

**Diary Dates** 



23.07.25 03.09.25 04.09.25 05.09.25 22.05.26 22.07.26

Holidays 2025 - 2026

Open Close Summer 2025

Tue 22.04.25 Thu 22.05.25 Mon 02.06.25 Tue 22.07.25

Autumn 2025

Mon 08.09.25 Fri 24.10.25 Mon 03.11.25 Fri 19.12.25

Spring 2026

Mon 05.01.26 Fri 13.02.26 Mon 23.02.26 Fri 27.03.26

Summer 2026

Mon 13.04.26 Thu 21.05.26 Mon 01.06.26 Tue 21.07.26

#### July

**Tue 22.07.25** Leavers assembly 12.45pm. School finishes at 1.30pm

### September

Mon 08.09.25 School opens Fri 26.09.25 Celebration assembly

# Words from the Woods! Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

'From small beginnings come great things'
The parable of The Mustard Seed. Matthew 13: 31-32

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another academic year, I'm delighted to share my final newsletter of the term. This last half-term has flown by, and it's been a pleasure to reflect on all that we've achieved as a school community.

The children have shown incredible effort, resilience, and positivity throughout the year. I'd like to give a special mention to our Year 6 pupils, who have made better-than-expected progress in their academic studies. You've worked so hard and should be incredibly proud of everything you've achieved—well done, Year 6!

A heartfelt thank you must also go to our dedicated staff, whose passion and commitment to our pupils is unwavering. This year, we were proud to be awarded 'Sustained Status' for the teaching and learning of phonics and reading by the English Hub. This recognition confirms that our practice is strong and consistent, and we are now a showcase school for others to visit and learn from.

We also completed the first year of our four-year journey with the Virtual School to become a Trauma Informed School. While only a small number of our pupils have experienced trauma or adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), this approach supports all children, whether they have SEND, emotional needs, or none at all. Since adopting these strategies, we've already seen positive changes in behaviour and emotional regulation across the school. Our classrooms feel even calmer and more focused, with a stronger sense of wellbeing among pupils.

This year also marks the final stage of our work with The Maths Hub. The introduction of the Maths Mastery approach has not only raised the standard of maths across the school but also helped pupils develop a more confident and resilient attitude to learning. It supports all learners, challenging our most able and nurturing those who find maths more difficult.

We are incredibly proud of what we've achieved this year. Most importantly, our children are happy, safe, and thriving, developing the confidence and skills they need to reach their full potential.



I'd also like to thank you, our parents and carers, for your continued support and for recommending our school to other families. I'm thrilled to say that, for the first time since becoming Headteacher in 2017, we have a full Reception intake for the upcoming academic year. This is a real testament to the strength of our school community.

One of the things I love most about Cadmore is its strong family feel. The positive relationships between parents, families, and staff are built on mutual trust and respect. We look out for one another and work together in a way that truly reflects our school's core values.

A big thank you also goes to our Chair of Governors, Oliver Westby, and the Governing Board for their continued hard work and support. In the new academic year, we'll be advertising for two new parent governors to join our board. This is a fantastic opportunity to help shape the future direction of the school and be part of a team that's dedicated to helping every child thrive.

And now for some exciting news! When the children return in September, they'll be welcomed by brand-new toilets and a new class set of laptops - a wonderful addition to our school environment.

Before we break up, we'll be holding our Year 6 Leavers' Service at St Mary le Moor Church in Cadmore End on Tuesday 22nd July at 12.45pm. Children in Classes 2 to 4 will be attending. Please remember that school will finish at 1:30pm on this day. There will be no after-school care, but Breakfast Club will run as normal.

I hope to see many of you before the end of term, but if not, I wish you all a safe, restful, and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 8th September.

Warm regards Mrs Groom Headteacher

### **News from Class 1**

We have had a very enjoyable half term in Class 1. Our topic has been 'Once Upon a Time' and we have enjoyed basing our activities on traditional tales as well as pirate and mermaid texts.

Our topic was kick started by a surprise discovery that someone had been in our classroom. They'd left some clues, such as a hair bow, a broken chair, some footprints and some half-eaten porridge. The children used their







detective skills to spot the clues and then made 'Wanted' posters to find out where cheeky Goldilocks was. The next day, she kindly wrote to us to apologise for the mess, and gifted us some porridge oats and toppings to make some of our own! The children really enjoyed this and there were clean bowls all round!



The Nursery children have been very creative over the last few weeks, making trolls out of paper plates during our Billy Goats Gruff topic, Gingerbread men with scented playdough and beautiful crowns inspired by 'The Princess and the Pea'.







During the very hot weather we have encountered, Class 1 have had a lot of fun cooling down with plenty of water play. They have also explored ice and used different resources, techniques and lots of patience to free toys frozen in the ice.



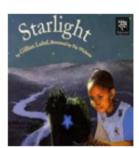






# News from Class 2

As always Class 2 have been busy writing another book, based on the delightful book 'Starlight.'



We hope you have enjoyed reading all the books the children have produced they have worked incredibly hard.



Year 1 have been developing their understanding of Place Value within 100, Money and Time

Year 2 have looked at Statistics, Position and direction.



This term, our young scientists have been busy exploring the wonderful world of plants! We have been investigating what plants need to grow, including sunlight, water, soil, and air. The children carried out simple experiments, made careful observations, and grew plants in different environments.



In History this term, we have been exploring how travel and transport have changed over time. From horse drawn carriages to steam trains, bicycles and aeroplanes. The children have enjoyed comparing the ways people used to travel with how we get around today. They have loved learning about key inventions



In RE this term, the children have been learning about different places of worship, focusing on the church and the synagogue. As part of our learning, we visited our local church, where Mrs Sims kindly gave us a guided tour. She talked to us about the different features of the church and their significance. The children really enjoyed this visit and it was a wonderful opportunity to bring their learning to life!

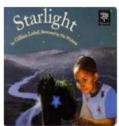


















To bring our *Starlight* story to life, Mrs Hazell helped the children make brilliant hobbyhorses in Forest School. Then, with Mrs Sims' help, they added the final touches eyes, ears, and noses. They were all super cute, and each one had its own little personality!

Thank you Mrs Hazell.

We have had a truly amazing year. Miss Dani, Mrs Sims, and I are incredibly proud of all the children and everything they have achieved, well done to each one of them!

As we head into the summer holidays, we would like to thank you for your continued support this year and wish you all a safe and restful break.

Although we are sad to say goodbye to our wonderful Year 2 children, we know they will continue to shine as they move on to Year 3. We will miss them all but we are excited to see all they accomplish in the future!

In the words of Dr Seuss:

'Don't be sad because it's over, smile because it happened.'

Mrs Baird, Miss Dani & Mrs Sims.



# News from Class 3

As the year draws to a close for Class 3, it's been wonderful to reflect on everything we've achieved together. One of the highlights of our year has been our work on the book Charlotte's Web. The children have loved exploring the story and its characters, and this has inspired some fantastic creative writing, including their own stories and thoughtful diary entries written from the perspectives of different characters.

In the final weeks, our afternoons looked a little different as we paused our usual lessons to focus on rehearsing for our end-of-year production, Hoodwinked. The children showed great enthusiasm, teamwork and confidence on stage, and the play was a brilliant success that we were all proud of. A big thank you to all the parents who attended! We hope you enjoyed the show!

Thank you for such a lovely year! To the Year 4s, it has been a joy to teach you and I wish you good luck in Class 4! To the year 3, have a wonderful summer. I look forward to teaching you all again next year!

## **News from Class 4**

As the school year comes to an end I'd like to reflect on what has been a really busy but enriching time for the children. With the year 6 SATS out the way and the temperatures starting to soar, we entered into rehearsals for the end of year production 'Hoodwinked'. This was a very new experience for most of the children, but their enthusiasm and hard work paid off – it was great to see so many of you supporting the children over the two performances!

Following this, the children dusted down their bikes for two days of cycle training in Lane End. Being on the road, was a very new experience for most of those involved but under the excellent guidance of Robin and Karen from 'Bikeability' all managed their Level 2 road awareness certificate!

We have, though, all been enjoying our class reading book 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. It continues to inspire the children to write and immerse themselves in an engaging adventure story set in the Amazon Rainforest – I just hope we have time to finish it by Tuesday!

Finally, we would like to wish our Year 6's all the best in the next chapter of their lives. They have been a credit to our school and I hope they remember their time here at Cadmore End as a friendly, safe, fun and inspiring place to learn! We also wish you all a safe, relaxing Summer break and will see the Year 5's back here in September!



# **Celebration Assembly**

| Class | Award            | Name       | Reason   |
|-------|------------------|------------|--|
| 1     | Star of the Week | Harmony    | For being much more confident at contributing on the carpet, particularly in maths lessons! Well done!         |
|       | Science          | Penny      | Correctly identifying what we need to do to keep safe in the sun.  |
|       | Maths            | Sumaya     | For excellent contributions in maths lessons and showing a good understanding of doubling.                     |
|       | Writer           | Chardonnay | For trying extremely hard with her letter formation.   |
|       | Values           | Beau       | For showing great respect to the older children in breakfast club and sharing the resources so well with them. |
| Class | Award            | Name       | Reason   |
| 2     | Star of the Week | Remy       | For showing great enthusiasm in everything.  |
|       | Science          |            | N/A  |
|       | Maths            | Scarlett   | For trying so hard in hard in maths.   |
|       | Writer           | Sophie     | For writing wonderful stories.   |
|       | Values           | Tanner     | For always being a polite and helpful member of our class.   |
| Class | Award            | Name       | Reason   |
| 3     | Star of the Week | Taite      | For making an excellent start  |
|       | Science          |            | N/A  |
|       | Maths            | Matas      | For making excellent progress  |
|       | Writer           | Henry      | For making big improvements  |
|       | Values           | Edie       | For showing kindness to a new friend   |
| Class | Award            |            | Reason   |
| 4     | Star of the Week | Sophie     | For your courage, resilience and excellent cycling skills during Bikeabilty training this week!                |
|       | Science          | Layton     | For your consistently good enthusiasm and contributions in lessons.  |
|       | Maths            | Thea Grace | For your quiet confidence and fantastic attitude to learning!  |
|       | Writer           | Phoebe     | For your progress and attitude to learning this term.  |
|       | Values           | Logan      | For always being kind, respectful and good natured around school.  |