

# FS2 NEWSLETTER - WC 05.01.2026

## This Week

We have started phonics lessons in our new groups where we learn a new phoneme (sound) each day. We learn each phoneme by hearing, saying, reading and writing it. Fred the Frog joins us during phonics lessons where he awards a child with a medal that they can wear throughout the day.

We have settled back into school well after the Christmas break.

Attendance: class 1 89.6% and class 2 – 89.1%

### Next week

The children will continue learning new sounds in their phonics groups.

In maths, the children will be learning about number bonds to 10, exploring different ways we can make 10.

We will continue learning in our new topic 'where does the snow go?'



### Stars of the week



**Reader of the week:** class 1 – Archie and class 2 – Shay

**Writer of the week:** class 1 – Leo and class 2 – Paisley

**Mathematician of the week:** class 1 – Kaitlin and class 2 – Noah

Well done boys and girls. Miss Brook, Miss Brown, Mrs Barker and Miss Darbyshire are proud of you!

## Homework

Each Friday, homework will be handed out to your child. This homework should be completed and returned to your child's class teacher by the date stated on the sheet. Homework can be returned by uploading photographs to Tapestry or a physical copy can be handed in too.

## Reminders

Class 2 trip to Stocksbridge Library – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026 9am-12pm. Please let Miss Brown know if you can volunteer on the trip.

A reminder that PE days are Monday and Friday for both reception classes and children need their indoor (t-shirt and shorts) and outdoor PE kits (joggers, zip up jumper/hoodie and trainers) in school in case of timetable changes.



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## **ONLINE SAFETY**

The below has been taken from GOV.UK and is guidance based on "Support for parents and carers to keep children safe online".

While there are huge benefits to being online to stay connected to family and friends, the government recognises many parents feel concerned about the activities and content their children are accessing. This guidance outlines resources to help keep children safe from different risks online and where to go to get support and advice.

### Keep your child safe online

It is important to have regular conversations about staying safe online and to encourage children to speak to you if they come across something worrying online.

Talk to your child about the importance of creating a safe online environment, including keeping any log-in details and passwords safe.

The below resource is designed to support you to talk to your child about a range of online safety issues, set up home filtering in a child-friendly way and set up age-appropriate parental controls on digital devices:

Childnet has developed guidance for parents and carers to begin a conversation about online safety, as well as guidance on keeping under-fives safe online <https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/have-a-conversation/> AND <https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/keeping-young-children-safe-online/>