



# Batchley First and Nursery School



## Weekly Newsletter

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### Learning Opportunities

It has been a very creative and inspiring week across the school. Our youngest learners have been experimenting with mark-making in ice, exploring textures and patterns. This activity encouraged curiosity and fine motor skills while sparking conversations about the properties of ice and water. Meanwhile, our eldest learners demonstrated their artistic talents by painting intricate plant designs. Their work showcased patience, precision, and a deep appreciation for the natural world.



Early Years have also been busy learning about different occupations and the people who help us every day. From firefighters and doctors to vets, the children explored these important roles through building both knowledge and empathy.



Year 2 enjoyed a trip to the local cinema. We are proud to share that, once again, our children were praised for their excellent behaviour.

It is wonderful to see creativity, curiosity, and community spirit thriving in every corner of our school.

### Summary

Learning Opportunities	Attendance
Keep Reading	Thank You
Stars of the Week	Flying High
Fit4Sport	1M's Attendance
Key Dates	Safe Environment
	Golden Table

# KEEP READING!

Read Every Day – It Makes a Big Difference!



### Stars of the Week

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

<b>Nursery Plus</b>	Maela and Callum	<b>Year 2J</b>	Ada and Alfie
<b>FSD</b>	Jordan and Arlo	<b>Year 2L</b>	Aurora and Maisy-Rose
<b>FSC</b>	Rhys and Stacey	<b>Year 3B</b>	Freddie and Ken
<b>Year 1B</b>	Ali and Muhammad	<b>Year 4 CF</b>	Selena and Razaq
<b>Year 1M</b>	Theodore and Isobel	<b>Year 4 H</b>	Artur and Aidan

Mrs Downes, Mr Reeves and all the staff are very proud of the good attitude and effort demonstrated in 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](mailto:info@fit4sport.org.in)  
Sports Clubs <https://fit4sport.class4kids.co.uk/>

### DATES TO REMEMBER


#### Key Dates

Tuesday 25th November- KS2 Cinema Visit  
 Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Own clothes – donations to the Fayre  
 Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Winter Wonderland Fayre  
 Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Early Years Christmas Play  
 Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch  
**The holiday dates for 2025-2026 are on the school website.**  
[Term Dates – Batchley First School](#)

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## Attendance

Week ending 10.10.25

4H	4CF	3B	2J	2L
95%	91%	80%	98%	84%
1B	1M	FSC	FSD	
90%	90%	86%	92%	

**Attendance has dropped and we will aim to improve on this next week.**

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:** Mollie 4H, James 3B, Melissa 2L, Peter 1B, Stacey FSC and Elsie-Mae 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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## Thank You

We are so grateful for the incredible generosity and support from our school community. We would like to say a special thank you to:

**Saskia's family**, whose father kindly painted our playground chalkboards. A fantastic improvement for outdoor play.

**Willow's family**, for their generous gift of a sensory spinning chair for our sensory room. This has been a big hit with our children and is already making a positive difference.

**All parents** who have donated bottles for our upcoming Winter Wonderland Fayre.

Your kindness means so much to us and to the children.

## Flying High with British Values

As part of our ongoing work on British Values—particularly **democracy** and **tolerance**—our School Council recently voted for their favourite design for a Batchley Flag. The winning design has now been turned into a real flag.

We are proud to share that this flag is flying high in our Batchley Forest School, a symbol of our community spirit and the children's voice in action. It's a wonderful reminder of how democracy works in everyday school life and how we celebrate the values that unite us.



## 1M's Attendance Reward

To reward their commitment, the children enjoyed a special treat with s'mores in Forest School. It was a wonderful way to combine outdoor learning with a sweet celebration.

Thank you to everyone for supporting great attendance as it really does make a difference.



## Safe and Respectful Environment

We want to ensure that our school remains a safe and welcoming place for all children and families. Recently, there have been reports of strong smells associated with cannabis near the school office entrance during drop-off times. Please remember that the use of illegal substances on or near school grounds is not permitted. This is to protect the wellbeing of all children and maintain a positive environment.

If you have any concerns or need support, please speak confidentially to a member of staff. Thank you for helping us keep our school a safe space for everyone.

## Golden Table



**FSD-** Kayden  
**FSC-** Joshua  
**Year 1B-** Tyler  
**Year 1M-** Morrigan  
**Year 2J -** Ewan  
**Year 2L-** Aayat  
**Year 3B-** Jaxon T  
**Year 4CF-** Ollie  
**Year 4H-** Elsie



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

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