



### Learning Opportunities

After a wintry end to last week, we began the learning week with great energy and enthusiasm across the school.



Year 1 held a successful phonics meeting, supporting parents with valuable information about the phonics screening check that will take place in June. It was lovely to see such positive engagement and shared commitment to supporting the children's learning. In Year 1 RE, the children were fully engaged, exploring a range of intriguing artefacts that brought their learning to life and encouraged thoughtful discussion.



Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed getting creative in the kitchen, having great fun making food as part of their learning.

Year 3 began their cricket sessions this week, and it was fantastic to see everyone participating, developing new skills, and working together as a team.

Year 4 were busy creating some very intricate weaving patterns and approached the activity with impressive focus and enthusiasm, thoroughly enjoying the lesson.

It has been a positive and purposeful start to the week, with wonderful learning taking place across the school.

### Summary

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| Learning Opportunities | Attendance      |
| Keep Reading           | PINS Project    |
| Stars of the Week      | Golden Table    |
| Fit4Sport              | Foodbank        |
| Key Dates              | FSM             |
|                        | Thank you Tesco |

# KEEP READING!

### Read Every Day – It Makes a Big Difference!



**"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child."**  
-Dr. Seuss

### Star Learner this

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

Nursery Plus	Harrison and Callum	Year 2J	Charlotte and Jeniel
FSD	Jordan and Kai	Year 2L	Alfie H and Saffron
FSC	Opie and Bella	Year 3B	Noah and Esmae
Year 1B	Benji and Declan	Year 4 CF	Hidayah and Bailey
Year 1M	Remy and Raevyn	Year 4 H	Ivo and Cayson

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

21st – 23rd January 2026- Year 4 Residential Tuesday 10th February 2026- Safer Internet Day Tuesday 12th February 2026 – School closes for half-term

**The holiday dates for 2025-2026 are on the school website.**

[Term Dates – Batchley First School](#)

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## Attendance

Week ending 12.12.25

4H	4CF	3B	2J	2L
86%	92%	98%	97%	91%
1B	1M	FSC	FSD	
90%	94%	93%	97%	

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

Well done to **3B, 2J** and **FSD** for achieving the highest attendance in your key stage this week.

**On Monday, 2J will enjoy s'mores in the Forest School and a non-uniform today to celebrate achieving the highest attendance for Autumn Term, well done 2J.**

**IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL, YOU MUST CALL THE OFFICE EVERY MORNING ON 01527 62926, THANK YOU**

**Every Day Counts – Supporting Strong Attendance Together**  
Please help us by:

Talking to us 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.

0152762926 [office@batchley.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@batchley.worcs.sch.uk)

## PINS at Batchley First

We had a great time at the slime making workshop and now have another workshop for parents to attend with their children.

This session will focus on worry and anxiety, where parents will be given a few ideas on how to support their children with anxiety and worry. Following this children will join their parents to make a worry doll together. It would be amazing to see lots of you there. If you are able to come along please let us know using the following link so that we can make sure we have enough resources.

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

If you would like more information please let me know. Mrs Hall



## Foodbank



If, after Christmas, you are finding finances tight, we can help by making a referral to Redditch Foodbank.

Contact Mr Reeves or Mrs Downes on the gate or via the office and we will offer support.

## Golden Table



FSD- Rosie-Leigh  
FSC- Quorra  
Year 1B- Skyla  
Year 1M- Jaxon  
Year 2J - Jacob  
Year 2L- Aurora  
Year 3B- Tiana  
Year 4CF- Autumn  
Year 4H- Mollie



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 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

## Thank you Tesco Extra

A huge thank you to Tesco Extra. This week, they donated lots of hot chocolate sachets for our reading bags. They also donated some school uniform for us to share with families in need. If you are in need we may be able to help. Either speak with us on the school gate or contact us through the school office. 0152762926 [office@batchley.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@batchley.worcs.sch.uk)



## FSM

Applying for Free School Meals. Use this link.

[Free school meals | Worcestershire County Council](#)

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