



- We met with parents and carers at this term’s Focus Group, which takes place once a term to share school priorities and gather your feedback on how we can continue to shape the school.
- There is **no work or preparation required** to attend these sessions — minutes and full details of the next meeting will be sent in a separate email.
- You will notice some **changes to the newsletter** based on your suggestions, and we will also be using the **school website more regularly** to share examples of your children’s learning.
- **Next week is Children’s Mental Health Week** (final week of the half term). Children may come to school in **casual clothes on Thursday**, ready for the school disco after school.

Online Safety and Social Media SWGfL safe, secure, online

Social media is an online platform that allows users to connect with others online. Depending on what platform you use, social media can allow you to communicate and share information with others with the intention to update or engage a specific audience. This can often include sharing videos, images, status updates or posts with a group of followers that can sometimes cover a global scale.

A lot of the time, social media is a positive place where users support each other. Despite this, it can also house toxic and harmful behaviours, which can be directed towards specific individuals or groups with the intention to harass, or cause upset.

Benefits of Social Media

- 1 Available and accommodating to most audiences
- 2 Can promote positivity and healthy expression
- 3 An accessible platform to connect with others
- 4 An instant platform for news and global awareness

Considerations for Social Media

- 1 Harmful and offensive content may be seen across platforms
- 2 Can be used to promote misleading information
- 3 Can promote unhealthy expectations and pressure for young people
- 4 Can impact digital wellbeing if not managed correctly

Harm on Social Media

Many social media platforms have adapted to include reporting features in order to tackle certain types of online harm. Some of these harms to watch out for include:

- 1 Fake online profiles
- 2 Misinformation or fake ads
- 3 Scamming or fraud attempts
- 4 Radical online content

Socialising Online

Social media provides a lot of freedom in how to connect with other users as well as how information and content is made available. This has provided certain platforms with worldwide appeal, giving anyone an opportunity to connect and engage with others. To promote keeping safe on social media, ensure that young people know how to:

- 1 Report harmful content online
- 2 Block and report users who are being offensive or harmful
- 3 Manage privacy settings to limit exposure to known friends and family members
- 4 Speak to a trusted adult if they are concerned about something online

To find out more about Social Media visit the SWGfL hub: swgfl.org.uk/topics/social-media/ or scan the QR code

Further Support

Professionals Online Safety Helpline: saferinternet.org.uk/professionals-online-safety-helpline
 Harmful Sexual Behaviour Support Service: swgfl.org.uk/harmful-sexual-behaviour-support-service/
 Report Harmful Content: reportharmfulcontent.com

Professionals Online Safety Helpline | HARMFUL SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT SERVICE | REPORT HARMFUL CONTENT | UK Safer Internet Centre | NOMINET

Reporting Absence

When reporting your child absent from school, please provide a specific reason for the absence. General statements such as “unwell” or “won’t be in today” do not help us identify whether there may be a wider issue, such as a pattern of illness within the school. Clear information allows us to respond appropriately—for example, arranging additional cleaning if needed, as was required during COVID.

If no reason for the absence is provided, we are required to record the absence as *unauthorised* in the school register.

Diary Dates

9th to 13th February — Children's Mental Health Week
9th to 13th February — Tractors to School Week
12th February — Valentines Disco
12th February — Dress to Express

Half Term—16th to 20th February 2026

23rd February — Pancake Day Races @ 08:45
26th February — Bali Rai (Author) to visit school
5th March — World Book Day
18th March — Kestrel Class to SUEZ Recycling Plant
24th March — Owl Class to Abbey Gardens & Theatre Royal

Easter Holidays

30th March to 10th April 2026

16th April — Year 3 & 4 to Suffolk Farm Fair @ Trinity Park

Super Learners

Robin - Teddy
Finch - Greyson, Alice, Harlan
Kestrel - Reece, Olive
Owl - Logan
Eagle - Millie

Attendance This Week

Robin: 96.84%
*** Finch: **98.15%** ***
Kestrel: 92.14%
Owl: 97.5%
Eagle: 92.5%

Dinner Menu Week Commencing 9th February

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Monday	Panini
Tuesday	Meatballs & Pasta No Meatballs & Pasta
Wednesday	Roast Chicken Vegetable Fingers
Thursday	Hawaiian Pizza Margherita Pizza
Friday	Chicken Nuggets Quorn Nuggets French Fries

Also Available Daily

School Packed Lunch:- Baguettes/Sandwiches/Wraps
with Cheese/Ham/Tuna Mayo

Jacket Potato:- Cheese/Beans/Tuna Mayo

Selection Changed Daily:- Pasta, Homemade Bread,
Seasonal Vegetables
Salad Bar

DESSERTS

Fresh Fruit Platter, Fruit Kebabs, Fresh Fruit Salad,
Yoghurt, Jelly

Wendy's Special Desserts

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday