

Oldbury on Severn C of E Primary School

'Love One Another'...John 13

Love, Learn Flourish



Our very first Recorder Club got off to a flying start last week... safely outside while we master those first few notes!

The neighbours have been warned!



Newsletter 2: Friday 25th September 2026

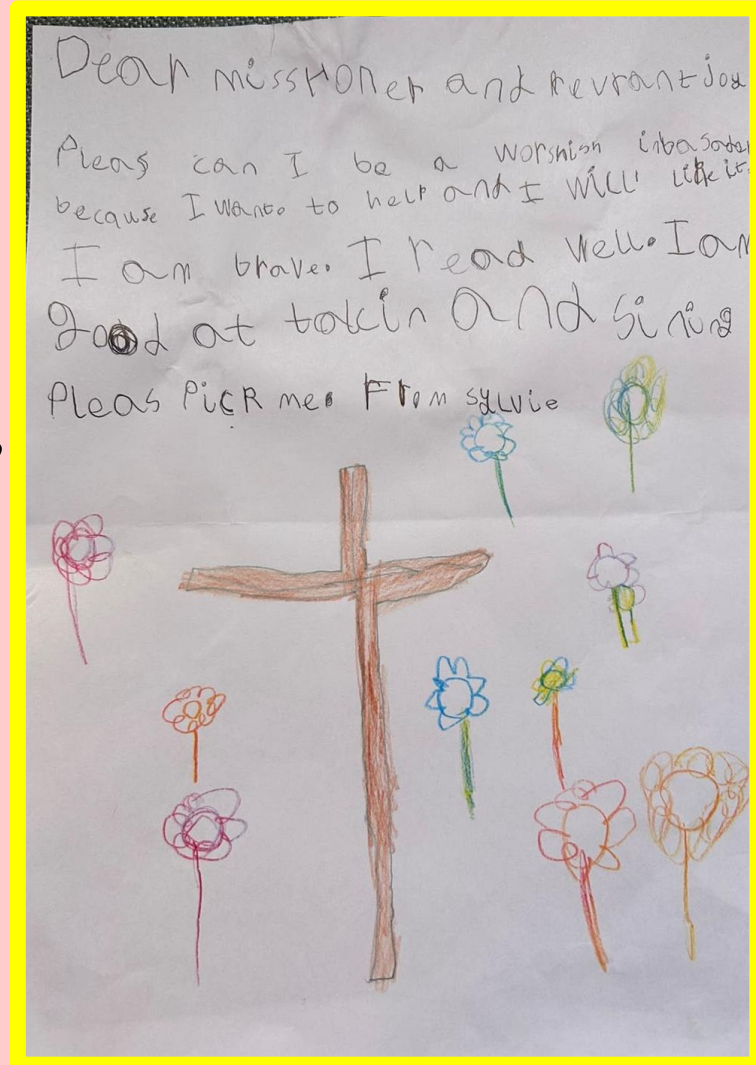
Worship Ambassadors

Rafi
Sylvie
Hallie
Isla B
Aoibhinn

We were absolutely delighted to receive so many wonderful letters from children hoping to become Worship Ambassadors for the first half of this year. Reverend Joy and I loved reading every one of them, which made choosing incredibly difficult!

We have now chosen five children for this term who we think will do an amazing job. Remember, we change our Worship Ambassadors twice a year, so there will be lots more opportunities for other children to take on this special role.

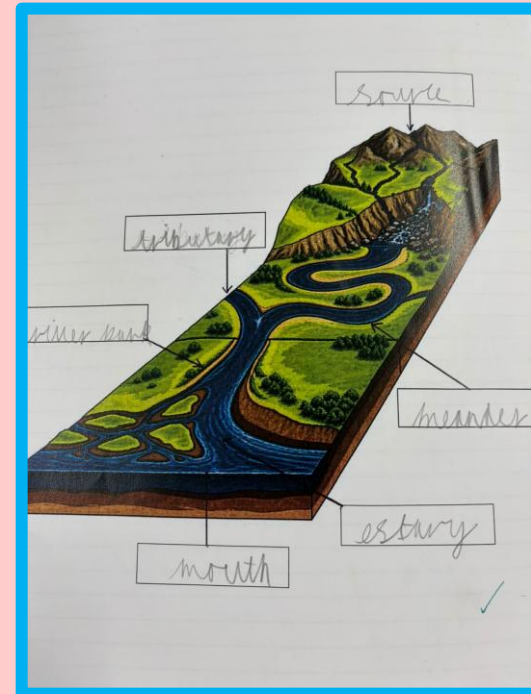
We can't wait to see our new ambassadors help lead their first church service next Friday. Please join us for our Harvest Service at 9:15am – we would love to see you there!



Years 3 and 4 Trip to Gloucester Waterways Museum



Badger Class had a fantastic visit to Gloucester Waterways Museum, where they explored the historic docks and took part in a workshop learning about the course of the River Sever as part of their geography learning. It was a brilliant opportunity to bring their learning to life. A huge thank you to all the staff who helped make the trip such a fun and successful day!

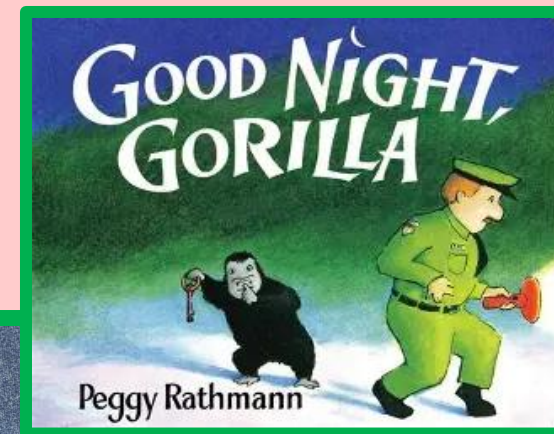


Purposeful Play in KS1

What an amazing outcome from one of our KS1 Play Projects, inspired by the work of Greg Bottrill!

Linked to our class text *Goodnight Gorilla*, the children worked collaboratively to plan, design and build their own zoo. There is so much learning behind this creation: communication, teamwork, problem solving, creativity, spatial awareness, mathematical thinking and perseverance.

The children had to negotiate ideas, decide how to organise the different animals, construct and adapt enclosures and work together to solve problems as their zoo developed. A wonderful example of how purposeful play allows children to apply their learning independently and with real enthusiasm.



Buddy Reading

Last week we began our Buddy Reading sessions again, which we aim to enjoy fortnightly. Older and younger children pair up to share books, practise reading and enjoy stories together.

Buddy reading benefits both children. Younger readers develop confidence and fluency, while older readers strengthen their own skills by modelling fluent reading, asking questions and offering encouragement. It also builds lovely relationships across the school and, most importantly, the children absolutely love it!



Proud to support
The National Year
of Reading 2026.

**GO
ALL
IN.**



Five Trusted Adults



An important part of keeping children safe is making sure they know who they can talk to if something is worrying them.

You might like to ask your child who they would choose to talk to if they had a worry. Helping children know that they can always speak up is an important part of keeping them safe.



At Oldbury, we frequently talk to the children about who they can turn to, both in school and at home, and reassure them that there are many adults who know them well, care about them and are ready to listen.



How to Tell If **SOMEONE IS SAFE**

A SAFE ADULT...

- Respects everyone's boundaries and rules
- Listens calmly and waits until you finish talking
- Believes you when you tell them something
- Helps you find resources and offers support
- Makes you feel safe and comfortable

WANTED

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& South Glos
Foodbank



REWARD: HELPING OTHERS

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We will be collecting for the North Bristol and South Glos Foodbank again this year during our Harvest Service on Friday 2nd October at 9:15am.



"I don't know what I would have done without the Foodbank. At first I was really nervous, but I can't believe how helpful and nice everyone is. It's not easy having to come here, but I'm glad I did, I feel that maybe things are looking up."

That's one person who came through our doors this year. A good part of what let us say yes to her comes from congregations like yours. Several of our nine outlets are hosted in churches, and a significant share of everything on our shelves arrives through churches across North Bristol and South Gloucestershire.

An Exciting Family Science Show is Coming to Oldbury!

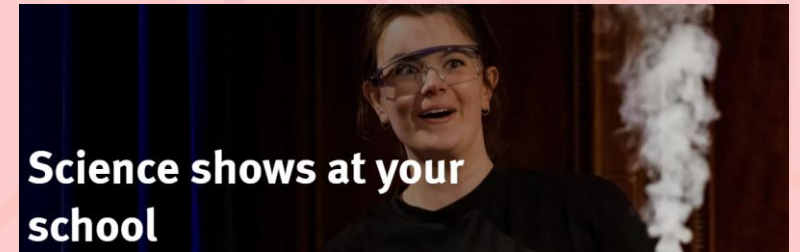
We are incredibly excited to welcome the Royal Institution to Oldbury for a fantastic day of live science shows, experiments and demonstrations!

A huge thank you to Catie Mahoney for securing the funding to make this brilliant opportunity possible. During the school day, the Royal Institution will deliver three age-appropriate science shows for our children, as well as providing professional development for our teachers.

Family Science Show

The excitement will continue after school with a special live science show for our families.

- Monday 19th October 2026
- 3.45–4.45pm
- Oldbury on Severn Primary School
- Open to all!



Children will be seated together at the front so they can get a fantastic view, with adults seated behind them. Expect exciting experiments, surprising demonstrations and plenty of WOW moments as we explore science together! We would love to see as many of our families there as possible – come along and enjoy an hour of spectacular science at Oldbury!



Another Rule of 5: Be SMART Online!

At Oldbury, we teach the children the SMART rules to help them stay safe online: Safe, Meeting, Accepting, Reliable and Tell. These simple rules help children think carefully about what they share, who they communicate with, what they open and believe online, and most importantly, when they should tell a trusted adult.

Why not see if your child can remember what each letter in SMART stands for and talk through the rules together at home? Reinforcing the same messages at home and at school helps our children develop safe and sensible online habits.



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PLAY

RUGBY!

ALL BOYS & GIRLS

AGED 5-16 WELCOME

MAKE FRIENDS & HAVE FUN

DEVELOP SKILLS & CONFIDENCE

BUILD CHARACTER ON & OFF THE PITCH

BE PART OF A PROUD CLUB

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

TRAINING SUNDAYS AT THORNBURY RUGBY CLUB

LOCATION:

Thornbury Rugby Club

TIME:

09:30 – 12:00

START TIMES VARY

BASED ON AGE GROUP

BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5-16

WHY JOIN THORNBURY?

Qualified Coaches

Safe & Inclusive Environment

Age Grade Rugby For All Abilities

Competitive & Social Rugby

Lifelong Friendships

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GET IN TOUCH TODAY!

CARE

COMMITMENT

COMMUNITY

Lots of our Oldbury children already attend Thornbury RFC – it's a brilliant club!

It's a great way to make friends, have fun, build confidence and develop new skills, with boys and girls of all abilities welcome and no previous experience needed.

If your child fancies giving rugby a go, do check them out!

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