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Friday 24th October 2025

Dear families, Half term is upon us after a very long Autumn 1. Although the rain today doesn't bode well for the week ahead, let's hope that changes quickly! School has been especially busy this week with a few trips going out and some special assemblies. Monday saw year 3 and 4 at Thimblemill Library for an opera and poetry workshop with Birmingham Opera where children got to experience poetry and opera performed live by the professionals. It was a fantastic experience, a first for many, and definitely a 'goosebump moment' when the opera singer first broke out into song. Similarly, Year 5 and 6 visited the Royal Opera House in London yesterday for a performance of Mozart's The Magic Flute. The children were mesmerised by the performance and it was such a privilege to see and hear actors and singers of such calibre; again a wonderful experience for our children.

We had our half termly attendance assembly this week with our winning class with the highest attendance for the half term being acknowledged; well done Year 4! We thank all our families for your support with attendance.

We also had a special assembly for Diwali with support from two of our families who came into school to deliver the assembly from a Sikh and Hindu perspective. Thank you both for giving up your time to do this.

Whatever you are up to next week, whether that be dressing up for Halloween and pumpkin picking or waving a sparkler and giving your best 'Oohs' and 'Aahs' at a Bonfire Night celebration, we wish you a restful yet fun-filled week. Stay safe all and we look forward to seeing all our families on Tuesday 4th November, due to school being closed for INSET day on Monday 3rd.



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Attendance Matters

Autumn 1 Attendance

	<u>Wk1</u>	<u>Wk2</u>	<u>Wk3</u>	<u>Wk4</u>	<u>Wk5</u>	<u>Wk6</u>	<u>Wk7</u>	<u>Wk 8</u>	<u>½ term</u>
<u>Nursery</u>		95.8	93.3	95.8	93.7	92.6	97.0	91.0	91.0
<u>Reception</u>		99.6	94.9	92.4	99.3	97.1	97.5	98.6	97.1
<u>Year 1</u>	98.3	100	97.7	94.0	96.3	99.7	97.3	97.0	97.5
<u>Year 2</u>	94.0	96.0	97.9	99.6	98.7	97.4	100	97.9	98.7
<u>Year 3</u>	99.2	98.3	95.7	95.3	97.3	94.7	99.3	97.7	97.1
<u>Year 4</u>	98.8	97.7	99.7	100	100	98.6	100	98.2	99.1
<u>Year 5</u>	93.5	94.8	95.0	95.0	98.4	100	97.7	81.6	94.5
<u>Year 6</u>	89.5	89.4	96.9	98.3	94.1	93.1	99.0	80.3	93.6
<u>Whole school</u>	95.6	96.4	97.3	97.2	97.5	97.3	98.6	92.7	96.5

Well done Reception you have the best attendance this week with 98.6%

Year 4 have the highest attendance this half term with 99.1%, this is fantastic, thank you so much for your support. In recognition of this year 4 can come to school in their own clothes on Tuesday 4th November.

Musician of the Week

Each week in school we have a musician of the week to promote a range of music from different genres, countries and time periods. Here is this week's musician of the week

Musician of the Week

Name: Malkit Singh

FACTS ABOUT OUR MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK!

1. Malkit Singh was born in Hussainpur and raised in Nakodar before he moved to Birmingham in 1984.
2. He holds the Guinness World Record for the biggest-selling bhangra solo artist.
3. Singh was the first Punjabi singer to be honoured with an MBE by Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace.



GENRE
Bhangra



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Singers of the week

We have no singers of the week this week due to us performing for Mrs Hadden and Mrs Jones during attendance assembly! Well done for your excellent singing this half term! We have an exciting new song after the holidays

Online Safety for Parents

Each week, we are aiming to provide you with information to help keep your children safe when online. This links to the Online Safety mind maps the children complete with their class teachers at the start of each half term.

6-7



The phrase "6-7" has become a viral meme among kids, often used humorously or as a punchline. It originated from a song by Skrilla and is associated with the phrase "six-seven," which children use to create an inside joke or just for fun. The phrase itself holds no specific meaning; it's simply a catchy expression that kids enjoy repeating amongst friends. While "6-7" may seem nonsensical, it reflects a trend in internet culture where children find entertainment in repeating phrases and words.



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Book fair

The Scholastic Christmas book fair will be in school Wednesday 3rd December to Tuesday 9th December. It will be open straight after school until 4pm each day and from 8:15am until 8:45am on Thursday 4th December.

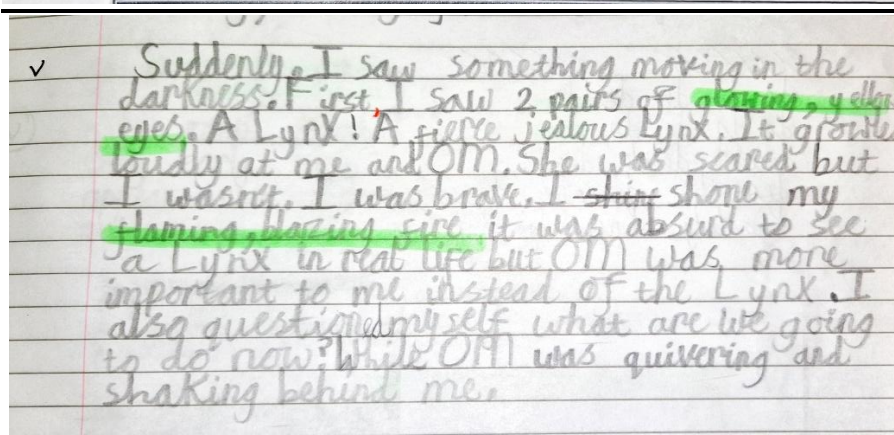
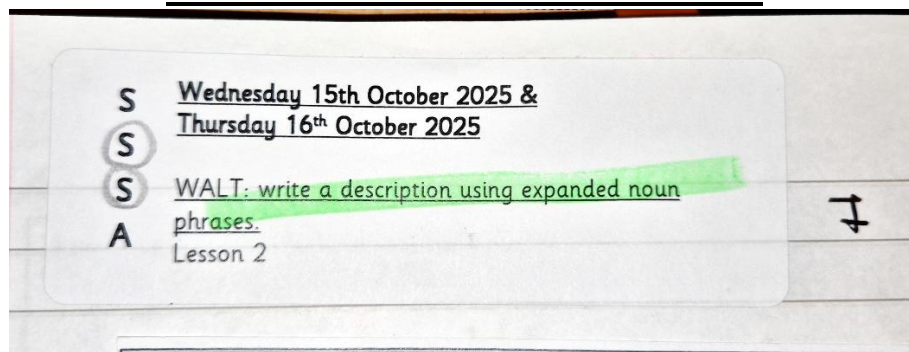
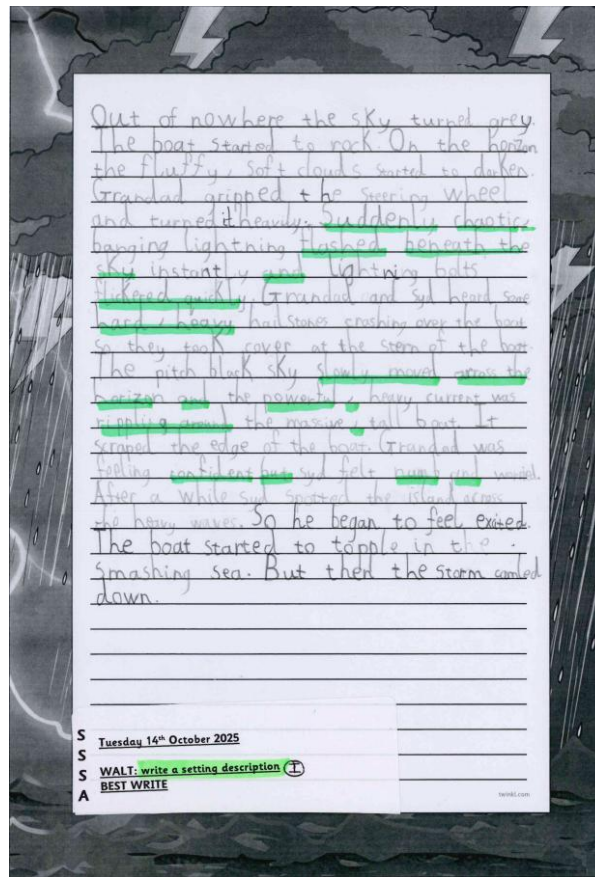


Writers of the week

This weeks writers are **Oliver in Year 2** and **Frieda in Year 3**. Oliver has written a setting description based on the book Granddad's Island by Benji Davies. He has used expanded noun phrases, commas in lists, precise nouns and adjectives and powerful verbs. A fantastic piece of writing for the start of Year 2!



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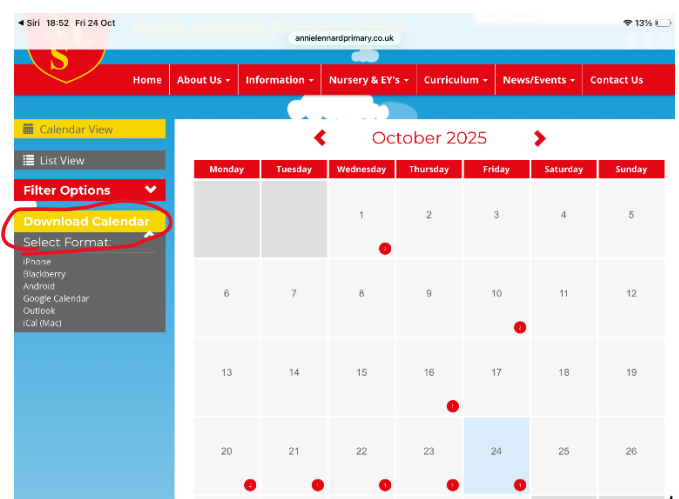
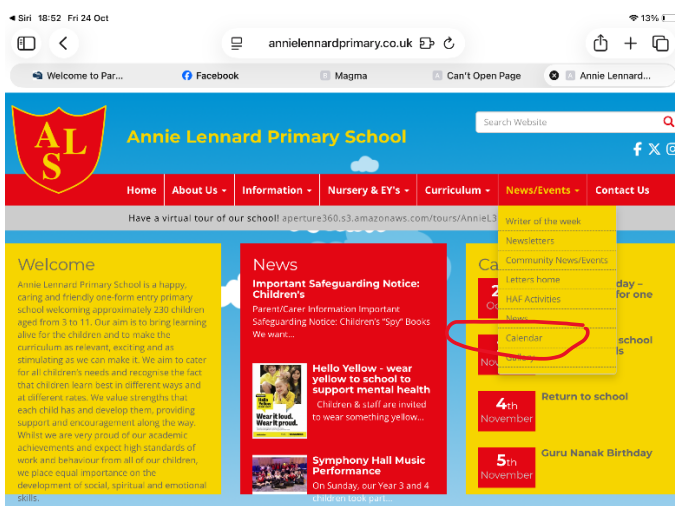


Alongside our newsletter we have our website

www.annielennardprimary.co.uk where we post various things of interest. A new page we've recently added is [Community News/Events](#)



A useful part of our website is you can download our calendar a number of ways including to iPhone, Blackberry, Android, Google Calendar, Outlook & iCal (MAC)



Once downloaded every item that's added to our website calendar automatically adds to your devices and if any changes are made to dates/times this also updates, hopefully meaning you'll never miss an event again.



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Month	Date	Event
October	Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st	Half Term Holiday - school closed
November	Monday 3 rd	Training Day - school closed to pupils
	Wednesday 5 th	Guru Nanak Birthday Bonfire Night
	Wednesday 5 th	Year 1 and Year 2 theatre trip to see Gruffalo's Child
	Thursday 6 th	Autumn Disco - Years 1 2 3 straight from school till 4:20 Years 3 4 5 4:30pm to 5:30pm Pay on ParentPay
	Tuesday 11 th	Remembrance Day
	Tuesday 18 th	Bible stories assembly with Paul Wilmott - years 1 to 6
	Friday 21 st	Children in Need day
December	Tuesday 2 nd	Y1 visit to St Hildas Church
	Monday 15 th	Christmas Dress up fundraising day
	Tuesday 16 th	KS1 Christmas Play 2.30 school hall
	Wednesday 17 th	EYFS Christmas Play 9.15 school hall
	Thursday 18 th	Christmas Party Day
	Friday 19 th	Break up for Christmas Holidays
	Monday 22 nd - Friday 2 nd Jan	Christmas Holidays - school closed
January	Monday 5 th	School reopens to pupils
	Wednesday 7 th	Young Voices Year 3/ Year 4 and the year 5/6 choir 12pm - 9.30pm @ NEC arena
February	Monday 16 th - Friday 20 th	Half term holiday - school closed
	Monday 23 rd	school reopens to pupils
	Tuesday 24 th	Parent consultation day 8am - 6.30pm (N, 1, 3 & 5)
	Wednesday 25 th	Parent consultation day 8am - 6.30pm (R, 2, 4 & 6)
March	Monday 2 nd	St Davids Day -
	Thursday 5 th	World Book Day - children to dress up as their favourite book character
	Tuesday 17 th	St Patricks Day -
	Friday 20 th	Red Nose Day
	Friday 27 th	Pupils break up for the Easter Holidays



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	Monday 30 th - Friday 10 th April	Easter Holidays - school closed to pupils
April	Thursday 23 rd	St Georges Day
May	Monday 4 th	MAYDAY Bank Holiday - school closed
	Monday 11 th	Year 6 SATS paper SPAG
	Tuesday 12 th	Year 6 SATS paper Reading
	Wednesday 13 th	Year 6 SATS paper 1 & 2 maths
	Thursday 14 th	Year 6 SATS paper 3 maths
	Monday 25 th - Friday 29 th	Half Term Holiday
June	Monday 1 st	Training Day - school closed to pupils
	Tuesday 2 nd - Friday 5 th	Year 4 Multiplication test to be administered this week
	Friday 5 th	Class Photos
	Monday 8 th - Friday 2 th	Year 1 phonic screening test to be administered this week
July	Monday 6 th	Sports Day
	Friday 10 th	School reports sent home today
	Monday 13 th	Year 6 Prom 6pm - 8pm @ Thimblemill Recreation Club - tickets £15.00 per pupil
	Wednesday 15 th	Class swap - pupils will meet their new teacher
	Monday 20 th	Training Day - school closed to pupils