Friday 20th November 2026

Wigmore Weekly

Our school value of the month: Resilience
British Values: Individual Liberty
Quote of the Week: "Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." Confuciu

Star of the Week

Acorn: Finley J
Oak: Raphy
Elm: Oscar
Laurel: Dotty
Willow: Chily
Cherry: Ollie
Sycamore: Nuala

Value of the Week

Acorn: Tilly D
Oak: Anja
Elm: Erin
Laurel: Grace
Willow: Rory A
Cherry: Sammy
Sycamore: Amber

Head Girl and Head Boy Award

Maccy (Y3)

Class of the Week

Well done Acorn Class!





Warming up ready for the Children In Need Run!

What a fantastic week we have had! Today, we marked Children in Need with a special 2K run and it was wonderful to see the whole school taking part in their Joe Wicks and Pudsey Bear outfits!

We have also been raising awareness during Anti-Bullying Week, linking learning to our value of the month, resilience. Children also enjoyed a visit from the School Nurse, who spoke about friendship and positive relationships.

Meanwhile, pupils in Acorn and Oak Class have been learning about Road Safety and enjoyed a walk around the village to put their learning into practice.

Finally, a special welcome to Marloe, Ewan and Olivia who have all joined Acorn Class! We hope you have many years of adventure at Wigmore!

Have a brilliant week.

Mrs Rebecca Williams - Head of School

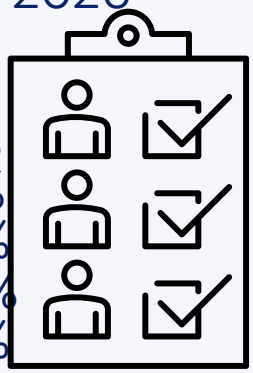
Attendance Corner

If your child misses...	That equates to...	Which is...	and over 7 years at primary school that is....
1 day per fortnight or 90% attendance	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	28 weeks - more than 2 whole school terms!
1 day per week or 80% attendance	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	56 weeks – more than 1 whole school year!
2 days per week or 60% attendance	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	112 weeks – nearly 3 whole school years!

Please remember that every day counts in order to allow children to make good progress. There is an overwhelming connection between those children who are frequently absent from school and those who go on to underachieve. If you have any difficulties getting your child to school, please do reach out. The expectation is that a child's attendance is above 96%.

Class Attendance Figures W/E 20th November 2026

Oak	85.77%
Elm	98.67%
Laurel	92.8%
Willow	95.81%
Cherry	94.81%
Sycamore	97.5 %



Congratulations ELM Class!

Arriving late everyday...	Equals...	Which over the school year is
5 minutes	25 minutes per week	16.25 hours or 2.5 days of
10 minutes	50 minutes per week	32.5 hours or 5 days of
15 minutes	75 minutes per week	48.75 hours or 7.5 days of
30 minutes	150 minutes per week	97.5 hours or 15 days of

Absences and Illness

Please ring the school office if your child is off for any reason and support the school by adhering to our absence policy. Children must be off school for 48 hours after a bout of sickness or diarrhoea. Please do not arrange holidays during the school term. We are unable to authorise this and you could be fined as a result. Research shows that children that attend school everyday are far more likely to do well in school and as a result, have better opportunities in the future.

Attendance

Is my child too ill for school?

UK Government NHS

Does your child have a high temperature (38°C or more)?

YES Keep them off school until it goes away.

NO Follow the guidance below.

Your child can usually go to school with a mild cough or cold if they are otherwise well. If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or nursery on the first day and give them the reason.

Should go in

A cough, cold or sore throat

Fine with slight cough or common cold symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat or headache, as long as they're otherwise well and do not have a high temperature.

Threadworms

Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend a treatment.

Should go in (let the school know)

Cold sores

Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.

Conjunctivitis

Fine unless they are feeling very unwell. Seek advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.

Head lice & nits

You can treat head lice and nits without seeing a GP.

Hand, foot & mouth disease

If they seem well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.

Slapped cheek syndrome

Once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious. Let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.

Seek treatment before returning to school

Impetigo

They'll need treatment from a pharmacist or GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment. Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly and not to share things like towels and cups with other children at school.

Ringworm

See your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

Scarlet fever

They'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

Chickenpox

Keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

Keep them off (at first)

Ear infection

If your child has an ear infection and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away.

Measles

They'll need to see a GP. Call the GP surgery before you go in, as measles can spread to others easily. Keep your child off school for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. They should also avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system.

Vomiting & diarrhoea

Stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea due to illness for at least 2 days (48 hours).

Feeling worried or anxious: It's normal for any of us to feel worried sometimes. We may get a tummy ache or headache, or have problems eating or sleeping. Avoiding school can sometimes make a child's worries about going to school worse. If your child is struggling, please speak to school as soon as possible to explore available help. If your child is still struggling and it's affecting their everyday life, you should contact GP or school nurse.

To find out more, search www.NHS.uk for the specific illness or infection, or 'Is my child too ill for school?'

What's happened at Wigmore...

Acorn Class

The children have loved exploring the story How to Catch a Star this week. Inspired by the book, they experimented with a range of textures and paints to create their own beautiful starry sky artwork. In Maths, the children have been learning about AB patterns and developing their prediction skills by identifying what comes next in a sequence. As part of Road Safety Week, the children also enjoyed a walk around the local area, where they practised how to stay safe near roads and learned the correct way to cross safely. We are very proud of how sensible and enthusiastic they have been!

Oak Class

What an amazing week in Oak Class! This week, we have started rehearsals for our Christmas Play! The children are doing a wonderful job and we are very excited for you to see it! In writing, we have been creating some descriptions about Traction Man and have used lots of exciting vocabulary. In maths, Reception children have explored the composition of number four. Year 1 children have been comparing numbers within 10. We also went on a road safety walk around the village to practise crossing the road safely. Have a great weekend!

PE is now a Thursday afternoon

Willow Class

Willow Class have had another busy and exciting week of learning! In English, the children have been learning to use inverted commas for direct speech, inspired by The Great Kapok Tree and the animals of the Amazon rainforest. In maths, they have shown great perseverance with subtraction calculations while continuing to build confidence in their times tables and number facts. During Anti-Bullying Week, the children shared thoughtful ideas about kindness, friendship and supporting others. In science, they investigated the ideal length of string for a string telephone through practical experiments. We also enjoyed a fantastic Forest School session, making damper bread over the bonfire together.

Elm Class

Elm Class have had another wonderful week of learning! We have been busy practising for our Nativity performance, and I have been incredibly impressed by how well the children already know their lines. In maths, our Year 2 pupils have shown fantastic resilience while learning how to find and calculate the difference, applying these skills to pictograms and bar charts. In DT, the children have demonstrated great creativity as they design and create their moving toys. Meanwhile, in geography, Elm Class have been learning all about the countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom. Have a lovely weekend!

Cherry Class

Cherry Class have had a busy and exciting week of learning across the curriculum. In English, the children wrote persuasive speeches, using a range of techniques to convince their audience to leave Pompeii before the eruption. In maths, we have been learning about volume and exploring how to calculate and compare the space inside 3D shapes. In science, the children investigated air resistance by designing and testing three different parachutes to discover which created the most resistance. We also explored the physical features of the Alps in geography and located key tourist destinations. Have a lovely weekend!

Homework: English p.38, Maths pp.60-61

Laurel Class

Laurel Class have had another fantastic week of learning! In English, the children have begun writing their firework poems, working hard to create rhymes and use exciting vocabulary. In maths, they have explored different ways of representing numbers to 1,000. Science lessons focused on how the Sun helps create day and night, as well as ways to stay safe in the sunshine. In PE, the children showed great determination while developing their co-ordination skills. During DT, they demonstrated impressive resilience as they practised sewing and designed their Ancient Egyptian collars. What a wonderful week of learning and achievement in Laurel Class!

Sycamore Class

This week, the children have started learning the long division method. They are beginning to develop a good understanding of the process and have shown excellent perseverance when tackling this challenging new concept. We will continue to build on this learning next week.

In English, we have been exploring the power of effective vocabulary choices, considering how language can convey the emotions someone might experience when moving to a new home. This work has been linked to our class reading book, Skellig, which the children are thoroughly enjoying.

In Science, the children have continued to enjoy learning about electricity. This week, they investigated different types of circuits and explored how a variety of materials can be used within them. Have a great weekend!

What's happening at Wigmore...

Class Assembly Dates			
Term	Class	Date	Time
Spring i	Laurel Class (Y3)	10.02.27	@ 9:00
Spring ii	Willow Class (Y4)	17.03.27	@ 9:00
Summer i	Cherry (Y5)	19.05.27	@ 9:00
Summer ii	Oak Class (YR/1)	14.07.27	@ 9:00

well done!

Well done to all the runners from KS2 that took part in Running Club at lunchtime!

Results (Top 3 girls and boys per			
Year 3		Year 4	
1	Grace	1	Otti
2	Stanley	2	Ted
3	Indie	3	Rauri DJ
Year 5		Year 6	
1	Ollie	1	Steffan
2	Aiden	2	Dima
3	Freya	3	Seth

DON'T FORGET

Cherry Class, don't forget swimming is every Friday.

Willow Class, don't forget Forest School is every Wednesday.

Acorn and Oak Class, don't forget that Forest School is every Friday.



Well done to the following children who achieved the most correct answers over the last seven days:



Y1: Jem
Y2: Roman
Y3: Kristian
Y4: Advit
Y5: Ollie
Y6: Finn

What's on at Wigmore...

Week Commencing 16th November 2026

Monday	Hama Bead Club (Group 2) - Darts Club
Tuesday	Lego Club - Hockey Club
Wednesday	Y6 Pupils 2 Parliament
Thursday	Multiskills Club - Football Club - Netball Club - Orchestra Club
Friday	Cheerleading Club - Y5 Swimming

	NOVEMBER
25.11.26	Y6 Pupils 2 Parliament
26.11.26	Whole School Flu Vaccinations
	DECEMBER
03.12.26	Small School Football Tournament
09.12.26	YN/R/1/2 Nativity @ 14:00 and 17:00
10.12.26	Christmas DISCO! New Date
11.12.26	Christmas Lunch
11.12.26	Christmas Jumper Day
14.12.26	Whole School to watch WHS Cinderella
15.12.26	Whole School Trip to Ludlow Theatre
16.12.26	KS2 Carol Concert at WHS @ 18:00
17.12.26	Whole School Rudolf Run
18.12.26	Last Day of Term
	JANUARY
04.01.27	INSET Day
05.01.27	INSET Day
06.01.27	Spring Term Begins!
11.01.27	Clubs Start
14.01.27	YR/Y1 Phonics Live Lesson

Wigmore Noticeboard

Reminders

Arrival in the Morning - Please remember that children should not be left unsupervised in the playground before 08:30am when the door opens. This is to ensure children are safeguarded at all times.

Please don't walk your children through the High School car park.

Healthy Snacks - Please remember that we are a healthy school and NUT FREE. In line with school policy, children should only bring in healthy snacks for break (fruit, cereal bars) not crisps, cake or chocolate.

School Dinners - Please remember to ring the School Canteen to cancel school dinners if your child is off poorly. School dinners need to be on Arbor by Tuesday for the following week.

Head Lice - Once a week, take a peek!

Please park respectfully at the start and the end of the day. We know how tricky it can be. There is a carpark on Bury Lane which can be utilised.

Please ensure that children keep to the path and/or pavement on arrival or when leaving school to respect our neighbours' properties. Thank you.



Uniform

We believe that wearing a uniform is a way of encouraging a sense of identity and connection with the school, which helps to inspire a community spirit. We would like all children to wear the correct uniform and be as smartly presented as they can for each school day. It is lovely to see children that are proud to belong to Wigmore Primary School. Our expectation is that all children attend school in the uniform outlined on our website and within our uniform policy.

Please note, black trainers are not part of the school uniform. School shoes should be plain black.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."



Herefordshire Council

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Reception admissions for 2027-2028

Do you have a child born between
1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023

If so you will need to apply for a school place
by 15 January 2027
(to commence September 2027)

Applications can be completed from
14 September 2026 online
(scan QR code) or visit:

www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions

Please note: a place at a nursery does not guarantee a place at the associated primary school, therefore you must still apply.

For further information please contact the school admissions team on 01432 260926 / 261574 or **schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk**

Design a Christmas decoration to hang on our school Christmas tree! Entries to be in by the 11th December, dont forget to put your name on.

Prizes to be won for



Wigmore Noticeboard





