



Batchley First and Nursery School



Weekly Newsletter

10th October 2025

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Learning Opportunities

We have had a fantastic week at Batchley, filled with purposeful learning and joyful engagement across the school. Our School Improvement Advisor visited and was very impressed by the purposeful activities and well-focused adult support observed throughout the school. It is wonderful to see our values in action.



It has been another week full of enthusiasm, achievement, and togetherness. Early Years have loved their fruit tasting and making repeating patterns with fruit.

Year 1 are working hard in their phonics sessions, showing real focus and progress. Thank you to all the families who attended the phonics meeting.

Year 2 have been diving into history this week as they learn all about the Great Fire of London. The children have been fascinated by how the fire started, how it spread, and the impact it had on the city. They have also been learning about important figures from the time, including Samuel Pepys, who famously recorded the events in his diary, and Thomas Bludworth, the Lord Mayor of London during the fire.



Year 3 are showing great determination as they focus on improving their handwriting. Their effort and pride in presentation are really paying off.



Year 4 have been shining in their computing lessons—Mrs Foster was thoroughly impressed with their growing skills and confidence.

Summary

Learning Opportunities	Save the Date
Keep Reading	Hello Yellow
Stars of the Week	Golden table
Fit4Sport	Books & Biscuits
Key Dates	Wonderful Success
	FSM
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KEEP READING!

Read Every Day – It Makes a Big Difference!

At the Book Club the children share their love of reading and the reasons behind their favourite book choice. Their enthusiasm is a wonderful reminder of the joy that reading brings to us all.



Batchley Book Club Hello.

My favourite book is 'The Christmassaurus and The Winter Witch' by Tom Fletcher.

I like this book because it is interesting and fun to read.

I think anyone would like it because it is funny and exciting.

It is available in our school library.

Stars of the Week

Chosen for good work or demonstrating kind hands, kind feet, kind words and respecting everyone and everything.

Nursery Plus	Hunter and Toluwani	Year 2J	Tommy-Jaxn and Kaylah
FSD	Milo and Maddison	Year 2L	Alfie S and Elijah
FSC	Fatima and Kyrie	Year 3B	Julia and Madhav
Year 1B	Brodie and Declan	Year 4 CF	Autumn and Elizabeth
Year 1M	Ronnie and Laia	Year 4 H	Ivo and Nirgun

Mrs Downes, Mr Reeves and all the staff are very proud of the good attitude and effort demonstrated in school.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Key Dates

15th October 2025- parent Consultations – Book on MCAS
 17th October 2025- Year2 trip to Mary Arden's Farm
 Thursday 23rd October – Year 1 trip Hartlebury Museum
 Friday 24th October – School closes for half-term
 Monday 3rd November – School opens for Autumn 2
The holiday dates for 2025-2026 are on the school website.

[Term Dates – Batchley First School](#)



Fit4Sport

Morning and Sports Clubs

Fit4Sport offer morning provision and after school clubs for our children.

Contact Mr Morris if you require a place on 07557946721 or email info@fit4sport.org.in
Sports Clubs <https://fit4sport.class4kids.co.uk/>

At Batchley we are all VIPS – valued, inspired, Prepared, Safe

Attendance

Week ending 10.10.25

4H	4CF	3B	2J	2L
91%	95%	96%	91%	96%
1B	1M	FSC	FSD	
96%	92%	98%	94%	

Another good week for attendance across the school.

Each week 2 children from each key stage will be chosen to receive a [Dip In the Box](#) for achieving 100% attendance.

Our pupils this week are: Poppy 4H, Francesca 3B, Ella 1B, Inez 2J, Bella FSC and Lilith FSD.

Every Day Counts – Supporting Strong Attendance Together

Please help us by:

Prioritising school attendance and avoiding unnecessary absences.

Talking to us early if your child is struggling to attend – we are here to help.

Celebrating your child's efforts to be in school every day.

Together, we can make sure every child gets the most out of their education and builds strong foundations for the future.

If your child has an illness and is unwell, please contact the school office to report this to us before 9am.

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Hello Yellow

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our World Mental Health Day activities. Together, we raised an amazing **£140** to support mental health initiatives — a wonderful achievement.

It was great to see the school awash with yellow outfits, symbolising hope, happiness, and support.

Your enthusiasm and generosity truly made a difference, and we are so proud of the caring community we are building together.

Books and Biscuits at Batchley

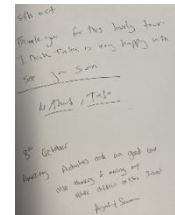
We are excited to invite you to our Books and Biscuits event at Batchley on Thursday 13th November 2025, taking place in the afternoon.

Come along to enjoy a cosy reading session with your child, share stories, and enjoy some biscuits. A lovely opportunity to celebrate the joy of reading together.

A Wonderful Success

We were delighted to welcome families to our recent Open Day and Evening. The event was a huge success, with lots of positive feedback from visitors. Many commented on the warm, friendly atmosphere, the inspiring learning environment, and the wide range of opportunities available to our children. This included our forest school and library sessions.

If you know any families who are considering schools for September 2026, please encourage them to contact the school office as we would love to show them what makes our school such a special place to learn and grow.



Golden Table



FSD- Denny
FSC- Noah
Year 1B- Ella-Mai
Year 1M- Max
Year 2J - Leni
Year 2L- Zach
Year 3B- Freddie
Year 4CF- Eliza
Year 4H- Cayson



Well done to the children who have been recognised for their good manners, politeness and ability to demonstrate the school rules. I am so looking forward to eating with the children at the golden table on

Monday 13th October 2025

FSM

Please use this link as it entitles you to benefits in the school holidays. There will be a voucher for any child entitled to FSM for the October half-term.

[Applying for Free School Meals | Applying for Free School Meals | Worcestershire County Council](#)

Reading Shelf

If you have a great book in mind that you would love to see added, feel free to suggest it. You can explore ideas using the link below, or simply share a favourite you already know would be a perfect fit.

[Our picks of the best children's books coming out in Summer 2025 | School Reading List](#)

Use the link below to record your book choice and rate our school library at the same time.

<https://forms.office.com/e/hEww90cCYT>

Pupil voice matters.

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