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NEWSLETTER OF NOOR UL ISLAM PRIMARY SCHOOL
AUTUMN 1, OCTOBER 2025 | RABI AL THANI 1447 AH



Important Dates

Wed 22 Oct
Last Day of half term
End at 12pm midday
Non-uniform day

Friday 7th November
PTFA Bazaar

Fri 14th November
Parents Academic
Review Day
End at 12pm midday

Tue 16th & Wed 17th
December
Winter Performances

Fri 19th December
End of term,
End at 12pm midday
Non-Uniform day

Tue 6th Jan
School reopens
for children

Grounding learners in deen, Growing learners in character

Welcome to the first newsletter of the academic year. We are delighted with the positive start the children have made, settling well into their new classrooms and teachers. It has also been a joy to welcome our new Reception pupils, who are taking their first steps into school life, and to greet all our new parents into our community.

This year, our whole-school priorities focus on three key areas:

Growing and Sustaining: through promotion and partnerships

Nurturing in Deen: through a strong, values-led curriculum and high-quality teaching

Succeeding for All: through inclusion, SEND and effective assessment

Your continued support is vital, especially in promoting the school and sharing your positive experiences with others. Please take note of the key dates ahead, and we look forward to seeing you at upcoming events. Wishing you and your families a restful and enjoyable half-term break.

"And whoever puts their trust in Allah, then He will suffice him." (Qur'an 65:3)

Hussain Shefaar
Headteacher



Our Mission

Believe

Strive

Thrive

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From Qur'an to Kick-Off: An Inspiring Visit from Qari Ihsan Ahmed



Alhamdulillah, we were honoured to welcome Qari Ihsan Ahmed to Noor ul Islam Primary School! Qari Ihsan, a Hafiz of the Qur'an and a qualified FA football coach, inspired pupils with his beautiful Qur'an recitation and reflections on his journey to memorising the Book of Allah.

He also spoke about how he balances his love for football with his devotion to leading prayers and teaching Qur'an — showing our pupils that faith and passion can go hand in hand.

The children enjoyed hearing his favourite verses and were thrilled to join him for a quick football session afterwards! ⚽

 You can listen to Qari Ihsan's complete Qur'an series here:

 www.youtube.com/live/-CY_DxW1zBA?si=FoXlnyCGsQA3sXy7

 And to catch his recitation at our school, follow us on Instagram:

@NoorUllIslamPrimary



RECEPTION

Reception Class has settled in really well this term and have had so much fun learning, exploring, and making new friends!



We had a wonderful time exploring colours and creativity with finger painting in Reception!



We had fun practising our counting skills through games, songs, and hands-on activities!

YEAR 1



VOTE!

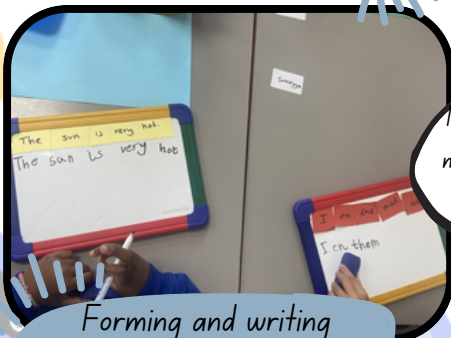
Our school council speeches!

What a great start to Year 1!

We've kicked off our key stage with lots of new learning and exciting challenges. We have settled in brilliantly alhamdulillah!

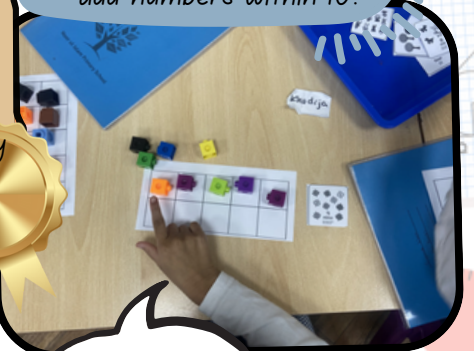


Learning to count and add numbers within 10!



Forming and writing sentences.

Mmmh... hang on. Let me check my sentence one more time.



Count with me. How many more do I need to make 9?

1 2 3

YEAR 2

Let's see how many features we can find in this non-chronological report



I can find facts in this non-chronological report



What a great start to year 2!



Year 2 attending PE sessions at score centre - team building and learning football skills

IN SCHOOL LIBRARY LOOKING FOR *fiction and non-fiction books*

Does your book have wolves?



I am going to look in 'W' for wolves

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YEAR 3

DIVERSITY

SHOW AND TELL ALL ABOUT MY CULTURAL HERITAGE

Bangladeshi

NUN BORA



Somalian

BOOSCLUT



Bangladeshi

MANDESH



Pakistani

ROTI



Bangladeshi

BUL PURI



Palestinian

MA'MOUL



Iranian

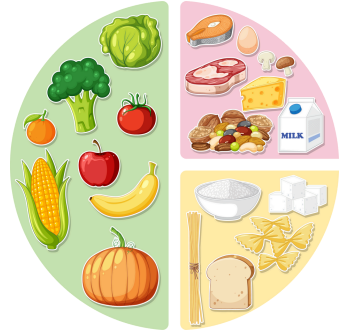
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Pakistani

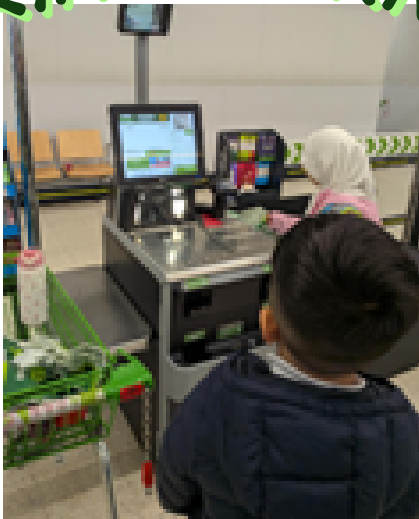
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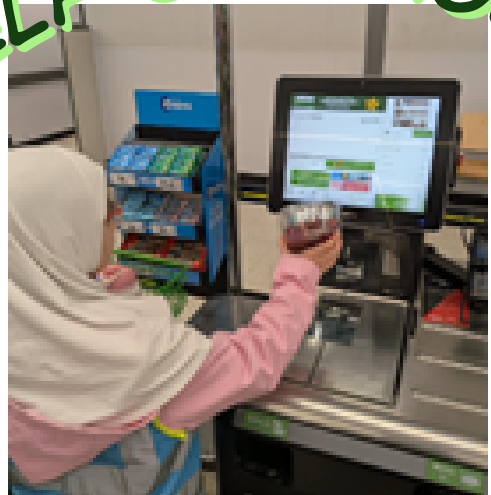


Our budding Year 3s took a shopping trip to Asda in Leyton Mills to explore and embed their knowledge on the science topic of nutrition and movement, maths and money and PSHE and social interactions. They learnt what it feels like to shop around for snacks specifically from each of the nutritious food groups. They gained a range of learning experiences including responsibility, sharing, patience, determination and team work!

TAKING TURNS



SELF CHECKOUT



GROUP SHOPPING



ALL DONE!

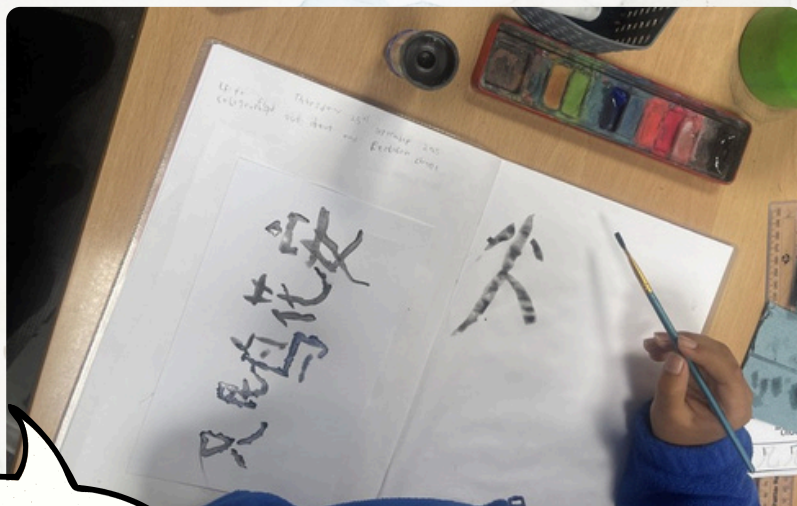


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YEAR 5

I only need to learn
3,500 characters
to read and write
in Chinese!

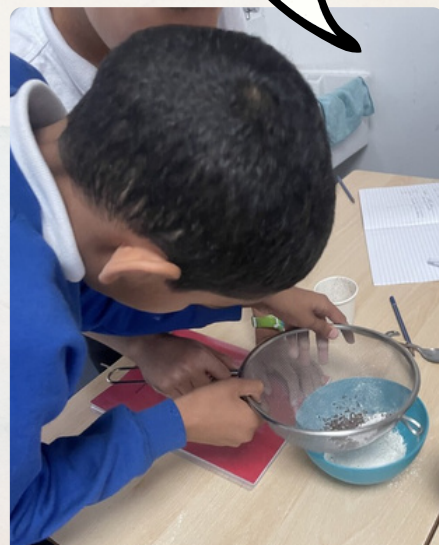


This was so
much fun!

We are
separating two
substances using
a sieve.



We made a
mixture using a
lot of
substances. Our
one was the
best!



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Y4/5 TRIP

MUSLIM HISTORY OF WALTHAM FOREST



First ever Eid prayer in
1894, Wow!



First Muslim-owned
business in Walthamstow
100 years ago!



Yunus Khan-victim of
racial violence



BIKEABILITY



Science / English (Cross-curricular):
Writing poems all about
micro-organisms!

Bacteria

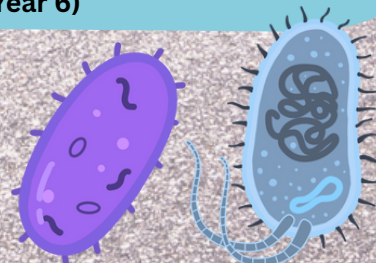
Before dinosaurs ruled the Earth,
All around the world, something mysterious lurked,
Some can give you viruses and disease,
But some can make you feel at ease,
Some are rods and others are spirals,
Some look like commas, others are spherical,
Some give you salmonella or food poisoning,
Others help us and give us medicine,
They help us make chocolate, our favourite treat,
But others give us illnesses found on raw meat,
Inside them, there's DNA,
And if you have a disease, you'll want it to go away.

Written by Ammaar Rasheed and Elias Abdillahi
(Year 6)

Story-telling through pictures!



The Arrival encouraged Year 6 students to think critically, be creative, and explore important social and emotional concepts!



Meet Our Year 6 Prefects

What is a Prefect? Who are they?

A prefect is a student chosen to represent their classmates, assist teachers, and help maintain a positive and orderly school environment. This role encourages responsibility, teamwork, and leadership in our young leaders. Students must consistently demonstrate exemplary behaviour, exhibit leadership qualities and a willingness to contribute positively to school life.

Head Prefect:

Maariya Haseeb Year 6

"As Head Prefect, my role is to ensure everyone is safe and happy. I don't just want to be a leader, I want to be a supporting friend!"



Head Prefect:

Fatimah Ahmed Year 6

"As a head prefect, my role is to lead students and help them through hardships. As a team, together we will achieve all goals for our school."



Reception Prefects:

Eesa Khan / Maryam Patel / Ana Salas Carrillo

Year 1 Prefects:

Adam Basi / Mariam Chowdhury / Khadija Hussain

Year 2 Prefects:

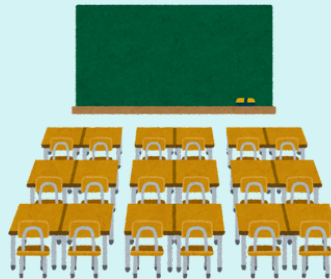
Rayhaan Ibn Jamim / Khatija Naz Khan

Year 3 Prefects:

Elias Abdillahi / Maryam Abdul-Ghani

Year 4 Prefects:

Salma Omar / Othmaan Halane



We have been extremely busy this Autumn 1 getting used to our new Prefect roles as well as focusing and working hard during lessons.

Year 5

Ali Di Palma / Mominah Mohteshim

Salah Prefects:

Ammaar Rasheed / Safwaan Mayet (Boys)

Maryam Patel / Fatimah Ahmed (Girls)

Wudhu Prefects:

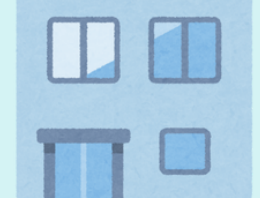
Isa Anwar / Moosa Nabeel (Boys)

Ayesha Adeel / Mominah Mohteshim (Girls)

Office Prefect: Safwaan Mayet



OFFICE



*"COOPERATE WITH ONE ANOTHER IN GOODNESS AND RIGHTEOUSNESS..."
SURAH MAIDAH: 2*



YEAR 6 TRIP

to the Clink Museum

This is what happens when you don't listen!

We visited the Clink Prison Museum! It was a spooky adventure.

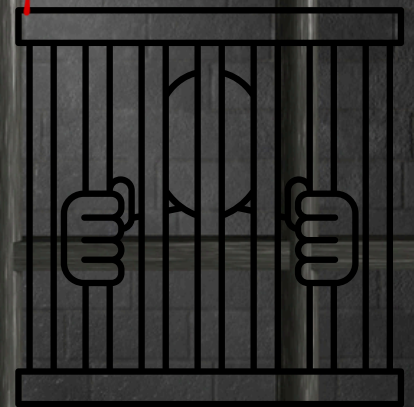
Off with the head!

The Clink
Prison Museum

Ms Sidra left us!

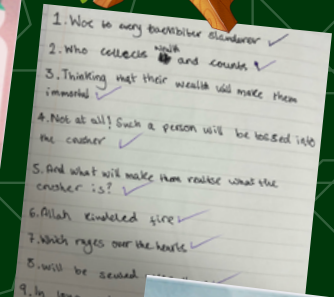
Fun fact:

The prison's name "The Clink" is thought to come from the sound made by the chains or the latch of the prison door. Over time, the word "clink" became slang for prison.

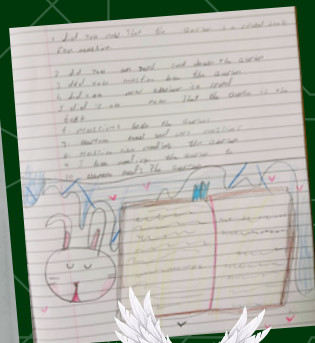
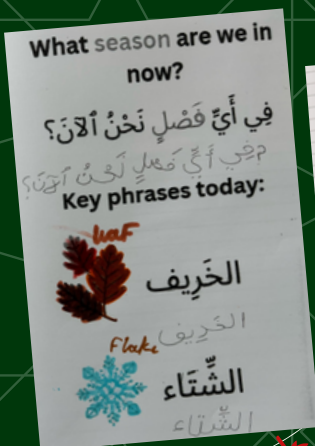
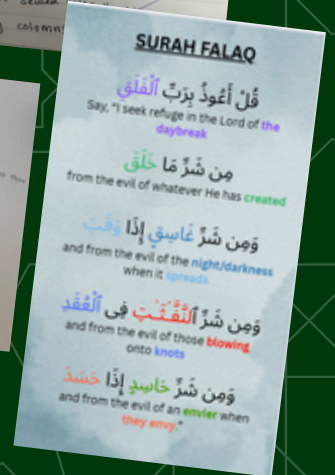
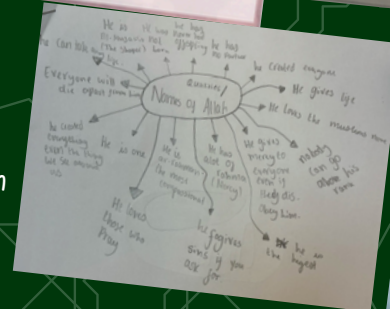


ISLAMIC STUDIES

Reception have settled in fantastically. They are well on the way to recognising all the Arabic alphabet and they have had a go at tracing and writing independently.



The Year 5s and 6s have been racing through the word to word definition of Surahs from Juz Amma and thinking of creative ways to link their knowledge to qualities of Allah as well as key lessons that they can implement into their own actions.



The Year 3s have been learning key Arabic vocabulary relating to the weather. In Islamic Studies classes they have been exploring the roles of Angels in Islam, the steps of Hajj and the virtues of the Qur'an!



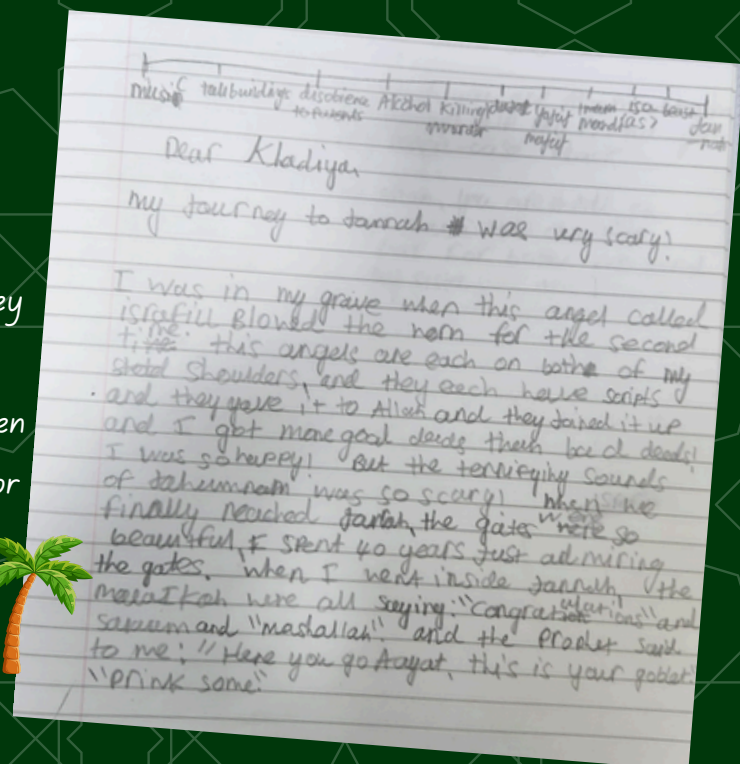
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In Year 1 we have been learning a corresponding word for each Arabic letter. This is our lovely nature themed display.



Year 2 have been having fun illustrating the tale of Adam (AS) as well as learning how to talk about their favourite foods. They've been working very hard on their Arabic handwriting!

Our Year 4 class have been learning about the journey through the Hereafter in detail, from the Day of Qiyamah all the way to life in Jannah! They have been very creative imagining what bounties are in store for them in the next world!



SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council members are elected by their classmates to act as their representatives & discuss school improvements with staff & SLT.

Congratulations to our elected representatives for 2025/2026:

Year 1: Sumayya Haseeb/Yusuf Malji
Year 2: Amreen Hasan/Idrees Waheed
Year 3: Areeha Umer/Mohamed Ali
Year 4: Asiya Panchbhaya/Ismaeel Waheed
Year 5: Haniya Khan/Zahrah Zaman
Year 6: Adam Basi/Ayesha Adeel

*What are
their plans for
the school this
year?*

I want to bring positive energy to both my class and the whole school to make sure we all enjoy learning together.

AYESHA ADEEL, YEAR 6

Well done to our Year 6 prefects for organising the School Council Elections!

I would like to make everyone happy and make the school a better place by getting more equipment.

ADAM BASI, YEAR 6



The **Governing Board** consists of those appointed by the Noor Ul Islam Trust, parents of pupils currently attending the school, co-opted community governors who do not have children in the school and the Headteacher.

Governors have statutory duties by which they are legally bound. The board is ultimately responsible for all matters relating to the school including teaching and learning, safeguarding, health and safety, staffing, premises and ensuring financial accountability. Governors play a strategic role; the head teacher is responsible for leading the school on a day-to-day basis.

Our duties include:

- **Setting strategic direction, policies and objectives**
- **Approving the school budget**
- **Appointing, challenging and supporting the headteacher**

Governors work closely with the headteacher and the senior leadership team to ensure that the school continues to improve and develop in all facets.

Governors do this by working together to develop a long-term vision for the school as well as school development plans.

Governors	Type of membership	Links
Zeenat Ali <i>Chair of Governors</i>	Trust governor	Curriculum & Teaching Inclusion/SEND, Admissions, Leadership & Governance
Fakruz Zaman	Parent Governor	Finance Islamic Ethos Safer Recruitment
Shazia Imtiaz	Community governor	Behaviour SMSC Complaints
Dr Afshan Killedar	Parent Governor	Safeguarding, Medical, EYFS
Nazneen Chowdhury	Community Governor	Health & Safety Attendance & Punctuality
Hussain Shefaar	Headteacher	N/A

Should you wish to contact a governor, you can do so through the school's office or email the school addressing the governors.

MEET THE PTFA TEAM

Saima Naseer: *Chair*

Pray you all are well Insha'Allah.

My name is Saima Naseer I have been part of NUI & PTFA since my eldest daughter joined Alhumdulillah. I have two daughters in the school (year 4 & 2) and my son has joined reception this year so doing it all over again Alhumdulillah.

I have helped in many fundraising events during our time at NUIPS. I took on the PTFA chair role last year Alhumdulillah. May Allah bless this journey, keep my intentions purely to please Him alone and allow us as a community to achieve the best for our school and children, Ameen.

PTFA's first event will take place on 7th November 2025, we look forward to seeing you all there helping and supporting everyone's efforts Insha'Allah.



Upcoming PTFA Events:

November - Winter Bazaar
February - Ramadan Event
April - Family Fun Day
June - Family Dinner

Maryum Mahmud: *Vice-Chair*

As-Salaamu alaykum, I'm Maryum, a proud mother of two. My daughter is currently in year 2 and now my son has just started in Reception. We have only been at the School since last year and already seeing the amazing impact it has had on our daughter. I'm thrilled to be joining the Noor Ul Islam community and being a part of the PTFA as vice-chair.

It's lovely to see the amazing work the PTFA has already achieved, and I'm looking forward to working with everyone in contributing my time and ideas to help enhance the school experience for our children. May Allah SWT give us the means and ability to do the best for His sake alone, Ameen.

Seema Vahora: *Secretary*

As'salaam'ailaikum, I'm Seema a working mum of 3! I have been a NUIPS mum for 3 full years this is my fourth year as my eldest is in Yr 3 and my middle one has now started Reception.

I have been a part of the PTFA team since May when I became a Secretary. The buzz of working at events and being a part of an amazing team has been the driving force of joining.

Alhamdulillah with the help of Allah SWT and the amazing community we have reached goals set with the PTFA and in'shaa'Allah going forward I look forward to more success, and promoting NUIPS!



CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Reception: Ayesha Ali for her outstanding ability to manage and express her emotions, make thoughtful choices, and be a positive role model to her classmates.

Year 1: Ubaydah Qadir for her kind and respectful nature towards all pupils and staff, and striving for excellence in her work with a positive mindset.

Year 2: Aasiyah Patel for consistently demonstrating outstanding effort, a positive attitude, and excellent manners.

Year 3: Hana Khan has made excellent progress this term, especially in developing greater confidence and persistence in her learning. Well done on a fantastic start to Year 3!

Year 4: Ariana Basi for being respectful and honest, showing mercy, promoting diversity, and using her wisdom to reflect.

Year 5: Haniya Khan consistently upholds our school value, setting an excellent example for her peers.

Year 6: Khadija Hussain for her diligence in her work, her kind and thoughtful attitude, and for setting a positive example to other pupils.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY SEP 2025 – OCT 2025

WHOLE SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE: 93.7%

PUNCTUALITY: 96.9%

Attendance		
Rank	Class	%
1st	Year 5	97.34%
2nd	Year 3	95.89%
3rd	Year 6	95.14%
4th	Year 4	95.03%
5th	Reception	93%
6th	Year 1	91.63%
7th	Year 2	90.63%

Punctuality		
Rank	Class	%
1st	Year 3	97.9%
2nd	Year 4	97.89%
3rd	Reception	97.23%
4th	Year 6	97.13%
5th	Year 2	96.87%
6th	Year 5	96.35%
7th	Year 1	95.59%



Friday 7th November
2:30 - 4 pm

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got dinner
covered on
Friday night!



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admissions interview in Feb/Mar
2026**

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