



# School Newsletter

## Attendance this week

### Full School

93.98%

### EYFS/KS1 best attenders

#### RCM

96.44%

### KS2 best attenders

#### 5BA

97.7%

## A Message from Miss Pitts

Today was our half termly attendance assembly where we give out 100% attendance rewards for pupils who haven't missed a day of school this half term. It is great that each half term sees more and more of these certificates being awarded. I hope that will continue after the half term holiday.

Our aim is to continue improving our attendance across the whole school, and I am pleased that we are very close to being over 94% for the whole school. With your support in sending your child to school, we will be able to achieve this before Easter. Thank you for your support with attendance.

I hope you all have an enjoyable half term holiday. Pupils return to school on Monday 23rd February 2026, gates opening at 8.30am and doors at 8.40am.



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.

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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
- Blue Door - 4MH; Year 5 and 6
- Quad Door - Year 5

## Attendance this week by class

Nursery 84.26%

RCM 96.44%

RLS 89.78%

1CS 91.19%

1MM 90.74%

2KR 96.43%

2SS 91.45%

3DC 91.95%

3SH 93.65%

4JL 95.79%

4MH 96.17%

5BA 97.7%

5SP 94.84%

6AH 94.74%

6TW 91.11%

6ZM 97.66%

## World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March 2026.

The focus book this year is The Turtle Who Turned The Tide. We are therefore asking children to come dressed as an animal from the book. Think crabs, lizards, toucans, all variety of apes and monkeys, tapier, sloth and coatl!

We welcome favourite book characters too - we want to enjoy the day and celebrate reading!

## PE days - Spring Term 2 2026

MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI
1CS	RCM	RLS		2SS
1MM	5SP	Year 6		2KR
4JL	5BA			3SH
4MH				3DC

## Times Table Fact of the Week

Our Times Table fact of the week is ...

$$6 \times 6 = 36 \quad 36 \div 6 = 6$$

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## Griffin Values

The focus for next week is:

**Respect**

## Reading Corner

### Reading with your child at home

Read favourite stories over and over again. On later readings:

- Let your child pause, think about and comment on the pictures.
- If you think your child did not understand something, try to explain: 'Oh! I think what's happening here is that...'
- Chat about the story and pictures: 'I wonder why she did that?'; 'Oh no, I hope she's not going to...'; 'I wouldn't have done that, would you?'
- Link the stories to your own family experiences: 'This reminds me of when ...'
- Link stories to others that your child knows: 'Ah! Do you remember the dragon in ....? Do you remember what happened to him?'
- Encourage your child to join in with the bits they know.
- Avoid asking questions to test what your child remembers.
- Avoid telling children that reading stories is good for them.

## End of half term

The end of this half term is at the end of today Friday 13th February 2026.

School reopens to pupils on Monday 23rd February 2026 with the doors opening at 8.40am.