



Festive Fun

This week has been full of joy and celebration. We began with the Early Years Nativity, a truly wonderful production where our youngest children amazed us all by learning and performing eight songs. Their confidence and enthusiasm shone brightly and what a proud moment for everyone.

Throughout the week, festive activities brought smiles across the school. On Thursday, we had a very special visitor, Father Christmas, who joined some of our children for a magical breakfast. The excitement was unforgettable.

We were also treated to the Rocks Steady Concert, an incredible performance that filled the hall with music and festive cheer. Staff members also demonstrated their musical talents with some impressive singing. Looking ahead, several are planning to work with Rock Steady to form a band in the New Year.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this week so special. It has been a fantastic way to celebrate the season together.



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KEEP READING!

Read Every Day – It Makes a Big Difference!



Star Learner this

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

Nursery Plus	Charles	Year 2J	Oliver
FSD	Denny	Year 2L	Aurora
FSC	Daisy	Year 3B	Tiana
Year 1B	Balraj	Year 4 CF	Marwan
Year 1M	Ronnie	Year 4 H	Elsie

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

HAF Winter Camp

Fit4Sport Winter Camp will be on:
22nd, 23rd, 29th, 30th & 31st
December @ 9:30am – 1:00pm
Places are available through:

HAF (FSM benefit related): [click here](#)

Paid places: [click here](#)



Class Dojo Winners



FSC	Bella	2L	Melissa
FSD	Lilith	3B	Arlo
1B	Skyla	4H	Artur
1M	Jaxon	4CF	Lena
2J	Ewan		

Attendance

Week ending 12.12.25

4H	4CF	3B	2J	2L
99%	96%	97%	96%	91%
1B	1M	FSC	FSD	
91%	93%	90%	91%	

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Congratulations to 2J who have achieved the highest attendance this half term. 2J will receive a reward of their choice for this fantastic achievement.

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:

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.

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A Gift That Will Grow With Us

This week, we are delighted to share a story of generosity. We send a huge thank you to Mrs. Brough for her incredibly kind donation of an oak tree to Batchley. We sadly, lost our large oak tree in the field, a tree that had stood as a symbol of strength and community for many years.



Mrs. Brough wanted to give something back to Batchley, and her thoughtful gift will ensure that this legacy continues. Just like our children, it will thrive with care and nurture, becoming a proud part of our school grounds for generations to come.

Thank you, Mrs. Brough, for giving us a gift that will grow alongside our community, a symbol of strength and hope for the future.

“From little acorns, mighty oaks grow.”

Reception and Middle School Applications 2026

Please don't forget to apply for your child's place at middle school. You must do this online by 15th January 2026. Use this link to register www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Saying Goodbye and Wishing Well

Today, we say a heartfelt goodbye to **Mrs. Brough**, who has chosen to take early retirement. Mrs. Brough has been an incredible part of our Batchley family, and her dedication and kindness have touched so many lives. We wish her every success and happiness in her new adventures. She will be greatly missed by us all.



We also say goodbye to **Mrs. Mortimer**, who has worked in our Speech and Language Unit. We thank her for everything she has done.

Finally, we bid farewell to **Miss Day**, who has provided support to a child in Year 2. We wish her well in her next steps.

We thank them for everything they have given to Batchley. They leave behind warm memories and a lasting impact. Good luck in your new journeys.

Wishing Our Batchley Family a Magical Festive Break

As we reach the end of a truly wonderful term, we want to take a moment to thank every member of our Batchley family, the children, parents, carers, and staff for making our school such a special place.



Your support, kindness, and commitment have helped create an environment where everyone feels Valued, Inspired, Prepared, and Safe.



As we head into the festive break, we wish you all a season filled with joy, peace, and magical moments. Enjoy time with loved ones, recharge, and celebrate everything we have achieved together. We look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year for more new learning opportunities.

Key Dates

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

[Term Dates – Batchley First School](#)

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