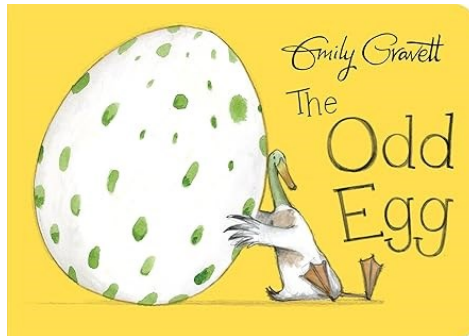




## The Odd Egg

YEAR1 have been enjoying their new English text, *The Odd Egg*. It tells the story of duck who is jealous of the other mother birds having eggs so he finds a mysterious egg and adopts it. After discovering a mysterious egg in the playground, the children carefully observed it and took on the responsibility of looking after it. When the egg finally hatched, it sparked great excitement and inspired lots of imaginative writing across the class.



### Dates for the diary

- 19th January—After school clubs begin
- 27th January—Y4 Chertsey Museum visit
- 4th February—Year 5 Trip to Hampton Court
- 10th February—Dental Hygiene with the School Nurse (Infants)
- 12th February—Year 3 Egyptian Day
- 13th February—end of first half term. School closes at the normal time.
- 16th—20th February **SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF TERM**
- 23rd February—Children return to school
- 26th February—Parent/Teacher Consultations 2-7.30pm **SCHOOL CLOSSES EARLY—NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**
- 2nd March—Wellbeing Week. **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**

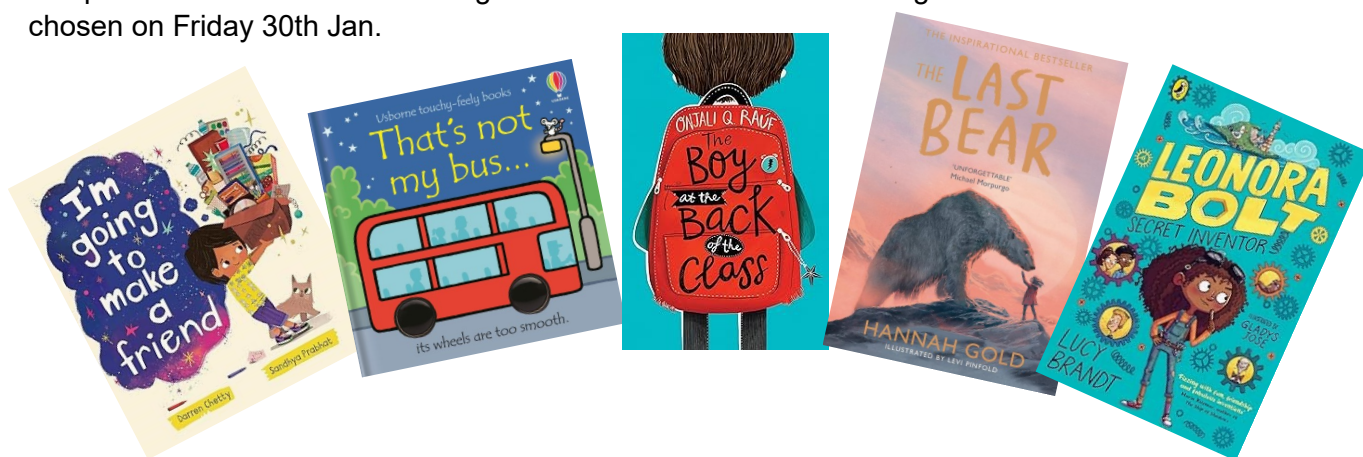
# Exciting Reading News!

The National Year of Reading 2026 is a UK-wide campaign designed to inspire more people to make reading a regular part of their lives. Here at ACE we will be having a greater focus on reading throughout the year.

This includes monthly competitions, weekly parent reading slots, library visits, reading buddies and much more.

There will be lots for parents to join in with so please help us to celebrate the joy of reading with your child.

This month's competition was launched today in worship. Your children are being asked to read books written by authors they have not read before. Please make use of your local library to support these competitions. Raffle tickets will be given for books read and a winning ticket from each class will be chosen on Friday 30th Jan.



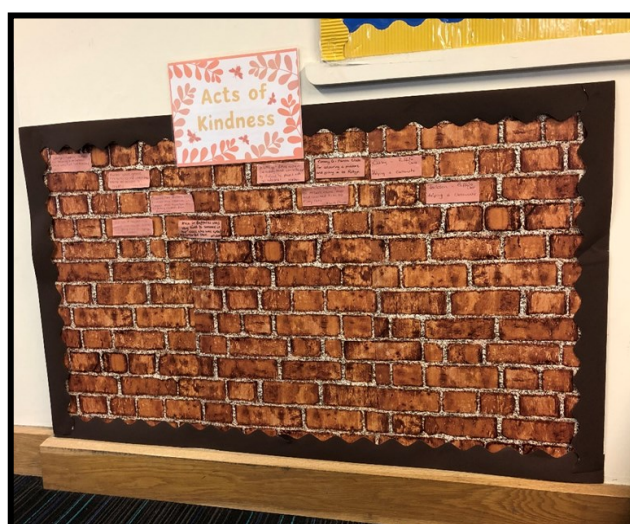
## Equal Access for ACE Girls

WE were delighted to find out that we had won this award for actively helping to provide equal access to the girls football provision. As women's football becomes more and more popular we hope that we may see one of our ACE girls become a Lioness in the future!



## An Act of Kindness

OUR value for this half term is compassion. We have erected an act of kindness wall and gradually the bricks are filling up with all the kind things our children have been doing. Don't forget to let us know if your child has shown an act of kindness at home.





# We want to say thank you

## Have you seen our new Reception classrooms?

Last Easter they were transformed with new flooring, full redecoration and a new sliding door to create fantastic flexible teaching spaces. The rooms look great and we are seeing clear benefits every day, especially quieter spaces that support children's reading and phonics.

We would like to say a huge **thank you to the parents who contribute to our School Improvement Fund**. Without your generous support, our most recent project simply would not have been possible. Every donation, no matter the size, goes directly towards improving the learning environment for our children.

As a church school, we rely on parental contributions to unlock further funding, with every £1 donated allowing us to apply for an additional £9 from the Diocese. Contributions are voluntary, with suggested amounts of just £5 per month. Payments can be made by standing order or online via your Tucasi account, with Gift Aid increasing donations by a further 25%.

Thank you for your continued support, it truly makes a big difference and helps us create the best possible learning environment for all our children

THANK  
YOU!



# Five Loaves, Two Fishes



THIS week in collective worship, pupils reflected on the Bible story of The Feeding of the Five Thousand and our school value of compassion. We explored how Jesus noticed the needs of the large crowd and chose to act with care and kindness, ensuring that no one went hungry. The children were



particularly impressed with how a small act of sharing, one boy offering his lunch, helped make a big difference. We discussed how compassion means noticing when others need help and doing something about it, even in small ways. The children were encouraged to think about how they can show compassion in school and at home through kindness, sharing, and looking out for one another. We looked again at the Bible verse shared in last week's worship,



"When Jesus saw the crowd his heart was filled with compassion, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So, he began teaching them many things."

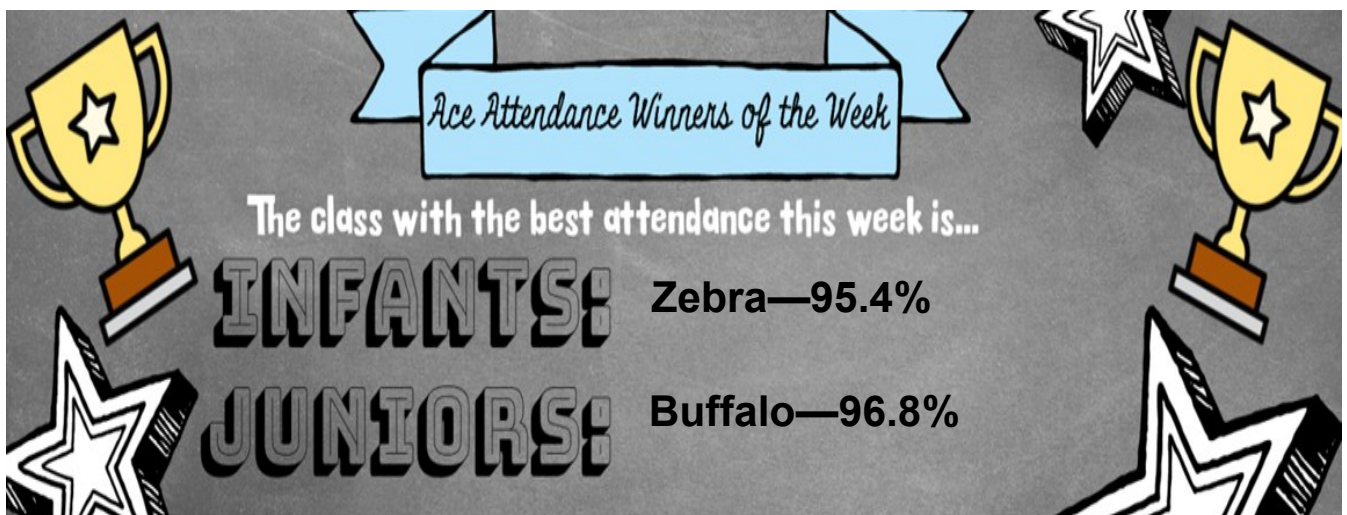
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We discussed the many different ways we could show compassion at school and at home.



House Points:

**COMING SOON!**



Our attendance target is 96%

Whole school this week 93.6%



# ACE Celebration Stars of the Week

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Reason</b>
<b>Koala</b>	<b>Muhammad</b>	<b>For amazing creative learning on the subject of space</b>
	<b>Jayden S</b>	<b>For fantastic contributions during our RE lesson on people who are special to us</b>
<b>Kangaroo</b>	<b>Louis &amp; Quincy</b>	<b>For showing perseverance and working together to build a race car track in class</b>
<b>Tiger</b>	<b>Charlie A</b>	<b>For his fantastic effort in writing this week</b>
	<b>Dante K</b>	<b>For his perseverance in our phonics and guided reading session every day</b>
<b>Panda</b>	<b>Max W</b>	<b>For his excellent contributions during our science investigation about floating and sinking</b>
	<b>Milina K</b>	<b>For super writing about the odd egg</b>
<b>Zebra</b>	<b>Leo L</b>	<b>For great contribution and questioning in science</b>
	<b>Ella B</b>	<b>For always being willing to help others in the classroom</b>
<b>Giraffe</b>	<b>Freya P</b>	<b>For excellent effort when sharing equally in maths</b>
	<b>Corey</b>	<b>For excellent effort during PE when holding balances</b>
<b>Lemur</b>	<b>Ismail R</b>	<b>For superb effort in mathematical reasoning</b>
	<b>Advika N</b>	<b>For her perseverance learning about multiplying a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number</b>
<b>Meerkat</b>	<b>Ryan A</b>	<b>For excellent understanding of multiplication methods</b>
	<b>Keimi S</b>	<b>For her accurate skeleton she created in science</b>
<b>Rhino</b>	<b>Rosie N</b>	<b>For always being kind and considerate towards others</b>
	<b>Oliver G</b>	<b>For fantastic progress with his reasoning skills in maths</b>
<b>Elephant</b>	<b>Adeela</b>	<b>For making a real improvement in her writing</b>
	<b>Max C</b>	<b>For great painting using tint and tone to create a 3D effect</b>
<b>Llama</b>	<b>Jack JD</b>	<b>For his active participation in whole class learning</b>
	<b>Ben A</b>	<b>For his excellent behaviour for learning since the start of the Spring term</b>
<b>Buffalo</b>	<b>Hossein</b>	<b>Excellent focus and understanding in maths this week</b>
	<b>Joshua T</b>	<b>For his outstanding attitude to learning</b>
<b>Panther</b>	<b>Christian</b>	<b>For his enthusiastic participation and impressive skills in gymnastics</b>
	<b>Winston C</b>	<b>For persevering when faced with a challenge and demonstrating a positive attitude</b>
<b>Leopard</b>	<b>Florence</b>	<b>For her positive attitude and perseverance throughout the week</b>
	<b>Eloise S</b>	<b>For superb progress in arithmetic, reflecting her hard work and effort in maths and early morning work</b>