



NEWSLETTER 8 – 30th January 2026

‘Let your light shine’

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DIARY DATES

DATE	ACTIVITY	ADDITIONAL INFO
Monday 2nd February	Squirrel Class to Bowood	9am till 12pm
Tuesday 3rd February	Hedgehog Family Learning Afternoon	2pm (School Hall)
Wednesday 4th February	Parents Evening	3.30pm till 6.30pm (School Hall)
Thursday 5th February	Squirrel Class Walk Safe	In School Event
Monday 9th February	Owl Class to Calne Free Church	10am till 12pm
Monday 9th February	Dormouse Class Family Learning Afternoon	2pm (School Hall)
Wednesday 11th February	Parents Evening	3.30pm till 6.30pm (School Hall)
Thursday 12th February	Fox Class Taster Day to Hardenhuish	All Day Event
Friday 13th February	End of Term 3	3.15pm
Monday 23rd February	Start of Term 4	8.45am
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day	All Day Event
Wednesday 11th March	Movie Night	3.20pm till 5.15pm (School Hall)
Thursday 12th March	Hedgehog Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park	All Day Event
Thursday 12th March	Rabbit Class Field Trip	All Day Event
Friday 13th March	World Science Day	All Day Event
Tuesday 17th March	Hedgehog & Owl Cake Bake	3.15pm (Front Playground)
Wednesday 18th March	Squirrel Class Trip to The Ashmolean Museum	All Day Event
Thursday 19th March	Mole Class Family Learning Afternoon	2pm (School Hall)
Friday 19th March	Red Nose Day	All Day Event
Monday 23rd March	South Wiltshire Falconry Visiting Mole Class	10am (Mole Classroom)
Tuesday 24th March	Braiswick Class & Group Photographs	8.15pm onwards (School Hall)
Wednesday 25th March	Rabbit Class Family Learning Afternoon	2pm (School Hall)
Thursday 26th March	Easter Egg Hunt	9am till 11.30am (School Field) In School Event
Thursday 26th March	Rock Steady Concert	2.30pm (School Hall) for parents of Rock Steady children
Friday 27th March	Easter Service	9.15am (Church) All Welcome
Friday 27th March	End of Term 4	2.15pm
Monday 13th April	Start of Term 5	8.45am

Parents Evening - Wednesday 4th February or Wednesday 11th February

Parents' evenings will be held in the School hall where each teacher has a dedicated space.

Parents are asked to wait in Mole Class (entering via the external door on the playground near the small black gate of the corner of Mole Class).

Whilst waiting parents will be able to look at their child's books.

We ask where possible the children do not attend as they are unable to go into the parents evening slot with you.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Wiltshire's Children & Young People's Health and Wellbeing Survey 2026

Our school will be taking part in Wiltshire Council's Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing Survey between now and the end of term 2026. Children and young people aged 8-18 across Wiltshire will be completing the survey to help the Council and schools understand how pupils feel about school, health, friendship, safety, and wellbeing.

The survey is **anonymous**, and no child can be identified. It takes around 30 - 45 minutes and will be completed in school.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.



Reading Challenge

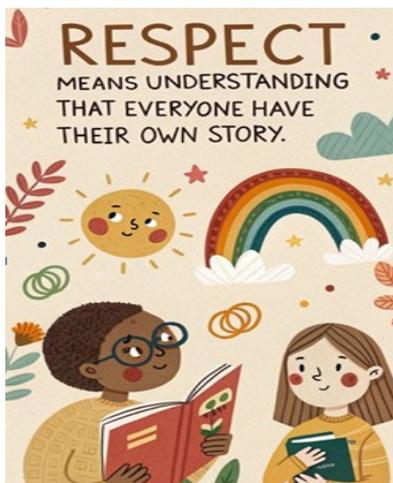
Due to its popularity during World Book Day last year, we are running a brand new 'Extreme Reading' competition.

We're inviting the children to capture a photo of themselves reading in the most **unusual, exciting, and unexpected** places. Whether it's perched on a climbing frame, bouncing on a trampoline, or somewhere completely unique, we can't wait to see their creativity in action! **The more imaginative, the better!**

Safety comes first, so we've reminded our children to check with an adult before choosing their reading spot. And this isn't just for the children—we'd love for families to join in the fun too! All of the wonderful entries will be displayed in school for everyone to enjoy.

All entries to be emailed in to the school office on admin@derryhill.wilts.sch.uk

Happy reading!



Please see the school calendar on the Derry Hill School website for more information on trips and school events.