

Newsletter 9th January 2026



Message from Mrs Crocker

Happy New Year! Welcome back to the 'Spring!' Term!!

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year, and managed to enjoy a relaxing break. We had a lovely time catching up with both sides of our families, seeing friends, and even braving a very chilly (and icy!) bike ride around Usk Reservoir in the Brecon Beacons – beautiful scenery, if a little cold! We also enjoyed some quiet time at home doing absolutely nothing, which was perfect.

This first week back has certainly kept us on our toes with the weather! Thank you so much for your understanding and patience with today's school closure. It's never an easy decision and one we take very seriously. Balancing safety with our commitment to keeping school open as much as possible is always a challenge, so we really appreciate your support.

Aside from the weather, the term has started really well. We've welcomed Miss Watts into Sapling Class and Mrs Flanagan has had a fantastic first week with our Acorn children.

Appropriate clothing – PLEASE ensure you keep an eye on the weather forecast every day and ensure your children come to school/preschool with suitable clothing (and spares).

There's lots happening this term, so please keep an eye on the website calendar for key dates and events.

We're looking forward to a brilliant half term ahead – hopefully without too many more weather surprises (though it is winter, so we'll see!).

Louise Crocker

Preschool News

Happy New Year!

Welcome to the new term, the children appear very happy to be back, lots of smiling faces and eager to explore play! We have been looking for signs of Winter on our daily walks and haven't had to go far before children recognise the need for hats and gloves to keep warm as well as identifying no leaves on trees, animal footprints in the shimmering of snow on our track or patches of frozen water on the fields which they have loved trying to skate on!

Next week we will continue to explore the children's ideas to write into our Winter planning spider-gram for this half term and think about what we could place on our winter tree.

A gentle reminder please could all children have left on their peg in preschool either waterproof trousers and a coat or an all in one suit, hat, gloves, a full change of clothes plus wellies: it is essential that each child has a dry coat to go home in especially in this wintry weather(no one wants to put their muddy wet coat back on from our morning walk or forest school session)! We are outside everyday regardless of the weather.

Have a lovely weekend,

Julie and Beth

[Dates- All our upcoming events and important dates can be found on the calendar on our website here.](#)