

Monday 3rd March 2025

Our half term Core Value is
Perseverance



Welcome Back to the New Term!

I hope you all enjoyed some quality family time and relaxation over the half-term break.

This week, we launched our new value of Perseverance. We explored the meaning of perseverance and drew inspiration from nature, using the example of how an acorn transforms into a mighty oak tree. We learnt that the Mars Rover is named Perseverance, a name reflecting its ability to overcome the challenges of the Martian surface, serving as a perfect example of our new value!

March 1st marks the start of meteorological spring, St David's Day and is also the first anniversary of our partnership with the Bath and Wells Trust Schools. We are thrilled to welcome new pupils to our school and community this term. We look forward to getting to know each of you and supporting your learning journey.

Finally, a thank you to volunteers who have been helping to care for and tidy our school grounds over the weekend. If you would like to get involved in our spring-cleaning efforts, please let Mrs Clark or myself know. Together, we can ensure our school is a well looked-after environment for our learning community.

Have a great week - let's make this term a wonderful one!

Mr Caswell

Upcoming Dates

Please see the following page.

Wraparound Care

Please see the following page.

Information on upcoming events this week and next

Cross Country Team

On **Monday 3rd March** our cross-country team will proudly wear their new team bibs, made possible by the fundraising efforts of Miss Brown last year.

Coffee Catch-Up

Join us at school on **Wednesday 5th March** after morning drop-off from 8.50am. This is a great opportunity to connect with Mrs Jaggard, Mrs Hallett and myself, with a focus on Emotional Literacy Support and Wellbeing.

World Book Day

Thursday March 6th is World Book Day where children are invited to come to school dressed as a character from a book. Please remember to submit children's entries for the **book cover competition** by **Wednesday 5th March**.

Pancakes

Join us for delicious pancakes available after school on **Friday 7th March**, courtesy of our fabulous FONS team!

Class sharing afternoon next week

Opportunities for pupils to share their learning with you and for you to engage with their classroom experiences. **Tuesday 11th March** (exact times TBC)

Upcoming Dates

Fridays until 28th March - Year 3 & 4 swimming

Monday 3rd March - Cross Country at Aldon Hill

Wednesday 5th March (8.50am) - Rearranged date for coffee catch-up now in Norton School Hall

Thursday 6th March— World Book Day— Dress up as a book character and book cover competition.

Friday 7th March—FONS pancakes

Monday 10th March (4.00 pm) Year 6 SATS Information Session at Norton

Tuesday 11th March —Sharing afternoon

Monday 17th March— Easter Garden/Bonnet competition launch

Tuesday 18th March— Build it like Brunel workshop for Rowan Class

Friday 21st March— Red Nose Day

Thursday 27th March— Parents Evening 1.30pm-6:30 pm

Friday 28th March— FONS Easter Fair 3 pm

Monday 31 st March— Awards Assembly 9.00-9.30 am

Wraparound Care

Every day from 7.45am with breakfast option until 8.30am.

*5.00pm pickup available Mon - Wed
(book through the pro-coaching site)*

Afterschool clubs until 4.05pm

Monday: Dodgeball

Tuesday: MultiSports

Wednesday: Archery

Thursday:

School run clubs available via ParentPay



This week I am signposting to BBC bitesize which has a parents' toolkit section with loads of useful tips and FREE resources on a wide range of topics. Here is just one as an example.



[Parents' Toolkit - BBC Bitesize](#)

Happy Family Eating...a fun guide for parents to take control of mealtimes, snacks and 'fussy eating'

Research shows food can have an impact on our child's mood, their sleep and concentration, as well as their weight and overall health. As a parent, there are some simple ways you can encourage healthy eating habits in your children, to make eating together more fun, and help everyone to feel good, without needing to spend lots of money.

BBC Bitesize Parents' Toolkit has put together a series of articles and activities you can try with your kids at home. You can find links to these below.

We've tried these resources out with a group of families and their responses and feedback are included in these articles. One of the participants, mum Priya, says: "Having the tools and different activities, helped us to [find] fun ways to introduce healthy eating, and also build healthy habits, and lead happy lives!"

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