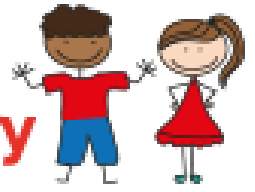




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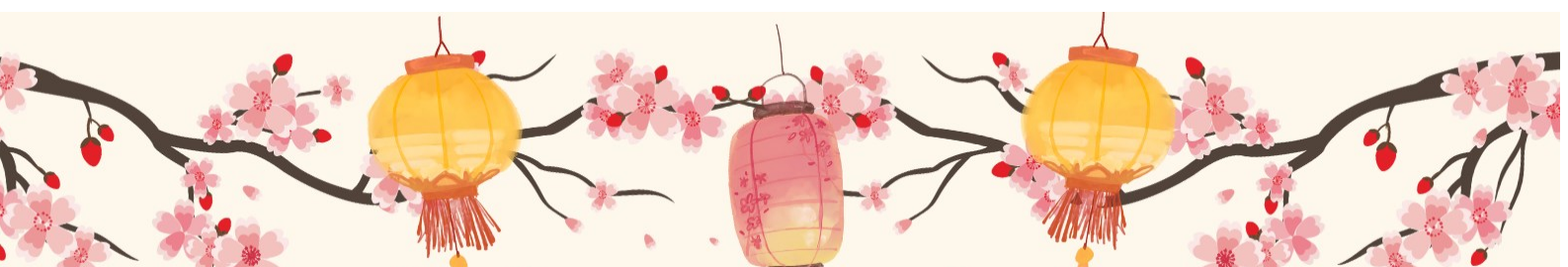
Thursday 5th March
World Book Day

Friday 13th March
PSA Mother's Day Sale

Friday 20th March
Comic Relief Day

Wed 25th & Thurs 26th March
Open Doors

Friday 27th March
PSA School Disco
Mufti Day
End of Term – 1.30pm finish





A MESSAGE FROM MRS MULLARKEY

Dear Families,

February has been a lively and rewarding month across our school, with children engaged in a wide range of meaningful learning experiences.

Thank you to Mrs. Samuel for leading Children's Mental Health Week. The children took part in activities that encouraged them to think about their emotions, develop healthy strategies, and reflect on how they can support their own wellbeing. We are grateful to the volunteers who helped make the week so meaningful.

Across the school, there has been plenty of enjoyable and creative learning. Year 2 designed and made their own pizzas and created the packaging to go with them, gaining hands-on experience in both food preparation and design. Reception explored the traditions of Lunar New Year, learning about customs and stories from different cultures. Nursery had great fun making pancakes and sharing the book, *Mr Wolf's Pancakes*, whilst Year 1 children enjoyed exploring how being outside in nature made them feel.

I appreciate the continued support from families and the commitment shown by staff and the children throughout February. We look forward to a marvelous March.

With warmest regards,
S. Mullarkey



**SAFER
INTERNET
DAY**



In the week before half term, we celebrated **Safer Internet Day 2026** in school.

This year's theme was "**Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI.**" We held an assembly where we talked about what AI is, the benefits of AI, how we might use it in our everyday lives, and some of the risks we need to be aware of.

We then took part in a quiz using short video clips, where the children had to decide whether each clip showed a magic trick, a skill or something created using AI.

In class, we went over our school SMART rules and discussed the different ways we can keep ourselves safe when using technology, especially when we go online.

E-safety is an important part of our computing curriculum, and we encourage you to talk with your child at home about how they can stay safe when using technology.

Below are some links that you may find useful:

- [Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)
- [Support for parents and carers to keep children safe online - GOV.UK](#)
- [Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)
- [Parents and carers | CEOP Education](#)



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