

## Message from Mrs Butt

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope you enjoyed a restful break and are returning refreshed, ready for another exciting chapter of learning and discovery at school.

We ended last term on an incredible high with the inspiring visit from Roz Savage, whose courageous journeys across the world's oceans challenged us all to think deeply about what it means to be responsible citizens of the Earth. Her message about protecting our planet from pollution and making sustainable choices resonated powerfully with the children. As we move into this term, her words encourage us to consider how each of us—no matter our age—can take meaningful action to care for the world we share.

This ties beautifully into our new school value of Courage. Throughout Term 4, we will be exploring what it looks like to take on challenges, stand up for what we believe in, and use our unique talents to create positive change. We look forward to seeing how our children embrace this value in their learning, friendships and wider contributions.

We are also delighted to share some wonderful news from our school community: Mrs Seton and her family welcomed a beautiful baby boy this week! We send them our warmest congratulations on this joyful blessing and wish them all the very best as they settle into life as a family of three.

This week, we were fortunate to host visiting author Tom Allen, whose passion for storytelling and creativity inspired our children to pursue their own authorial ambitions. His visit has sparked great enthusiasm across the school, further deepening our love for reading.

Speaking of books, excitement is already building for World Book Day next week. We can't wait to celebrate our favourite stories together—and to see the amazing creativity that always make the day so special.

Meanwhile, something mysterious is happening in Aspen class... The "Keep Out" signs have certainly caught our attention, and curiosity is spreading quickly! We're eager to discover what lies behind the secrecy—so watch this space...

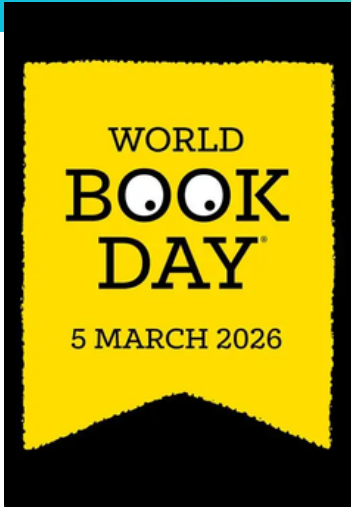
Finally, please accept our apologies for the slightly shorter newsletter this week. Owing to an admin absence, we haven't been able to include all of our usual updates and details. Thank you for your understanding.

We look forward to a fantastic Term 4 filled with learning, courage, creativity and community.

Warm regards,

Mrs Butt

# SPOTLIGHT ON



We are so lucky to have Barn Owl Books, Malmesbury join us next week to ensure that all of our children hear all about their amazing bookshop and provide each of us with a **FREE World Book Day book too!**



## World Book Day® 2026 £1/€1.50 books line up

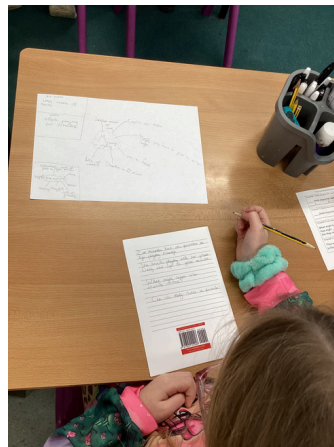
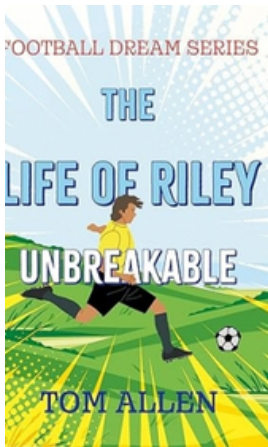


The reading for fun charity



This week we were thrilled to welcome Tom Allen, former primary school teacher and author of the Life of Riley series. His books follow football-mad Riley Adams and explore themes of friendship, resilience and coping with life's challenges.

Tom's visit inspired our pupils to dream big as writers, showing them how real-life experiences can spark powerful stories



**WORLD BOOK DAY**  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026

To celebrate World Book Day 2026, children are invited to come to school dressed in their pyjamas for a day of snuggly activities and cosy reading! They are also invited to bring their favourite book along for the occasion.



In order to inspire the children's writing we are also being visited by author, Tom Allen, on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February. Further details will follow.





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## FUNDRAISING



### EASY FUNDRAISING

Sign up, buy online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - and raise free money for BEDSA. And it won't cost you a penny!



### SCHOOL LOTTERY

Sign up to purchase weekly lottery tickets, boost school funds, win cash prizes. At least one winning ticket per school per week!



### STIKINS

Don't forget to order new name labels through Stikins using our code 35318

This February, easyfundraising are offering BEDSA a £2 bonus for each person that signs up with them on the app.

Just head to the App store or Google Play, download the easyfundraising app and sign up. With over 8000 brands, its simple to help raise money for Brinkworth Earl Danby's School Association for FREE!

**2025**

**A year of raising**

This is what one supporter could raise for Brinkworth Earl Danby's School Asso... in a year by shopping through easyfundraising.

Month	Offer	Brand
January	Book a holiday £50* donation	TUI
March	Upgrade TV & broadband package Up to a £45* donation	BT
April	Buy home insurance Up to a £17.50* donation	GO.COMPARE
June	Buy pet insurance Up to a £27.50* donation	LIVE LIVERPOOL VICTORIA
May	Upgrade a mobile phone Up to a £47.50* donation	Carphone Warehouse (Part of currys)
July	Get school uniform & shoes £5* donation	George.
August	Day out with the family Up to a £30* donation	trainline
September	Buy car insurance Up to a £17.50* donation	MONEYSUPERMARKET
October	Get a new fridge freezer £10* donation	Argos
November	Buy a Christmas tree £4.50* donation	B&Q
December	A year of weekly food shops £26* donation	TESCO

**Total £280.50**

\*Donation rates change from time to time. The amounts above were correct as of 17/12/2025.

### Did you know?

Without BEDSA's support, the trip to We The Curious this week would have cost over £30, instead of £15.

# DATES FOR THE YEAR

Updates in red. Install the School News app to receive news updates, details on our website [here](#).

PE DAYS	Beech	Mondays & Wednesday
	Elm	Tuesdays & Wednesdays
	Birch	Tuesdays & Thursdays
	Rowan	Thursdays & Fridays
	Willow	Mondays & Thursdays

TERM 4			
Mon 23 Feb	Start of Term 4		
Tue 24 Feb	NSU for T3 House Point Winners		
Mon 2 Mar	Book Fair		
Thu 5 Mar	World Book Day		
Fri 6 Mar	US Biggest Ever Girls Football Event	Abbeyfield	8:40 coach. 12:30 return
Fri 6 Mar	US Boys Football morning	Upper Site	9:00 - 12:00
Wed 18 Mar	Y4 Residential	Braeside	3 days, 2 nights
Thu 19 Mar	Parent Forum 4	Lower Site	
Fri 20 Mar	Red Nose Day		
Tue 24 Mar	Parents Eve	Upper Site	
Wed 25 Mar	Project 5k Final Event	Upper Site	3:30-4:15 on US grounds
Thu 26 Mar	Willow Class Assembly	Upper Site	9:10am (was 12 Feb)
Thu 26 Mar	Parents Eve	Upper Site	
Fri 27 Mar	Whole School - Easter	Upper Site	Includes church Easter service
Fri 27 Mar	End of Term 4		

# DATES FOR THE YEAR

## TERM 5

Mon 13 Apr	Start of Term 5		
Tue 14 Apr	NSU for T4 House Point Winners		
Thu 30 Apr	SEN Coffee Meetup	Lower Site	Focus - ASD
Mon 4 May	Bank Holiday		School Closed
Thu 7 May	Parent Forum 5	Lower Site	
Mon 11 May	Y6 SATs Start		4 days
Wed 20 May	Elm Class Assembly	Lower Site	9:10am (was 11 Feb)
Thu 21 May	Birch Class Assembly	Upper Site	9:10am
Fri 22 May	End of Term 5		

## TERM 6

Mon 1 Jun	TD Day		No children in school
Tue 2 Jun	Start of Term 6		
Tue 2 Jun	NSU for T5 House Point Winners		
Wed 3 Jun	Class School Photos		
Fri 5 Jun	Sports Day	Upper Site	1pm
Fri 12 Jun	Y6 Residential	Morfa Bay	4 days, 3 nights
Thu 18 Jun	Reception New Parents Info Eve		
Fri 19 Jun	Reserve Sports Day		
Thu 25 Jun	Parent Forum 6	Lower Site	
Wed 8 Jul	Beech Class Assembly	Lower Site	9:10am (was 20 May)
Thu 9 Jul	Shuffle Up/Transfer Day		
8 & 9 Jul	Malmesbury Year 6 Induction Day		
Mon 13 Jul	School Reports Out		
Mon 13 Jul	Y2 Second Transfer Day	Upper Site	
Wed 15 Jul	Willow Production	Lower Site	PM & Eve performances