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## 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Spring Term No 5

Welcome to this weeks roundup. You may have seen in the news this week the discussions concerning **Benedicts Law** and allergy awareness in schools. As a school we were already aware of this proposal and as such, Mrs Young and Mrs Thundercliffe have been working together since the start of this year completeing additional training and creating new policies and procedures to be implemented in the new school year. You will be advised of any changes or additional preventative requirements in the summer term.

Safer Internet Day 2026  
Tuesday 10 February

### Safer Internet Day

Keeping your child safe online and understanding the ways in which some of the games and marketing works to affect your child's development is becoming increasingly difficult. We are doing all we can to support you and your child to be safe and therefore, Parents are invited to come and work with your child from **2pm On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February**. With the increase of talk from the children regarding inappropriate content now has never been a better time to take a moment out of your busy week to learn more about this important topic. Please meet in the hall initially (entrance at the side door). Thank you.

### Cowplain Evangelical Church

Thank you to Pastor Sam who came in to share with our year 1 children what some Christians believe about Creation. What a great discussion for you all to have as a family. What do you believe? Ask your child about the 7 steps to creation.

### March for Mind

On Sunday 1st March 2026, many of us from the Padnell team will be marching around our school catchment area covering 10km to raise money in memory of a very special friend and colleague who meant so much to us, the lovely Paula Dunaway. Mrs Dunaway worked with us here at Padnell as our ELSA for several years making a difference to many children and their families.

We would really appreciate any donations, big or small or if you are unable to donate right now, sharing our JustGiving page is just as appreciated.

[Padnell JustGiving Page March for Mind](#)

Thank you.

### Woodpeckers Parents Evening

Mrs Steadman Tippet isn't available for Parents Evening on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March. Therefore, Woodpeckers Parents' evening will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March. The Wednesday session remains unchanged.

### Online Safety Newsletter

Please see this month's Online Safety Newsletter.

### Breakfast Club & Kids Club Bookings

Please ensure you book your child into Breakfast or Kids Club. There has been a rise in children attending club who we were not expecting. This could take us over after maximum numbers allowed.

You are able to book Breakfast Club up until 11.30pm the night before and Kids Club until 7.05pm on the day of the session.

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Here are a few reminders for next week....



## PIPSA - Sponsored Bounce

There are a lot of permission forms still outstanding. The deadline is on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> February.

**If we don't have a completed form, children will not be able to take part.**

## Year 1 Wildlife Sessions

As per our email on Thursday, we will be welcoming a volunteer from Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital to come and talk to the children in Year 1 as part of our Joey's Field provision.

She has kindly filled the gap at late notice as our pre-arranged visitor has not been able to fulfil their commitment.

However, this is a charity, and they rely heavily on the generosity of the community to keep going. Therefore, we are asking if you are able, to donate £1 on the day to be given to the charity so they can continue to keep up their good work.

Thank you in advance for your support of this additional curricular opportunity arranged by Mrs Lelliott in her role as Forest School Lead.

## Wear a Scarf Day **SCARF**

We are asking all children to wear a scarf to school on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February as part of Children's Mental Health week. (we will remove these before they bounce!)



## INSET Day

Next Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> February is an INSET day and therefore school will be closed to children.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Mandy Grayson  
Headteacher



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## Diary Dates 2025 – 2026

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Deadline for Sponsored Bounce Forms		If your child would like to participate in the Sponsored Bounce on Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February, please return the completed Sponsor Form by the morning of Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February.
**Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2pm	Safer Internet Day	Whole School	You are invited to join us from 2pm on Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February for a short presentation and then to

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			work with your child in the classroom
Thursday 12th February	Wear a Scarf Day	Whole School	
Thursday 12th February	Sponsored Bounce	Whole School	
Thursday 12th February 3.05 - 3.45pm	Open School		An opportunity to look around your child's class and their books
Thursday 12th February	Last Day of Term		
Friday 13th February	INSET Day	Whole School	
Monday 16th to Friday 20th February	Half Term		School Closed
Monday 23rd February	Return to School		
Friday 27th February	Deadline for Sponsored Bounce Money to be returned	Whole School	
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day	Whole School	Wear pyjamas to celebrate bedtime reading.
Friday 6th March 1pm	Deadline for Parents Evening Bookings	Whole School	
Wednesday 11th March	Mill Cottage Farm Visiting Year R	Year R	
Friday 13th March	Year R Mother's Day Assembly	Year R	Mother's Day assembly for Year R

Friday 13th March	Year 1 Trip to Portchester Castle	Year 1 Parents	
Tuesday 17th March 3.10pm - 5.30pm	Parents Evening for Woodpeckers	Woodpeckers	3.10pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday 18th March 3.10pm - 7pm	Parents Evening	Whole School	3.10pm - 7pm
Wednesday 18th March	No Gymnastics		
Thursday 19th March 3.10pm - 5.30pm	Parents Evening	All classes except Woodpeckers	3.10pm - 5.30pm
Friday 20th March	"Fencing" Day	Years 1 & 2	
Monday 23rd March	Easter Magic Show	Whole School	3.05pm - 4pm
Wednesday 25th March	Easter Assembly	Children only	
Thursday 26th March	Egg Decorating Competition	Whole School	
Thursday 26th March 3.05 - 3.45pm	Open School		An opportunity to look around your child's class and their books
Friday 27th March	Last Day of Term		
Friday 27th March	Kids Club (afternoon session) Closed	Kids Club	Please be aware that on the last afternoon of each term, the after school session of Kids Club is closed
Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April	Easter Holidays		School Closed
Monday 13th April	Return to School		

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## **Parent Hub with our Parent Partner**

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
8.40am – 10am

Help & Advice on sleep, eating,  
behaviour, support, relationships.

Food bank info, community  
events.

Pre-loved Uniform, Coat Swap  
Coffee and Chat