



### Weekly Learning

It has been another busy week at Batchley, with children across the school developing their knowledge, vocabulary, creativity and independence. In Early Years, the children have been consolidating their learning about weight, height and length and have begun exploring patterns. In Phonics, they are continuing to work hard on blending sounds together to read words.

There has also been some fantastic collaborative construction, with the children demonstrating excellent teamwork and turn-taking skills.



In KS1 Maths, the children have been working on their number bonds to 20, while developing confidence with number recognition, counting and understanding the value of numbers.



In DT, the children have explored patchwork, creating colourful designs by arranging and joining different materials. We have been very impressed with their creativity and careful choices.



There has been lots of excitement in KS2 as the children have also been developing a wealth of new DT vocabulary, exploring words such as ingredients, nutrients, knead, texture, gluten, evaluate, aesthetics, construct and effective.



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**KEEP READING!**

Don't forget to keep reading every day  
it is so important

Five minutes  
a day of daily  
reading impacts  
positively in all  
areas of the  
curriculum.



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

### Stars of the Week

|                      |                           |                         |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>FSD</b>           | Florence and Summer-Jayne | <b>KS1L</b>             | Charlie H and Nadia |
| <b>FSC</b>           | Summer-Rose and Opie      | <b>KS2FB</b>            | Zayn and Sofia      |
| <b>KS1B</b>          | Max and Carter            | <b>KS2H</b>             | Gurshaan and Gracie |
| <b>KS1J</b>          | Fatima and Theo           | <b>KS2M</b>             | Oscar and Freya     |
| <b>Forest School</b> | <b>EYFS</b> – Archie      | <b>KS1</b> – Clementine | <b>KS2</b> - Arlo   |

Mrs Downes, Mr Reeves and all the staff are proud of your excellent attitude, effort and commitment. Congratulations!

### A Polite Reminder

We have received reports of inappropriate language being used around the school gates. Please can we ask everyone to be respectful and mindful of their language while waiting to collect children. We want our school entrance to remain a welcoming, positive and safe environment for all our children and families. Thank you for your support.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

### Key Dates

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – School closes for half-term  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November –Teacher Training Day  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – School opens for Autumn 2  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December – School closes for Christmas  
**The dates for 2026-2027 are on the school website.**  
[Term Dates – Batchley First School](#)

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## Attendance

At Batchley First and Nursery School, we know that every day in school is an opportunity for children to learn, grow and thrive. Regular attendance plays a vital role in helping children build confidence, develop friendships and make the very best progress possible. We therefore encourage all children to attend school every day unless they are genuinely too unwell to do so.

If your child is unwell and unable to attend, please contact the school office before **9:00am**. As part of our commitment to supporting attendance, we carefully monitor attendance each day and may contact families to discuss any concerns and work together to find solutions where needed.

Week ending 02.10.26

| FSD  | FSC   | KS1B | KS1J |
|------|-------|------|------|
| 94%  | 98%   | 96%  | 95%  |
| KS1L | KS2FB | KS2H | KS2M |
| 97%  | 98%   | 95 % | 92%  |

*With only 2 weeks to go, we are looking ahead to see which class will have achieved the highest attendance for our first half term back in school and be receiving a reward for their efforts. Currently FSC are just edging ahead. Still all to play for.*

Thank you for your ongoing support.

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## Forest School Pizza Day

What an amazing day we had in Forest School! Our pizza oven was certainly put to the test, with children across the whole school having the opportunity to enjoy delicious freshly cooked pizza.

A huge thank you to everyone for your support, and a very special thank you to Mrs Smit, our Forest School Lead, who came up with the idea and organised such a successful day. It was wonderful to see our Forest School provision bringing the whole school community together and creating special memories for our children.



## Golden Table



FSD - Judah  
FSC - Gigi  
KS1B- Lilith  
KS1J- Lucie  
KS1L - Monty  
KS2FB- Aurora  
KS2H- Alfie W  
KS2M- Cherry



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 12<sup>th</sup> October.**

## Wear Yellow

We had a lovely wellbeing day, with the children enjoying mindfulness activities including drawing, Yoga Bugs and Dough Disco. Every class also enjoyed a fantastic pizza party in Forest School. A huge thank you to all our families for your generous contributions, which totalled over £100. Your support really is appreciated and helped make the day extra special for our children.



## 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/>



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