

This week in school

- **Thank you for your understanding** regarding Tuesday's unexpected school closure due to a lack of water.
- Our **EYFS team** attended an inspiring **Talk for Writing conference** with author Pie Corbett, further supporting and strengthening our writing programme.
- Our **governors**, joined by **Bob Wade (Chair of the Oxlip Trust)**, visited on Thursday to learn more about our school priorities and to see all the wonderful work—and most importantly, the learning—taking place across the school.
- Classes enjoyed a creative and hands-on **DT Day** this week.
- **Parents' Evening took place this week**—thank you to everyone who attended, to those who rearranged online due to the school closure and for engaging so positively with teachers.

Next week...

- We will be hosting a **Mother's Day Afternoon Tea** on Friday for the special ladies in the children's lives. Don't forget to book—**Monday is the final booking date.**
- Some of the children in **Year 5** will be visiting **Adastral Park** as part of Science week.

Breakfast & After School Club – Places Available!

These clubs provide a **safe, friendly and supportive environment** where children can start the morning calmly and end the day happily, with activities, games and time with friends.

If you would like your child to attend, **please book through Arbor**. We would especially encourage families to give it a try – even one or two sessions a week can make busy mornings and afternoons much easier.

We have space available, so this is a great time to sign up. We look forward to seeing more children enjoying the clubs!

Mother's Day Tea & Cake – 13th March

Come and join us in the hall on 13th March for a lovely **Mother's Day Tea and Cake** celebration!

We'd love to share a sweet treat and a special moment with you.

A letter has been sent home with a booking form and costings.

Please complete the form and return it to the office along with your payment to secure your place.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

Playground Safety Reminder

We kindly ask that **dogs are not brought into the playground** at drop-off or pick-up times.

For the safety and wellbeing of all children, and in line with **Oxlip policy**, dogs must remain **outside the school grounds**.

Thank you for helping us keep the playground a safe space for everyone.

Cleaner—Mendlesham Primary School

We are looking for a professional, friendly and motivated individual to undertake a range of cleaning duties at **Mendlesham Primary School**.

If you are interested please see information on the Oxlip website, link below.

Click [here](#) for details.

FOMSA Sweetie Bingo New Date Announced!

Due to being unable to book the school hall, our Sweetie Bingo event has been rescheduled to **13th June 2026**.

More details will follow soon — we look forward to seeing you there!

Diary Dates

13th March — Mothers Day Afternoon Tea from 3:15pm
19th March — Oak Class to SUEZ recycling plant
20th March — Dental Epidemiology in School @ 1:30pm

Easter Holidays

30th March to 10th April 2026

13th April—PD Day

16th April — Year 3 & 4 to Suffolk Farm Fair @ Trinity Park
21st April—Elm & Holly to Museum of Zoological Life
23rd April — Bags to School Day
28th April—Willow Class to Banham Zoo

4th May—Bank Holiday

25th to 29th May—Half Term

Golden Certificates

Willow—Daisy
Elm— Erin
Oak— Evie
Chestnut— Tom
Holly—Alfie
Cherry— Reya

Super Stars

Willow— Zoe
Elm— Cassie
Oak— Charles, Emily, Alexa, Violet
Chestnut—Imogen M
Holly— Lacie-Mai
Cherry— Scarlett

Attendance This Week

Willow - 95.65%
Elm - 98.48%
Oak - 98.61%
Chestnut – 96.89%
Holly - 96.3%
Cherry - 95.12%

Dinner Menu

Week Commencing 9th March

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Monday	Savoury Rice
Tuesday	Homemade Sausage Rolls Veggie Sausage Rolls
Wednesday	Roast Turkey Vegetable Fingers
Thursday	BBQ Chicken Pizza Margherita Pizza
Friday	Fish & Chips

Also Available Daily

School Packed Lunch:- Baguettes/Sandwiches/Wraps
with Cheese/Ham/Tuna Mayo

Jacket Potato:- Cheese/Beans/Tuna Mayo

Selection Changed Daily:- Pasta, Homemade Bread,
Seasonal Vegetables
Salad Bar

DESSERTS

Fresh Fruit Platter, Fruit Kebabs, Fresh Fruit Salad,
Yoghurt, Jelly

Sam's Special Desserts

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday