



School Newsletter

Attendance this week

Full School

94.23%

EYFS/KS1 best attenders

RCM

98.61%

KS2 best attenders

4MH

96.55%

A Message from Miss Pitts

It has been great this week to see the engagement from pupils in Maths lessons. Pupils join in with learning and contribute their thoughts and ideas to class discussions to secure their knowledge of different areas. There is a real sense of enjoyment from pupils who have daily times table lessons and progress in this is evident from the scores they are achieving in weekly Soundchecks on Times Table Rock Stars.

We are looking forward to welcoming parents/carers into school next Friday to decorate Christmas tree decorations with your children. It is always a fun and festive afternoon in the classrooms, which pupils and staff enjoy. We hope you can join us for this. A letter with more details has been sent out via Arbor.

Miss Pitts,
Principal



Griffin's Instagram

Contact Us

Call 01482 794122

Select **option 1** to report absences.

Select **option 2** to speak to a member of staff.

Email:

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Important Information

School doors open at 8.40am.

School ends at 3.30pm, except on a Thursday when it ends at 1.50pm.

Gates open at 8.30am and 3.10pm daily.

Gates close at 8.55am daily.

On Thursday, gates open at 1.25pm.

School Doors

- Red Door - Reception
- Green Door - Year 1 and 2
- Yellow Door - Year 3 and 4JL
- White Door - 4SS
- Blue Door - Year 5 and 6

Times Table Fact of the Week

Our Times Table fact of the week is ...

$$12 \times 5 = 60 \quad 60 \div 5 = 12$$

$$5 \times 12 = 60 \quad 60 \div 12 = 5$$

Griffin Values

The focus for the week after half term is:

Respect

Punctuality

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time so they do not miss any of their learning.

End of term

The Christmas holidays start on Friday 19th December 2025.

Christmas events

10/12/25	West Midlands Theatre Group performing a panto in school
12/12/25	Afternoon. Parents invited into school to help decorate Christmas decorations with their child. A letter has been sent via Arbor about this.
16/12/25	1.30-2.15pm Year 5 and 6 Christmas carol concert.
16/12/25	2.30-3.15pm Year 3 and 4 Christmas carol concert.
17/12/25	9.15-10.00am EYFS Christmas carol concert.
17/12/25	10.15-11.00am Year 1 and 2 Christmas carol concert.
18/12/25	Christmas lunch (pupils only). Christmas jumper day.
19/12/25	Christmas parties.

Reading Corner

Thank you for sharing your favourite books at our open classrooms event last week. I'd like to share some recommendations for you to read or maybe put on your Christmas list!

For children:

Father Christmas needs a wee - Nicholas Allen
Matilda - Roald Dahl
Tom Gates: Happy to help - Liz Pichon
Dog Man - Dav Pilkey
The World's Worst Children - David Walliams
The Enormous Crocodile - Roald Dahl
Donut Feed The Squirrels - Mika Song
The Bed and Breakfast Star - Jacqueline Wilson

For grown ups:

The secret diary of Adrian Mole aged 13 ¾ - Sue Townsend
The Hotel Avocado - Bob Mortimer
Think Twice - Harlan Coben
Safe Haven - Nicholas Sparks
Fourth Wing - Rebecca Yarros
A Court of Thorns and Roses - Sarah J. Maas

Attendance this week by class

Nursery	88.39%
RCM	98.61%
RLS	96.76%
1CS	90.37%
1MM	91.85%
2KR	96.83%
2SS	96.58%
3DC	93.87%
3SH	96.43%
4JL	95.02%
4MH	96.55%
5BA	96.43%
5SP	96.43%
6AH	87.13%
6TW	90.56%
6ZM	90.64%