



Prep Weekly

19th of September 2025



Message from Mr. Emery

We have had another fantastic week in Prep, full of learning, excitement, and community spirit. The children continue to show great enthusiasm in their lessons and are working hard as we move further into the term.

This week we were delighted to appoint our new Head Boy and Head Girl— Hugo Magill and Grace Till. We look forward to seeing them take on their new responsibilities with confidence, positivity, and pride as they set an excellent example for their peers.

Preparations for our upcoming Harvest Festivals are now well underway, and the children have been busy practising both their songs and presentations. It has been lovely to see them engaging with the meaning of Harvest and the importance of thankfulness and giving.

As always, I am proud of the effort, kindness, and sense of togetherness that shine through across our Prep community. Well done to all our pupils and a big thank you to staff for their continued hard work and care.

**Congratulations
to our new Head
Boy and Head Girl!**

(Picture to follow next week)

This Week's

WOW!

Award Winners

Noah Baxter
Issy Jones
Henry Whitlock
Teddy Jeffery
Tabitha Jeffery
Ben Partridge
Jacob Reynolds
Lilia Broom
Alice Thompson
Abigail Barr
James Shill
Sam Robinson
Rhianne Martin

THE WEEK AHEAD

22nd - 26th : Book Fair

23rd - Year 3 + 4 Teambuilding Event

24th - Year 1 + 2 Trip
Y6 Rugby at St Peters/ Y5 + 6 Tag Rugby at
Prep

25th - Flu Vaccinations
Year 3 + 4 Football at St Peters

PREP IN FOCUS!

THE LODGE – Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. Jones



This week we are continuing to explore construction by looking at different types of buildings and houses, as well as the people who might live in them. The children selected the buildings they wanted to design from a variety of pre-drawn pictures and photographs. They used an assortment of materials, including coloured felt, shiny silver paper, embossed white card, and red and yellow paper. The children carefully spread on some PVA glue onto the paper before selecting what materials they wanted to use. The children have been exploring the role play area, where they gathered around a set of wooden blocks. They worked together to build a house, demonstrating teamwork, sharing and communication skills! Great teamwork boys!

THE STABLES – Mrs. Wray-Chance



This week we have been busy in the Stables. The children have been copying their names, colouring in a rainbow and talking about things that they are good at! We have finished off our 'All about me' topic by making savoury faces. The children used their spreading skills to add cream cheese to a rice cracker and then added different items to make a face – some were happy faces and some were sad faces but all were a very tasty snack to take home! Following on from talking about our houses and who we live with, we have started working hard in our sensory tuff tray and our Construction role play area to build some elaborate structures on both small and large scale.

RECEPTION – Mrs. Ganner

Reception have been telling me all about their lovely families this week. We have drawn pictures of our parents, siblings, pets and talked about our extended families too! The children labelled their pictures and created shape houses to display them in. I was so impressed with their discussion, taking turns to speak and their super engagement. Well done Reception 🌟



PREP 1 – Mrs. May



Prep One have enjoyed the story of Supertato this week, and have loved discovering more about this superhero and the baddy, Evil Pea. You may well have heard that we discovered a hole in a frozen pea packet and all the peas, including Evil Pea, were missing! The children designed a Wanted poster to alert people about the escapees and described Evil Pea, so that everyone now knows who to look out for...

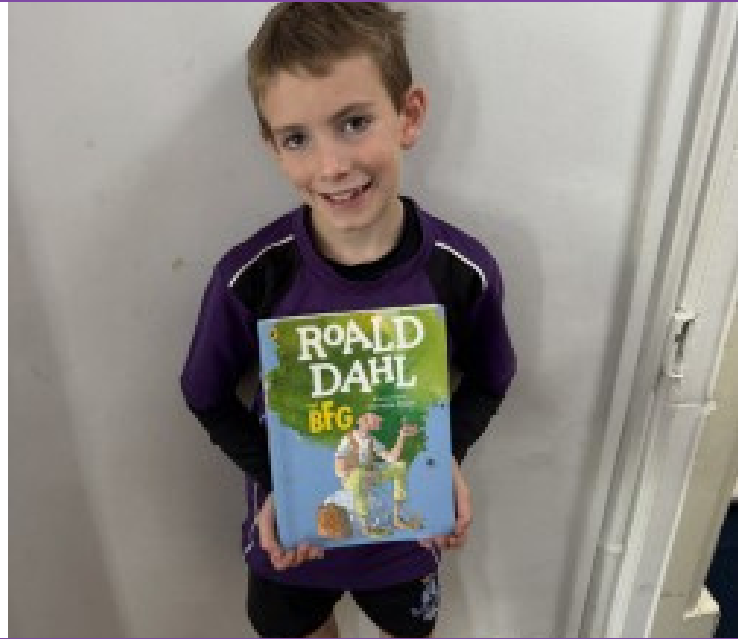
PREP 2 – Mrs. Miller



This week, Prep 2 have been continuing with their learning about place value and have explored numbers in many forms including numerals and words. Using Base 10, they have practiced partitioning the tens and ones and have investigated how to play around with the amounts. 52 can be partitioned easily into 50 + 2, but also into 40 + 12, 30 + 22 etc. This definitely caused some head scratching but they know if they are finding something tricky, then they are learning something new. 😊

PREP 3 – Mrs. Young

This week in English, Prep 3 have enjoyed reading our new class text the BFG by Roald Dahl. The class have been working hard to plan and write their own story openers, they have also answered comprehension questions relating to the text. It has been lovely to see the children volunteering to read the BFG aloud to the class. Keep up the fantastic work Prep 3!

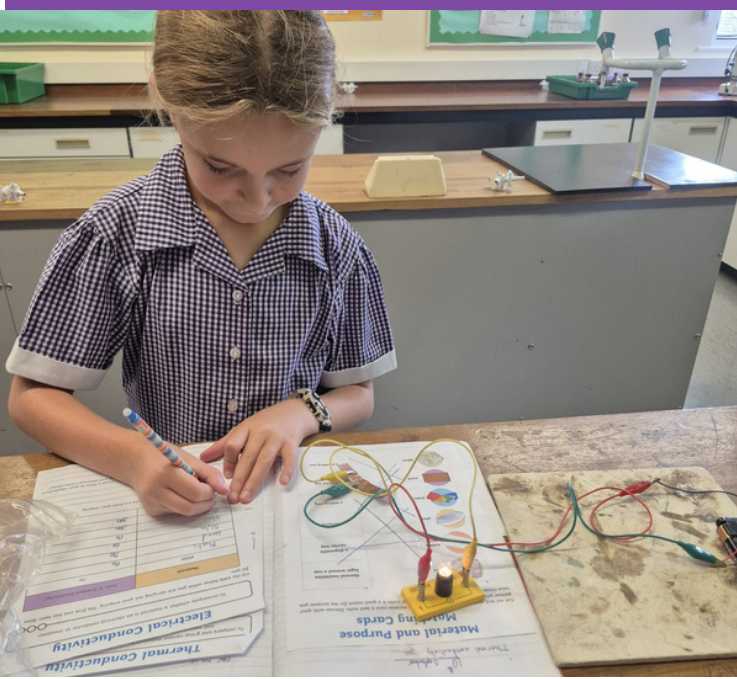


PREP 4 – Mrs. Hughes



This week Prep 4 have enjoyed learning about micro habitats in Science. Working as one group they were fascinated in learning about habitats within habitats and exploring our grounds to see what we could find. Amazingly, we found a lot of centipedes! I was impressed with how carefully the class handled them and showed respect towards our tiny animals!

PREP 5 – Mrs. Sutton



It's been a busy week in Prep 5. Everyone has been getting to grips with using fronted subordinate clauses to improve their writing and testing their map skills by using grid references to locate information on maps of the local area.

In Science, they have been experimenting with different materials to find out which are the best conductors of electricity. They even tried potatoes!

PREP 6 – Mr. Partridge

This week in Science we learnt about fossils and how they are used as proof about the theory of Evolution. We have also made fossils out of plaster of Paris, so we needed to wear safety glasses! It was so much fun!

(By Florence Foran)



Announcements



Due to new safeguarding regulations, adults are kindly asked to refrain from entering the children's changing rooms at any time of the day. Mondays till Thursdays, students are using them to change from swimming am and pm, so we have placed a barrier to ensure their privacy.

If your child does early morning swimming, please do not come into the building to drop their bags, but leave them outside the building and a member of staff will bring them in.

As always, if you need to meet a member of staff then we are always available on Dojo and can arrange an in person meeting if needed.

Thank you for your understanding.

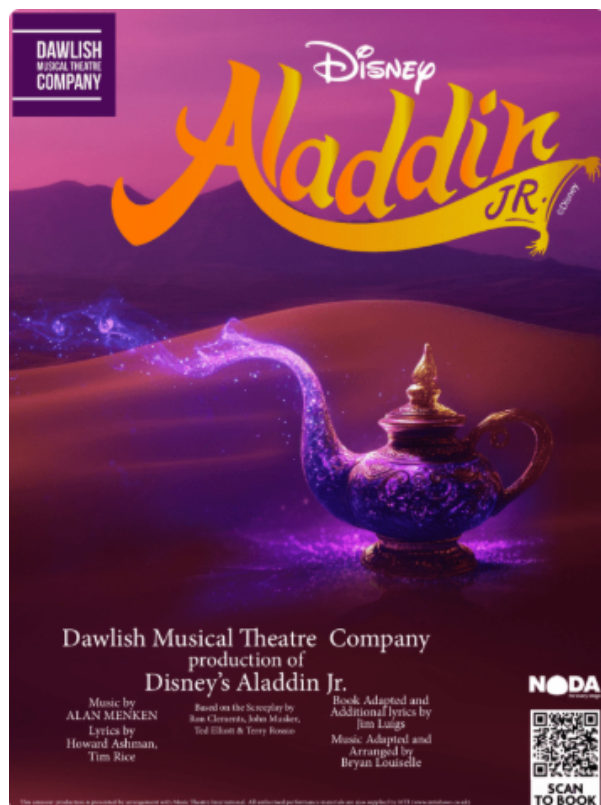
September Birthdays



Happy Birthday to the following Students who will celebrate their birthdays in September:

Eris Pascal
Carys Martin
India Bunney
Iris Clayton

Community News



StoryFest 2025 Is Nearly Here! 🎉

This October half term we are teaming up with Aardman. Look forward to the Vegetable Orchestra with Shaun the Sheep, clay model making, animation workshops, AR trails and more!

Library members get exclusive early bird access to all StoryFest tickets at 9am on 3rd October.

<https://devonstoryfest.co.uk>

