

Badger Class Newsletter:

24th October 2025



That's it – we've made it to half term! It's been a long one but the children have worked hard and settled into the routines of Badger Class.

We hope they have a well-deserved rest and we look forward to seeing them at 8.45am on Monday 3rd November.

Attendance:

Our attendance this week was **94.81%**. Thank you for your support in getting your child to school, on time, every day.

Class Notices:

We have noticed an increasing number of children bringing items in to the classroom from home. Our school policy is that we provide children with bluetack as an aid to focus if a child needs something to fidget with. Unless your child has a specific agreed alternative, please support us in ensuring that other fidget toys are left at home. Children also do not need to bring in to school pens or pencils from home: we have a variety of writing materials that children can choose from in school.

DT next term: After the half term holiday we will be turning our attention to DT which is a textiles unit. We will be creating Christmas gift bags from upcycled t-shirts. Please send in a NAMED t-shirt for your child to use for this project as soon as possible. Suitable t-shirts are plain ones with no logos. Patterned t-shirts such as those with spots or stripes are also perfectly acceptable. If you have more than one t-shirt that can be sacrificed for our sewing project, we would very much appreciate collecting any spares you may have for children who cannot find any of their own.

Just a reminder that children should have a pair of wellies in school every day. This means they are able to play on the field at lunchtime. Please could they also have a plastic bag to put them in, so they can be hung on their peg. This helps to keep the corridor clear – not only does it look nicer but is safer too.

Mobile phones: We have been made aware that some children are bringing their mobile phones into school. Please remind your child to switch them off, and hand them to the class teacher for safe keeping throughout the day. They will be kept in a locked drawer in our desk.

Morning arrival: Please support us in getting your child in to school at 8:45am promptly. Our learning time starts at 8:45am with either maths or SPAG. Persistent late arrival means your child misses the important new learning that happens in this 15-minute time slot. It all adds up!

Homework:

A reminder of our homework expectations: **15 minutes of TTRS a week and 10 minutes of reading every day** (this includes you reading to your child as well as them reading to you). Of course, children can always do more of both!

This week **only 33%** of the class achieved their 15 minutes on TTRS and **only 41%** on AR.

Please encourage your child to complete their homework each week – it is so important and makes all the difference to their progress and achievement.

Learning this week:

In English we finished the half term with a creative writing project. We used a story stimulus all about a secret library and wrote a finding tale based on it. Why not ask your child what adventures Ayla got up to in their story?

In maths, we found factors of numbers, for example 18 has the factors 1,18,2,9,3,6, because:

$$1 \times 18 = 18$$

$$2 \times 9 = 18 \text{ and}$$

$$3 \times 6 = 18$$

We found out that some numbers only have 2 factors and that just because a number is bigger, it doesn't mean it has more factors!

In Art, we used the press print tiles that we made last week to create our tessellating bird pictures. It was a messy business, but we are very proud of the images that we created. We have also created a class still life composition that we drew, showing off all the drawing techniques that we have learned through studying the work of MC Escher.

Badger class webpage:

Please check our webpage for photos of our learning, previous newsletters and other useful information:

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Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
24.10.25	Break up for half term
03.11.25	Children return to school
wc 11.11.25	Parents Evening (more details to follow)
19.12.25`	Break up for Christmas holiday

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us via the Badger Class email; we aim to respond to all emails within 3 working days.

Kind regards

Mrs Davidson and Mrs Turner

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