

Date: 16/01/2026

Newsletter

Good afternoon,

We have had a fantastic week at school filled with lots of enthusiasm and learning. The children have been working really hard and have learnt lots. It has been great to see such positive energy across our school this week.

Mr Woodward and Mr Ford

Notices

National Year of Reading – Book hunt

Next week, the Head Pupils will be going out of school to go and hide 6 books in and around Glossop. The book hunt has been created to help get the whole of Glossop Reading. If you find one of the books, please read it, write your name in the front cover and then go and hide it again! We are really looking forward to seeing how many people read the books and how far they travel. Please let us know if you find and read one of the books!

TTRockstars/Number Day

We're excited to announce that we'll be celebrating TTRockstars/Number Day on Friday 30th January! Children are invited to come to school wearing TTRockstars clothing (they may dress as their TTRockstars character if they have one), rock star-style clothing, or anything with numbers on it — such as number-themed clothes or even homemade designs (Google has lots of ideas too!)

We are also going to be competing against other Glossop schools in the "Battle of the Glossop Schools", where children will have two weeks (from 30th January - 13th February) to achieve as many correct answers as possible. This includes questions answered both in school and at home.

Clothing

Please ensure that your children wrap up warmly over the next few weeks, as we are expecting some extremely cold weather. Although we offer indoor play (if the children choose and weather/temperature dependent), they love to play outside! Please also ensure that all clothing is clearly named including hats, scarves and gloves.

Nursery places

Just a reminder we have some Nursery places available. If you know someone whose child is over 3 years old, get them to come and have a look at our brilliant Nursery and pick up a new starter form.

Social Media

Did you know we're on social media? You can follow us on **Facebook (Whitfield St James' CE Primary School)**, **Instagram (wsjprimary)** and **X (schoolwsj)** to keep up to date with news, events and celebrations from across our school and local community. We use our social media platform as a 'window' into school life and not

as a communication method (please continue to use Class Dojo) We'd love for you to **follow, like and share our posts** to help spread the word.

PTA events

Our next PTA event will be the movie night, we will be sending out a letter next week so that your child can choose the film they want to watch.

Upcoming dates for the diary

30.01.26	TTRockstars/Number Day
03.02.26	PTA Movie Night

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please be aware that these dates may change. We will keep you updated via text or Class Dojo if they do change.

Date	Event
30.01.26	TTRockstars/Number Day
03.02.26	PTA Movie Night
09.02.26-12.02.26	Children's mental health week
10.02.26	Safer Internet Day
13.02.26	INSET
14.02.26-22.02.26	HALF TERM
23.02.26	Children's first day back
02.03.26-06.03.26	Book Week – 06.03.26 World Book Day
06.03.26	PTA Wonka Bar
17.03.26	Parents' Evening 1
19.03.26	Parents' Evening 2
20.03.26	Red Nose Day
25.03.26	Easter Service
27.03.26	INSET Day
28.03.26-12.04.26	EASTER HOLIDAYS
13.04.26	Children's first day back
22.04.26	Spring music concert in church (provisional date)
01.05.25	PTA non-uniform day – children's tombola/gifts
04.05.26	Bank Holiday
11.05.26-14.05.26	SATs week
19.05.26	PTA Disco
22.05.26	INSET Day
23.05.26-31.05.26	HALF TERM
01.06.26	Children's first day back

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Headteacher: Mr Woodward **Head of School:** Mr Ford

09.06.26	PTA Scoot and Skate KS2
12.06.26	PTA non-uniform day – TBC
16.06.25	PTA Scoot and Skate EYFS/KS1
17.06.26-19.06.26	Y6 Residential
22.06.26	Sports Day Nursery 9:15/R-Y2 10:30/KS2 1pm
26.06.26	PTA non-uniform day - Bottles PTA summer fair
03.07.26	Transition day
08.07.26	Summer music concert in school (provisional date)
14.07.26	Y6 Leavers' play 2pm/6pm
16.07.26	Y6 Leavers' party
23.07.26	Y6 Leavers' assembly to parents 2:30pm Last day