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Fortnightly message

On Tuesday - the 11th of November - the children and staff observed a two-minute silence, to honour, thank and remember our Armed Forces and their families, both past and present. No matter what they were learning or where they were, the children took the opportunity to pause for a moment of reflection and think about their right to be protected from harm.

Earlier this week, two photographers from Van Cols visited the school to take individual and sibling photographs. Please scan the QR code on the leaflet that your child came home with, to access a proof of their photograph and place any orders.

Both before and after the half-term break, we hosted another fantastic book fair, raising funds for the school to put towards purchasing more books for the children. If you purchased a book from the fair, we hope that you enjoy sharing it with your child.

Today, we all dressed in one item of spotty clothing *Showing our Spots to Raise Lots*, in honour of BBC Children in Need. Thank you to all who make a kind donation to the worthwhile cause. We are pleased to announce that we raised £100 for the charity.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Rights of the Fortnight

Article 27

You have the right to food, clothing, a safe place to live and to have your basic needs met. You should not be disadvantaged so that you can't do many of the things other kids can do

Article 30

You have the right to practice your own culture, language and religion - or any you choose. Minority and indigenous groups need special protection of this right.

Diary Dates

Monday 17th November 2025

Maths Workshop for KS2 parents

Tuesday 18th November 2025

Year 4 Cinema trip

Monday 24th November 2025

Maths Workshop for KS1 parents

Friday 28th November 2025

Inset day – School closed to pupils

Wednesday 10th December 2025

Festive Menu and Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 16th December 2025

Royal Shakespeare Company visit Year Six

Friday 19th December 2025

Last day of term – School closes at 1:30pm for pupils

Monday 5th January 2026

Spring term starts – School reopens at 08:45

Thursday 15th January 2026

Closing date for Primary School admission applications – Nursery pupils born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022

Nite Owls Visit Reception

To celebrate their learning linked to the story *Owl Babies*, the children in Reception had an unforgettable visit from the company *Nite Owls*. Two trained handlers visited the school with several magnificent owls who were ready to meet the children.

The pupils were fascinated as they learnt about each bird's unique features and habitats, and excitement filled the air when the owls spread their wings and flew gracefully across the hall. The children watched in awe as the birds swooped low and landed gently on their handlers' gloves, giving everyone a close-up view of their incredible wings and sharp eyes. It was a truly magical experience that left the school buzzing with wonder and curiosity about these amazing creatures.

"My favourite owl was Cookie, her feathers were beautiful" - **Alayna**

"The bird swooped right on my shoulder" - **Daniyal**



Related Right:

This learning experience enabled the children to develop their respect for the environment and animals that live in it.

They also extended and deepened their knowledge of owls, through real-life experiences. A great learning experience for them all!

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I have the right to an education which develops my personality, talents and abilities

Education should develop children's respect for other people's human rights.

Education should develop children's respect for the environment.

Children should learn about their own culture and other cultures.

Congratulations to this fortnight's commendation winners.
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World of Wonder

To launch their new book *The Wonder*, the children in Year 2 started this half-term with a stunning start all about imagination and curiosity!

Just like the child in the story, they went on a “wonder walk” around our school, exploring familiar places in new and creative ways. The children looked closely at their surroundings, noticing details they might not have seen before and viewing our school from a different perspective. It was a fantastic way to spark their imaginations and begin thinking like true “wonderers” as they dive into their new story!

“I wonder where the birds are going.” – **Ayan**

“I wonder when the school was built.” – **Aminah**

“I wonder why the clouds are white.” – **Nilda**



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**I have the right
to an education**

This learning experience linked with Article 28 (Right to an education) providing the children with an exciting and engaging learning experience that sparked their curiosity for the learning journey ahead.

Thought for the fortnight: We Will Remember Them. Laurence Binyon

Historians in Action

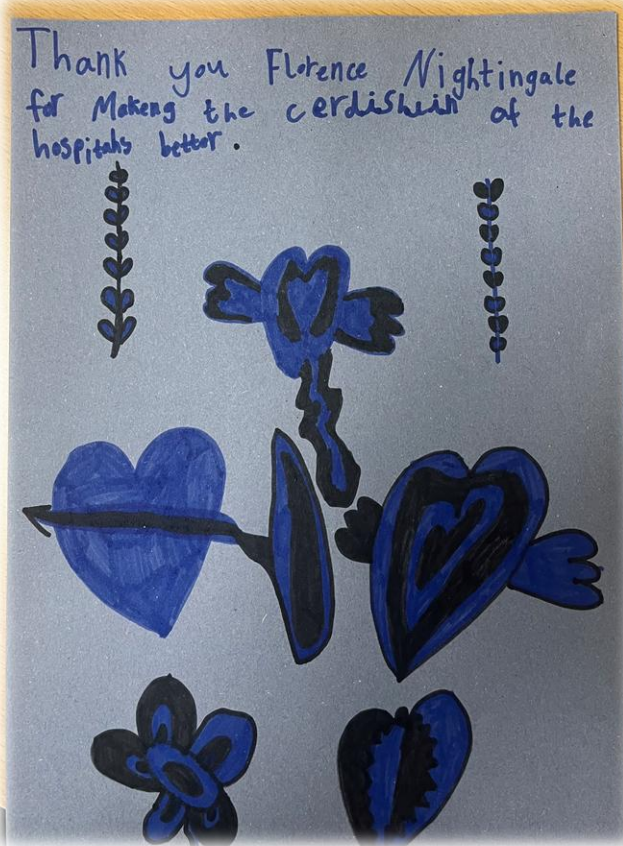
This half-term our Year 2 children have been learning all about Florence Nightingale, the famous nurse who helped improve hospitals and care for the sick. The children were fascinated by her story and enjoyed discovering how she became known as *"The Lady with the Lamp"*.

They took part in a range of fun and creative activities, including making their very own lanterns, just like Florence carried when she cared for wounded soldiers.

"I liked that she changed hospitals." – **Trinity**

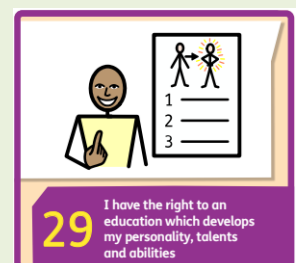
"She improved the conditions of the hospitals." – **Aminah**

"She saved lots of lives." – **Ahmad Shafay**



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Learning about a significant figure from the past supported the children to develop their awareness of themselves as individuals and how their actions, impact others. It also developed the children's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.



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Commendations

We are very pleased to be able to celebrate the children who have been awarded commendations, over the last fortnight. Many congratulations to all the children who have been awarded commendations for demonstrating the 5Cs.

		Week commencing 03.11.25		Week commencing 10.11.25	
YEAR	Class	Teacher Commendation	Peer Commendation	Teacher Commendation	Peer Commendation
Early Years Foundation Stage	N AM	Mokshith	Fayaz	Yusuf Master	
	N PM	Anisha	Dua	Essa Aneesh	
	RBH	Husnain	Yousuf	Hassan	Ayat
	RP	Fatima	Agnimitra	Alayna	Yash
One	1A	Whole Class	Maya	Ashmira	Humaira
	1O	Rut	Safa	Fatima A	Sanjida
Two	2AS	Isaiah	Sophia	Natalia	Andrii
	2R	Ayan	Mahbeer	Ianis	Ahmad Shafay
Three	3A	Amina	Alisha	Hoorain	Shreehan
	3R	Tyra	Yaqub	Faizan	Ismaeel
Four	4N	Advaith	Kaiyim	Taibah	Amirah
	4P	Haider K	Marcu	Whole class	Selah May
Five	5PW	Ayaan	Raafi	Whole class	Hannah
	5R	Arifa	Abdulrahman	Fawaz	Mohammad Safai
Six	6JL	Azaan	Ridhika	Madalina	Zlata
	6K	Shanum	Alex	Prangon	Haleemah

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Attendance Awards

Many congratulations to the classes with the best attendance. The attendance winners are announced in assembly every Monday.

Week commencing 20.10.25		Week commencing 03.11.25	
Phase	Winners	Phase	Winners
EYFS	RP	EYFS	RBH
KS1 (Years 1-2)	1O	KS1 (Years 1-2)	1A
KS2 (Years 3-6)	4P	KS2 (Years 3-6)	4N

Modern Foreign Languages (Spanish) Awards

Many congratulations to all the children who have been given a Spanish commendation. These children have been nominated by Señora Fitzpatrick, for demonstrating excellent attitudes to learning in their Spanish classes.

Class	Week commencing 03.11.25	Week commencing 10.11.25
Nursery	Essa	Musab
Reception	Yinuo	Ayla
Year 1	Lamaisah	Arwa
Year 2	Hayaa	Mirdhula
Year 3	Mahnoor	Shreehan
Year 4	Zunairah	Hanish
Year 5	Abdulrahman	Jagnoor
Year 6	Ruqayya	Ariya

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Music Awards

Many congratulations to all the children who have been awarded the Music commendations over the last two weeks. These children have been nominated by Mr McKevitt, for demonstrating excellent attitudes to learning in their Music classes.

Class	Week commencing 03.11.25	Week commencing 10.11.25
Nursery	Essa	Samrath
Reception	Yousuf	Ayat
Year 1	Emir	Ashmira
Year 2	Trinity-Rose	Shashwath
Year 3	Erika	Hisham
Year 4	Selah-May	Ben
Year 5	Fatima	Rafael
Year 6	Sameha	Sreeyan

Reading Awards

Week commencing 03.11.25			Week commencing 10.11.25		
Name	Class	Award	Name	Class	Award
Eesa	2AS	Silver	Nilda	2R	Bronze
Safiyya	2AS	Silver	Dominic	2R	Bronze
Lamar	2AS	Silver	Hayaa	2R	Bronze
Alisha	3A	Bronze	Jessica	2R	Bronze
Paul	3A	Silver	Bhavreet	2R	Bronze
Mahnoor	3A	Silver	Fatima	2R	Silver
Gurneer	3A	Silver	Shashwath	2AS	Silver
Gurnoor	5R	Silver	Lana	2AS	Silver
			Sahad	3A	Bronze
			Sanyukta	3A	Bronze
			Faiza	4P	Bronze
			Jayson	4P	Bronze
			Bilal	4P	Bronze
			Aminah	4P	Bronze
			Aminah	4P	Silver
			Noura	4P	Silver

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			Noura	4P	Bronze
			Lujain	4P	Silver
			Srinika	4P	Silver
			Haider A	4P	Bronze
			Wali	4P	Bronze
			Afria	5R	Silver
			Adi	6K	Bronze
			Sreeyan	6K	Bronze
			Ruqayyah	6K	Emerald

Parent Notices

Applying for a Primary School place

To get a place at a school in Redbridge you need to apply, **even if your child is in a nursery or infant class linked to that school.**

This means that parents of our Nursery children who are born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, will need to submit an application for your child to join Gordon's Reception, next September.

If your child has already started school, you can [apply to change schools](#).

If you're moving to Redbridge before your child starts school you need to apply for a school place where you live now. Then transfer your application to Redbridge when you move.

The application process is open now and closes on the **15th January 2026**.

To apply for your child's place, please use the following link: <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/apply-to-start-primary-school/>

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Don't miss the chance to have your child's artwork turned into beautiful Christmas cards, poster calendars, mugs, gift labels, our fabulous waffle textured tea towels, or our **brand new keyrings and fridge magnets, tote bags, and snowblocks!**

It's that time of year again and your child will either have already created their own special Christmas design at school/nursery, or will have brought the materials to do it home. This is a great opportunity to turn their creation into a range of professionally printed products, which you are able to purchase for family and friends this Christmas.

£1.00 from the sale of each product will go straight back to the school/nursery or PTA!

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- Tea Towels
- Cards With No Message Inside
- Mugs
- Gift Labels
- Tote Bags
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Please complete the form on the reverse of your child's artwork and return it to the school by the date printed - you will not need to place an order at this stage. Once we have received your form we will send you a text and an email containing your order link which you can follow to your child's ordering portal. From here, you can place your order and make payment.

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Special Menu

Christmas

Wednesday 10th December

Roast Turkey with Sage & Onion Stuffing

Halal Roast Turkey with Sage & Onion Stuffing

Vegan Cranberry & Roasted Vegetable Wellington

Served with Roasted Potatoes,
Brussel Sprouts, Peas, Carrots & Gravy

Dessert

Gingerbread Brownie

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