-protected outlets.

9 KEEP DEVICES VENTILATED

Devices need proper ventilation to avoid overheating. Avoid stacking items on top of plugged-in devices like laptops or gaming consoles, and make sure there is enough space around devices to allow for airflow. Proper ventilation helps prevent dangerous heat build-up, reducing the risk of fires.

10 SUPERVISE YOUNG CHILDREN

Younger children may not understand the dangers of electricity, so it's important to supervise them when they are using devices. Keep electrical cords out of reach and always remind children never to put objects into electrical outlets.

Meet Our Expert

James Whelan is an experienced health and safety expert who is a Chartered Member of the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health. He provides services to educational settings as well as many other industries to help them maintain a safe working environment.



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Weds 10th
December



Main Hall
3:15-6:15pm

the
**Christmas
Big Sing**

+ Festive Fun!

JOIN THE FRIENDS OF WRAY COMMON FOR A
FEEL-GOOD FESTIVE EVENING OF
SING-A-LONG FESTIVE FAVOURITES AROUND THE
TREE, GAMES, RAFFLES, FESTIVE TREATS, MULLED
WINE, PERFORMANCES, AND MUCH MORE!

TICKETS
ADULTS: £5
CHILDREN:
FREE

DON'T
MISS
IT!

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Weds 10th

December



Main Hall

3:15-6:15pm

the Christmas Big Sing + Festive Fun!

Don't Miss the Main Stage!

- 3:15PM DOORS OPEN
- 3:45-4:15 ELESHA PAUL MOSES
- 4:30-4:45 THE WRAY COMMON CHOIR
- 5-5:15 WRAY COMMON CHEER
- 5:15-5:30 RAINBOW RAFFLE
- 5:30-6 THE BIG SING LED BY ELESHA
- 6:15PM FINISH

TICKETS
ADULTS: £5
CHILDREN:
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Non-Uniform Days

For the Christmas Big
Sing + Festive Fun!

Friday 28th November

SWEETS & CHOCOLATE

Friday 5th December

BOTTLES

FOR THE BOTTLE TOMBOLE! IT CAN BE ANYTHING - ALCOHOLIC, NON-ALCOHOLIC, BUBBLE BATH, KETCHUP... IF IT'S IN A BOTTLE, IT'S IN!

THERE ARE SO MANY PRIZES TO BE WON! DON'T MISS OUT! GET YOUR TICKETS HERE!

SWEETS OR CHOCOLATE DONATIONS! AS LONG AS THEY'RE PACKAGED, THEY'RE GOOD!

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