

Friday 21st November 2025

What an incredible day we've had celebrating Times Tables Rock Stars Day 🎸! Our school was buzzing with energy as children arrived dressed in their amazing rockstar costumes—complete with leather jackets, sunglasses, glitter, and plenty of attitude! It was fantastic to see everyone getting into the spirit and bringing such creativity and confidence to the day.



Pupils enjoyed a range of fun activities designed to build fluency and confidence with their times tables. The enthusiasm and

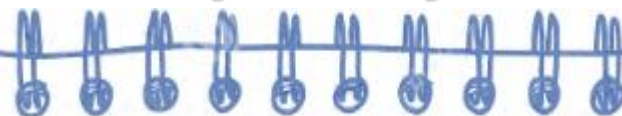
determination on display showed just how exciting learning can be when we all rock out together! We'd like to encourage families to continue supporting times tables practice at home. Just a few minutes each day—whether on TTRS, with flashcards, or through quick-fire quizzes—makes a huge difference to children's progress. [Times Tables Rock Stars: Play](#) - Thank you for helping keep the momentum going!

This week we have provided Sponsor forms for this year's Great Athletes event. This is a social enterprise that brings the country's top athletes to primary schools to run energetic events that inspire kids to be more active and pursue their goals. The visit is typically for half a day with a motivational fitness circuit and an inspirational assembly.



The children are sponsored to complete a fun fitness circuit alongside the athlete. The money raised will be used by us to support greater physical activity in school and to enable Great Athletes to keep running and support & fund top athletes to compete and train at the highest level. Last year this funded our PE and playground equipment, including the basketball nets. [Joe Roebuck - Great Athletes](#)

Dates for your diary...



26th-28th November: Year 6 Residential to Lea Green

2nd December: Great British Athlete event: Joe Roebuck

3rd December: Year 3 visit to Creswell Craggs

3rd December: Year 4 Kahlo Class Assembly – 8:30am school hall for parents and carers of Kahlo Class.

8th December: Sign and Sing Event at Derby Theatre

10th December: Year 4 Berners-Lee Class Assembly - 8:30am school hall for parents and carers of Berners-Lee Class.

10th December: Year 3 & 6 Pantomime at Nottingham Theatre Royal – Cinderella.

11th Dec: Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day & School Christmas Dinner

17th Dec: Year 5 & 6 visit St Andrew's Church (pm) for Christmas Service (pupils only)

18th Dec: Year 3 and 4 visit St Andrews Church (am) for Christmas Service (pupils only)

19th Dec: Last day of Autumn Term – Happy Christmas!

6th January (Tuesday) – first day of Spring Term



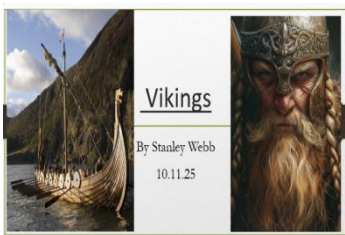
Amazing array of costumes for our Times Tables Rock Star Day!

Year 5 Visit to Tamworth Castle

Year 5 enjoyed an exciting trip to Tamworth Castle as part of their Vikings and Anglo-Saxons topic. The children explored real castle rooms, discovered ancient artefacts, and learned how the Anglo-Saxons defended their land. They tried on helmets and shields, practised forming shield walls, and listened to stories about Viking raiders.



A castle guide explained how people lived, worked, and protected themselves long ago. The trip brought history to life, helping everyone imagine what it was like during battles and daily life in early medieval England. It was a fun & educational day that made the past feel real and unforgettable.



Home learning continues to flow in from Year 5 with an amazing selection of swords, shields and fact sheets. Stanley shared his own PowerPoint with his class – I hear it was very informative!

Our Values Award Winners

Our Values Award winners received their certificates this week in our whole school values assembly.

Year 3:

Attenborough: **Scarlett – Confidence**
 Carson: **Emmy – Aspiration**
 Goodall: **Joey – Confidence**

Year 4:

Kahlo: **Clara B – Determination**
 Berners-Lee: **Finley S – Determination**
 Hadid: **Alfie – Determination**

Year 5:

Ayling-Ellis: **Jacob B – Confidence**
 Tull: **Ethan – Enthusiasm**
 Hawking: **Oliver – Enthusiasm**

Year 6:

Arkwright: **Riley – Enthusiasm**
 Gregg: **Leo J – Confidence**
 Hallam: **Cohen – Respect**

**RESPECT
 CONFIDENCE
 DETERMINATION
 ENTHUSIASM
 ASPIRATION
 KINDNESS**

This award recognises pupils **for living our school values** and inspiring others to follow. Well done to you all!

Attendance

This week, our 100% attendance award winner was Alena in Year 5, who chose a non-uniform day for herself and a friend. Overall attendance was **96.1 %** this week and our top 3 classes were:

Goodall 99.64%

Arkwright 98%

Ayling-Ellis 98%

We work together to ensure good school attendance: we are here to support the children and our families.



Attendance support will be provided by our whole school team, with our Family Support Worker available to signpost help and services. [Langley Mill Academy - Early help](#) & [Langley Mill Academy - Attendance](#)