

WILLERSEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



*We learn together in
FAITH, FUN and FRIENDSHIP*

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Week Commencing 28 th Sept 2026		UPCOMING EVENTS	
Mon	8am Breakfast Club	Mon	
Tues	8am Breakfast Club	Tues	
Wed	8am Breakfast Club	Wed	
Thurs	8am Breakfast Club	Thurs	
Fri	8am Breakfast Club	Fri	

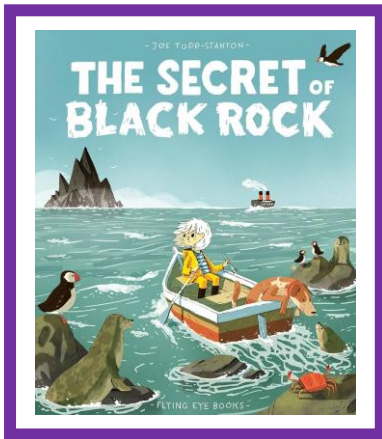
Class 1

Reception children have been settling into full-time school life really well! They have been enjoying their busy days and are engaging brilliantly in both phonics and maths lessons. In phonics, they have learnt the sounds **s, a, t, p, i, n, m and d** and have already started to use these sounds to read simple words such as *sat* and *pat*. It has been lovely to see their confidence growing as they begin to apply their phonics skills independently.

Year 1 and Year 2 children are enjoying our new **Science topic on Everyday Materials**. They have been exploring different materials and thinking about their properties and the objects they are used to make. During our **PSHE** lessons, the whole class has also been discussing the importance of sharing resources and toys, and thinking about how we can be considerate and respectful towards one another.

We have also **reintroduced our Worry Monster**. The children can write down any worries they may have and put them into the Worry Monster, who looks after them throughout the day. We then take time to talk through the worries together at the end of the day. Some children also like to keep a small worry doll in their pocket during the school day. We remind the children that their worry dolls need to stay at school and not travel home with them. However, if a worry doll does accidentally make its way home, please don't worry — simply bring it back into school the following day!

Willersey's Book Corner



The Secret of Black Rock by Joe Todd Stanton

What is it about?

The Secret of Black Rock is a beautifully illustrated adventure about Erin, a brave young girl who is determined to discover the truth about the mysterious Black Rock. As we followed Erin beneath the waves, we discovered more about the creatures that live in the sea and why Black Rock is so important.

What did we think?

"I liked that the dog was called Archie!" A., Year 2

"I liked the black rock because it's like a big mountain." A., Reception

"My favourite bit was the big machines" C., Reception

"I liked the part when all the boats came and saw all the sea creatures." L., Year 1

"My favourite part was when Erin skipped to tell everyone about the rock". S., Year 2

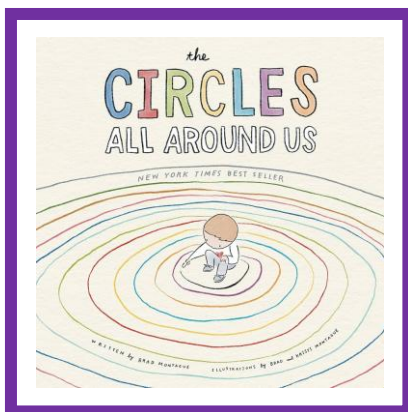
If you enjoyed this book, you might also like...



The Unexpected
Visitor by J.
Courtney Tickle



Clean Up! by
Nathan Bryon
and Dapo Adeola



The Circles All Around Us by Brad and Kristi Montague

What is it about?

This is the story of a circle. When we're first born, our circle is very small, but as we grow and build relationships, our circle keeps getting bigger and bigger to include family, friends, neighbours, community, and beyond.

What did we think?

"I liked the part where all the people were helping each other." T., Year 1

"I loved it!" L., Reception

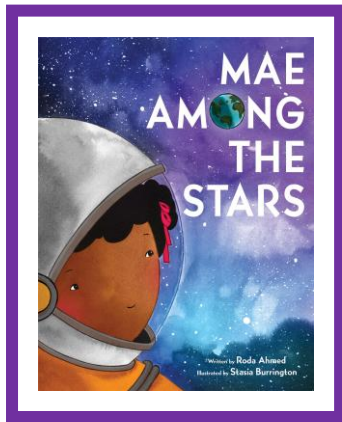
"My favourite part was at the end when the circles connected!" L., Year 1

If you enjoyed this book, you might also like...



Here We Are
by Oliver
Jeffers

My self, Your
self by Esme
Shapiro



Mae Among the Stars by Roda Ahmed

What is it about?

Inspired by the story of Mae Jemison, the first African American woman in space.

When Little Mae was a child, she dreamed of dancing in space. She imagined herself surrounded by billions of stars floating gliding and discovering. Her mom told her, "If you believe it, and work hard for it, anything is possible."

What did we think?

"My favourite part was when Mae went to space and her dream came true!"

R., Year 2

"I think Mae felt sad and blue when her teacher told her she couldn't follow her dreams." E., Year 1

If you enjoyed this book, you might also like...



Mae Jemison
(Little People, Big
Dreams)

Meanwhile
Back on Earth
by Oliver
Jeffers

Class 2

We have been learning all about Rosa Parks and her incredible courage to change the laws in America. In our story about Katherine Johnson working at NASA we are starting to see the struggles Katherine faced from a very young age, including having to move towns to go to high school.

Place value and partitioning are our key words in Maths. We have been looking at numbers up to one thousand and one million. We have been writing and recording numbers as well as problem solving.

Alexander the great was born in Pella Macedonia and had a keen interest in Science. We have been working on an historical enquiry ready to create some information pages on his life.

We all headed to Chipping Campden for the annual school Cross country. We had our best results in 10 years and every child in the class got a place in their race which helped towards an overall total. We are also pleased to bring home three medals. Well done Class 2!

Willersey Village Treasure Hunt

WILLERSEY
VILLAGE
TREASURE
HUNT

in aid of the
NUMBER 4
CRACKED CHURCH BELL

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2026

START/FINISH WILLERSEY CHURCH
FIRST START 2.00PM
(TEAMS DEPART EVERY 5 MINUTES)

FAMILY FRIENDLY WALKING EVENT

MAXIMUM 5 PEOPLE PER TEAM

GRAND PRIZE
AWARDED TO THE
FASTEST TEAM WITH
THE MOST CORRECT ANSWERS

BONUS GAMES AND ACTIVITIES

TRAIL SHEETS:
£15
PER TEAM
PAID IN ADVANCE

BOOK YOUR SLOT NOW!

REFRESHMENTS FOR SALE
Delicious cakes and hot and cold drinks

BOOKING DEADLINE
MONDAY 21ST
SEPTEMBER 2026

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Role on the Friends of School

Due to increasing work commitments, I have made the difficult decision to step down as chair of Friends of School. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time and helping to raise so much money for the school alongside the parents and volunteers have been great.

I will continue in the role until we find a replacement. If you feel this is something you would like to have a go at, please let me know! The role can be shared between 2 people if you feel you wouldn't have enough time.

You have a wonderful team beside you in Polly and Mel as treasurer and Secretary as well as incredible volunteers who, without them, nothing would be able to happen.

There is still a lot planned this year, and the school are wanting to focus on raising money for the playground, so any ideas please share!!

If you have any questions, please come and find me.

Thank you

Robyn (Penny and Henrys Mum)

Church News

Your Church is open for you every day. Welcome Café, in Saint Peter's, every Thursday afternoon 2pm – 4.30pm. Any enquires to Gillian Beale 01386 852958.

www.willerseyschool.org.uk

The next newsletter is due out Friday 9th October 2026. Please email any information that you would like to be included to admin@willersey.gloucs.sch.uk by Thursday 8th October 2026