



Newsletter - Friday 3rd October 2025

Next week's menu is Week 3

Celebrations!



Very well done to the following children who received an Allstar nomination this week:

Ebenezer, Mantraa, Lyla, Joshua S, Thea, Keira

Attendance



Congratulations to Badger Class for having the highest attendance last week!

Applications to the Junior School

Please be aware that parents of children in Year 2 need to apply through Allocations at County Hall for a place at Thorpe Acre Junior School in Year 3. The deadline for this is 15th January 2026.

Harvest Festival donations

We are collecting tinned and dried items that will be distributed to those in need in Loughborough.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Teddy Bears Picnic – Reception

Letters have gone out inviting parents in for a Teddy Bears Picnic on Friday afternoon next week. Fingers crossed for dry weather!

World Mental Health Week

Next week is World Mental Health Week and to support this in school we have Emma and Eli from our Mental Health Support Team coming to school on Thursday lunchtime to do some activities with the children.

Dates for your diary:

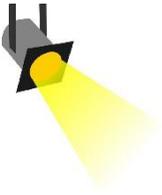
Tuesday 14th October – Y2, Y3, Y4 Harvest Festival at TAIS – 9.15am

Wednesday 15th October – Y2, Y3, Y4 Harvest Festival at TAJ – 9.15am

Friday 17th October – End of half term

Tuesday 28th October – Individual photos. Family photos with siblings not in school from 8am.

Have a lovely weekend.



Spotlight on Learning

Year R

English: The children have been learning the story of *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* with the help of actions and a story map.

Maths: Squirrels have been exploring size and mass. The children have learnt words such as 'bigger', 'smaller', 'heavier' and 'lighter'.

During outdoor learning the children tried porridge just like the Three Bears! We had a surprise visit from our own bear who asked us who had been eating his porridge!



Year 1

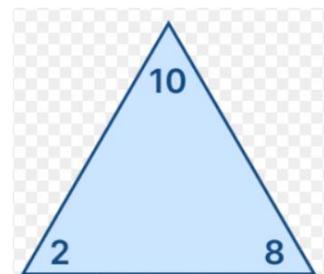
In Maths, the children in Year 1 have been learning how to use the more than, less than and equals symbols.

In History the children's grandparents came in and talked to the classes about their childhood's and how things were different in the past. .

In Science the children enjoyed using just their sense of smell to work out what a product was eg mint, vinegar.

Year 2

This week Year 2 have been adding and subtracting number bonds for 10, 20 and 100 thinking about fact families e.g. $2+8 = 10$, $8+ 2 = 10$ therefore $10-2 =8$ and $10-8 = 2$ They have used bar models and part whole models to represent these facts.



In Geography, they have learnt how sugar is produced in the UK and where it comes from. They looked at a variety of different products to see how many spoons of sugar they contained. Some foods were very surprising!

In DT, they have finished off the mechanisms on their castles and started decorating them. They are thinking about evaluating their designs and what they could have changed to make it work better.

In Science, they considered the questions 'Can paper be strong?' and worked together in groups to create bridges out of paper that would allow a toy car to pass over it without it collapsing. They used layers and folding to successfully make strong bridges!