Week Ending 02.10.26

ELDERBOOK NEWS

What a week it's been! Our Animal Care students enjoyed a shopping trip to prepare for the arrival of our new quails. They carefully selected the supplies needed to ensure the birds have everything required for a happy and healthy home. Students demonstrated excellent responsibility and animal welfare knowledge as they planned for their new arrivals. Students had an absolute ball during our Whole School Sport and Leisure activities this week. There were plenty of smiles as students developed their scooting skills, challenged themselves with new activities, and worked together throughout the day. We've been making the most of the lovely weather and spending time outdoors whenever possible.

We are currently seeing an increase in colds and sickness across the school community. We kindly ask families to remain mindful of symptoms and support us in helping to keep everyone healthy by following our usual illness procedures.

Thank you for your continued support.



- **Andre**
- **Abbie**
- **Antonio**
- **Charles**
- **Chase**
- **Cobie**
- **Cole**
- **Damian**
- **Darcey**
- **Dylan**
- **Emily**
- **Ethan**
- **George H**
- **George T**
- **Harrison**
- **Hunter**
- **Isaiah**
- **Jack**
- **Kaine**
- **Kaleb**
- **Kian**
- **Kodi**
- **Kyle**
- **Laylah**
- **Leah**
- **Leo**
- **Logan**
- **Michael**
- **Mikey**
- **Nicholas**
- **Noah E**
- **Olivia**
- **Toby**
- **Tyler**
- **Vinnie**
- **Xander**



- **Learners achieving 90% or more in their lesson engagement**
  Andre, Kian, Nicholas, Toby, Xander, Ethan, Noah B, Kodi, Laylah, Olivia, Leah, Dyan & Charles

- **Learners achieving 80% - 90% or more in their lesson engagement**
  Joe, Michael, Damian, Cyrus, George H, Logan, Daisy, Darcey, Emily, Harrison, Isaiah, Nicolai, Zane, George T, Noah E & Mason

- **Learners achieving 70% - 80% or more in their lesson engagement**
  Abbie, Leon, Benson, Mikey, Kaleb, Ryan, Jack, Leo & Cobie

DATES TO REMEMBER

October:
5th – 9th – Readathon week
16th – Break up for half term holiday – 2 weeks
November:
2nd - Pupils return to school
4th – Parents evening – **please book a time slot with Sadie (3pm-6pm)**

Readathon next week!

See letter attached
£2.50 donation and pyjamas!

Total raised for Macmillan last week £131.50!!!!

Voices of the earth (VOTE) focus this week: Humble beginning

The theme Humble Beginnings invites learners to explore the power of starting small, the value of perseverance, and the strength found in adversity. It encourages students to reflect on personal and collective journeys, examining how modest origins can shape identity, values, and aspirations. Through this theme, students will engage with stories of resilience, cultural perspectives on success, and the emotional and psychological growth that can emerge from struggle.

VOTE Question: Which of these buildings do you think is the most impressive?

Taj Mahal
Burj Khalifa
Eiffel tower
Buckingham palace

Kids say the funniest things

Written by:
Josh & Cobie Yr9

This week we made boats out of tin foil and tested how much weight they could hold by placing objects in them and exploring different forces.
In Forest School, we helped cut down small trees and spent time exploring the outdoor area.
During Food Technology, we baked cakes for the Macmillan Coffee Morning, which was great fun.
On Wednesday, we played our first football match of the year and won 2-1! ⚽ Isaiah and Noah both scored, and everyone worked really well together as a team. We had a fantastic time 🏆🎉

📱 iOS 27: New Child Safety Features

If your child uses an **iPhone or iPad**, Apple's latest software update, **iOS 27**, includes several new and improved features designed to help parents/carers manage their child's online safety and device use.

These include improved Screen Time controls, the ability to set limits across categories of apps, additional website controls and enhanced Communication Safety features designed to help protect children from inappropriate content.

For parents/carers, these settings can provide a useful way to create clear boundaries around how devices are used, while still allowing children to develop independence online.

Apple provides guidance to help parents/carers understand the available settings and how to manage them. There is also a short video that gives an overview of the new child safety features.

🔗 Useful links

YouTube – iOS 27 Child Safety Features
[Watch the video]

Apple – Child Safety
[Find out more about Apple's child safety features]

Apple Support – Screen Time & Parental Controls
[Learn how to set up and manage parental controls]

Take a few minutes to review your child's current Screen Time and safety settings after updating their device. Settings and features can change with software updates, so it is worth checking that they still reflect what you are comfortable with.