



ISBOURNE VALLEY NEWS

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Friday 16 October 2026

A big thank you to all parents and carers who attended our parent-teacher meetings this week. These meetings are always a valuable opportunity to celebrate children's achievements and discuss their next steps, and we hope you found them as useful as we did.

The school enjoyed their visits to the Cheltenham Literature Festival. Coln and Avon were treated to a fantastic session based on the *Adventuremice* series by Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre, while Windrush met author Rashmi Sirdeshpande and Evenlode enjoyed a session with Kieran Larwood. Windrush and Evenlode were also lucky enough to spend time in the Story Shack with storyteller Richard O'Neill MBE. He had the audience captivated with his tale of spoons and wishes before challenging everyone with a series of riddles. It was wonderful to see the children's enthusiasm for reading and storytelling.

Meanwhile, our Year 5 pupils have been enjoying their Bikeability sessions this week, developing their cycling skills and confidence on the roads around Didbrook.

The children have also produced some super work as part of Black History Month. It has been lovely to see them engaging with significant people, events and achievements while reflecting on their importance and impact.

At Forest School, Windrush had great fun designing and building their own obstacle courses, while Avon created some fantastic artwork inspired by the natural world around them.

Mr Godding
Headteacher

All updated policies are available on the website or from the school office on request

Next Week

Monday:

Tuesday: Last day for Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday:

Thursday: Harvest Festival 9.15am at St George's Church, FIVS Halloween cake sale after school, Northleach Concert 7pm

Friday: INSET DAY no children in school

Friendship Heroes

Coln – Darcey for being a fantastic friend and helping others with their letter formation and segmenting

Avon – Olivia B for consistently demonstrating ways to be a good friend

Windrush – Albie for always helping his friends when they are stuck and encouraging them to keep trying. He is a kind and supportive friend

Evenlode – Milo for the super way he has been interacting and supporting his reception buddy

Awards

Headteacher's Award this week goes to **Benny** for his kindness and consideration when working and playing with his peers

Bronze cards awarded to **Barney C, Oscar, Grace, Lorenzo** and **Eirian**

Our Stars of the Week are:

- **Zane** in **Coln** for always being happy, positive and eager to share his learning with others
- **Teddy** in **Avon** for his super start in adding and subtracting 1 from numbers up to 20
- **George H (Y4)** in **Windrush** for showing fantastic dedication and enthusiasm when playing the cornet. He has worked hard and improved his skills
- **Charlotte** in **Evenlode** for a great piece of artwork as part of our Black History month work

Well done to everyone for their awards!