



OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER



Well done to Abel and Andre for their fantastic scrap books as part of their ROCK electives



As we come to the end of the autumn term, we would like to thank families for their support during a wonderfully festive and busy few weeks at school. Our Christmas celebrations began with the Year 1 and Year 5 Christmas Concerts, followed by a beautiful Choir Concert at St Mary's Church, where our choir represented the school so proudly. Pupils and staff embraced the festive spirit on Christmas Jumper Day, and we were delighted by the Nursery and Reception Nativity performance, which was enjoyed by many families.

The term continued with our Celebration Assembly, recognising pupils' achievements and efforts, before more festive performances from Year 2 and Year 6, and then Year 3 and Year 4.

We ended the term by welcoming parents and carers to our Coffee Morning and Community Hub update on the final day of Autumn Term 2. It has been a joy to see the confidence, teamwork and enthusiasm our pupils have shown throughout these events.

Looking ahead to the new term, we look forward to welcoming pupils back on Monday 5th January for the start of Spring Term 1, when after-school clubs will also begin. Parents of Year 4 pupils are invited to attend a multiplication advice session on Monday 12th January, and on Thursday 15th January we will be celebrating Census Day, with all pupils invited to come to school dressed as superheroes.



Attendance



Class	Attendance W/C 12.12.2025	Attendance W/C 19.12.2025
Nursery	82.4%	67.1%
Reception	85.9%	85.9%
1 Hedgehog	98.3%	94.8%
2 Porcupine	92.5%	85.7%
3 Robin	93.3%	91.7%
4 Woodpecker	82.3%	87.5%
5 Kingfisher	95.6%	83.3%
6 Red Kite	92%	87.2%
Whole School	91.1%	87.4%



Reminder

Coming to school every day supports children to build friendships and help them feel part of the school community.

We expect attendance to be 96% or higher.



Attendance
W/C 08.12.2025

Attendance
W/C 15.12.2025



Dates for your diary



Monday 5th January 2026

08:30 – First Day of Spring Term 1

Monday 12th January 2026

15:30 – Multiplication Advice for
Parents

Parents of Year 4 Children Invited

Thursday 15th January 2026

All Day – Census Day, Superhero Day

Children may come to school dressed
as superheroes

Friday 23rd January 2026

14:45 – Year 2 Class Assembly

Parents of Year 2 Children Invited

Friday 30th January 2026

11:00 – Stay and... Maths

Parents of Nursery Children Invited

15:00 – Stay and... Maths

Parents of Reception to Year 6
Children Invited



Friday 13th February 2026

15:30 – Last Day of Spring Term 1

Tuesday 24th February 2026

08:30 – First Day of Spring Term 2

Wednesday 4th March 2026

13:15 – School Closes for All Pupils Due
to Parent Consultations

13:30 – Parent Consultations Online

Thursday 5th March 2026

15:45 – Parent Consultations Online

Friday 13th March 2026

08:35 – My Books Rock

Parents of Reception to Year 6
Children Invited

Foxborough News

Coffee Morning and Community Hub Update

Our next Coffee Morning and Community Hub update is on **TO BE ARRANGED** from 08:45am. Please try to come along and join us.



Attendance

If your child is unable to attend school for any reason, you must notify us by either of the following methods:

Phone 01753 546376
- Option 1

or

Email:
attendance@foxboroughprimary.co.uk



Holidays

Please can we just take this opportunity to remind all families If your child misses 5 days or more to go to go on holiday or has 10 unauthorised sessions off over a 10 week period during term time, you are likely to incur a fine from Slough Borough Council.

Medication

If your child requires prescribed medication and is well enough to attend school, please bring the medication to the school office where paperwork can be completed and the medicine can be administered during the day.

Vacancies

If you are interested in any vacancies that we have within the Trust please click on the following link:

[Join our Team](#)

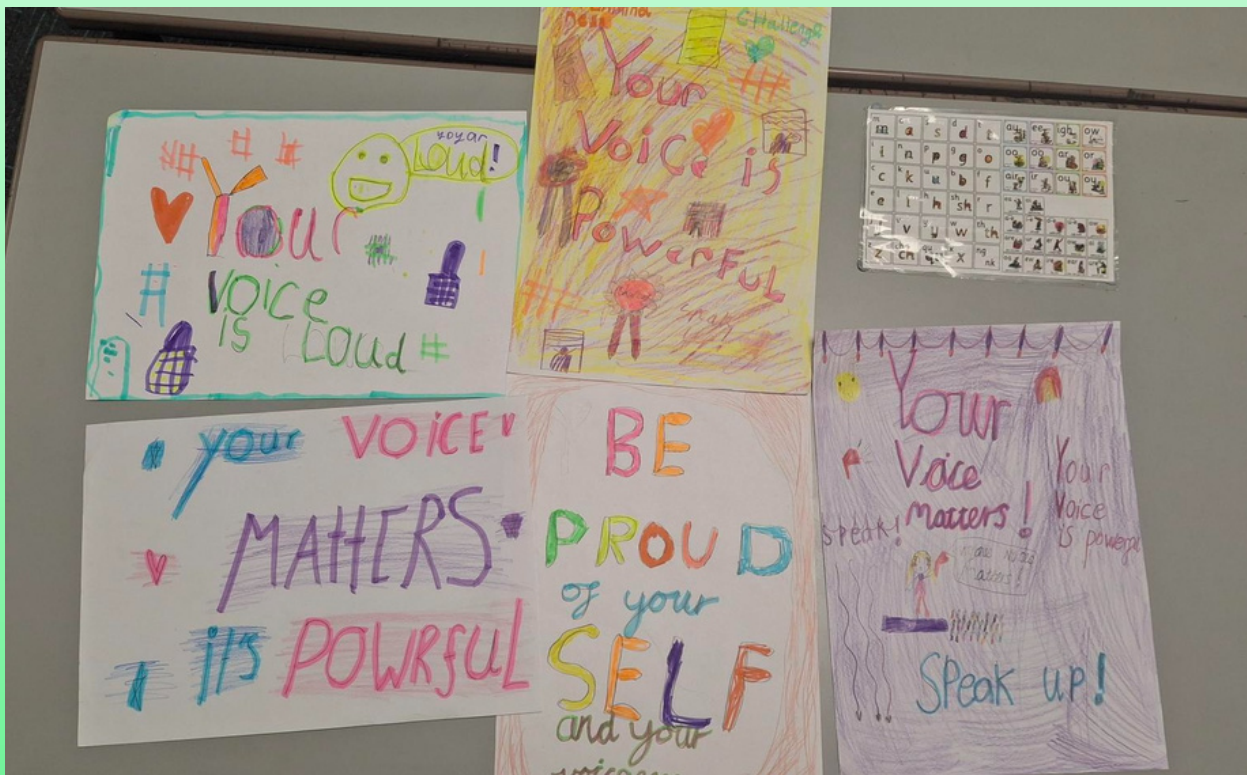
Vacancy	School	Deadline for applications
Teaching Assistant	Desborough College	2 nd January 2026
Teacher of Science	Desborough College	5 th January 2026
Catering Assistant	Upton Court Grammar School	6 th January 2026

Super Work

3 Robin



During UKPW, the students created posters to celebrate the power of their voice and support the theme Power in Participation.



Super Work

4 Woodpecker



Year 4 had an exciting visit this week from a cricket coach who came to teach us new skills! We learned how to bowl, bat, and field, and even played some fun competitions to put our new techniques into practice. Well done to yellow team who won! Everyone enjoyed getting active, working as a team, and discovering how much fun cricket can be. It was a fantastic afternoon full of energy, laughter, and great sportsmanship – we can't wait to play again!



CHOIR CONCERT



GIVE & GIFT



Give and Gift Christmas Fair 2025 at Foxborough Primary School

The festive spirit was alive and thriving on **Saturday 6th December 2025**, as **Foxborough Primary School** proudly hosted the annual **Give & Gift Family Christmas Fair**. Organised by the **Pioneer Family Partnership**, with the valued support of schools within the **Pioneer Educational Trust**, local community partners, and volunteers, the event brought joy and festive cheer to families across the Slough community.

Families were invited to celebrate the season by selecting free gifts for their loved ones, taking part in a variety of children's activities, meeting Santa, and enjoying festive refreshments in a warm and welcoming environment. The event was a wonderful success, spreading happiness and creating special memories for all who attended.

Our **Year 12 students** from UCGS played a vital role throughout the day, supporting with gift wrapping and helping children take part in the exciting activities delivered by our community partners. Their enthusiasm, kindness, and commitment were instrumental in making the event run smoothly.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who supported the event on the day, including:

- **Pioneer Educational Trust staff:** Ms Keeling, Mrs Gibbons, Mrs Galstaun, Mrs Spinks, Mrs Marais, Mr Smith, Mrs Roscoe, Mrs Theisinger, Mr Jones.
- **Our Year 12 students:** Jiya, Asri, Bhoomi, Mishay, Kiran, Avery, Lakshita, Avneet, Leo, Hamna, Zainab, Pranavi, Shreya
- **Viva Slough Ambassador:** James Gibbons (Singer)
- **Viva Slough staff & volunteers:** Providing gift wrapping paper and children's activities
- **Abri Housing:** Sponsoring Santa Gifts
- **Volunteers:** Madhuri Bedi, Patrick (Santa), Debbie, Claire Skipsey, Aiden, Nathan, Nisha

A heartfelt thank you also goes to everyone who contributed through donations and fundraising. Your generosity made this event possible and helped ensure that families in our community could enjoy a joyful Christmas. We look forward to your continued support in the year ahead. On behalf of the **Pioneer Family Partnership**, we wish all our families a **Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2025**.

Gurminder Khutan (*Community Hub Lead*)



Christmas gifts
setup for the
event for
children and
adults



NATIVITY PERFORMANCE



Thank you to all the parents that attended the Nursery and Reception Nativity Performance. The children all did a fantastic job.



CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY





Teachers Corner

This week's teacher's corner is by Mrs Sama

As we head into the winter holidays, let us take a moment to pause, reflect and celebrate the growth your child has demonstrated this Autumn term. From building new skills to supporting one another in the classroom, their enthusiasm and hard work has shone every day. Over the holiday, we encourage families to enjoy plenty of rest, play and time together. Thank you for your partnership and support. Wishing you a joyful, safe and peaceful holiday season with your family!

Here is a poem about the season of Winter:

Winter Whispers

Winter drifts in on a silvery sigh,
Frost-tipped branches brushing the sky.
Soft snow gathers where footsteps pause,
Quiet magic without a cause.
Warm lights glow in the early night,
Hearts draw close in the gentle white.
In the stillness, wonder starts—
Winter weaves its art in our hearts.



Teachers Corner

Continued



Winter Holiday Tips for Families

- Keep a routine: A consistent bedtime or a morning routine help children feel grounded.
- Read together for 10–15 minutes: Snuggle up with a favourite book or explore new ones from Langley Library.
- Playful learning: Board games, puzzles, cooking and building activities support problem-solving and creativity.
- Get outside when possible: Fresh air, a walk, or a quick trip to the playground can brighten everyone's mood.
- Create together: Art projects, writing “winter stories,” making homemade cards bring out imagination.
- Practice gratitude: Share daily “thankful moments” to build connection and reflection.
- Enjoy unstructured time: Free play lets children explore their own ideas, rest, and recharge.



Wishing families a fun, restful and memory-filled winter break!

Starting Reception Class in September 2026



Starting Infant, Junior & Primary School in Slough 2026/27

Apply online at www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions



IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU TAKE TIME TO READ THIS INFORMATION WHICH OUTLINES THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR A RECEPTION SCHOOL PLACE

Dear Parent/Carer,

If your child was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, and you live in Slough, you can now apply for a reception school place in an infant or primary school for September 2026. The Citizen's portal on the council website is now open to receive applications. There are clear and simple prompts to guide you through making your application.

If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019, lives in Slough and currently attends an infant school, they will need to transfer to Year 3 in a junior school.

You will also find the *Starting Infant, Junior and Primary School* booklet on the council website. The booklet contains a wealth of information to help you choose the right schools, make an application and understand how the application process works. It provides a profile of all of primary schools alongside information about admission arrangements.

Who should apply?

If you have a child who was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, you must apply for a school place for September 2026.

When do I need to apply?

You can apply anytime from 1 September 2025. To receive an offer of a school place on national offer day, you must submit an application by 15 January 2026.

Please note: In order to maximise your chances of being offered one of your preferred schools

- You **MUST** submit an application with any required documents/supplementary forms on time.
- Your child **MUST** meet the admissions criteria of the school to be offered a place.

and there is

- NO automatic transfer from a nursery to into a school.
- NO automatic offer of a sibling place without making an application.

Apply online at

www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions
Closing date to apply 15 January 2026

What happens if I miss the closing date?

For the avoidance of doubt, all applications submitted and received after the closing date (15 January 2026) will be deemed as late applications. They will be considered after those that are received on time and after the first round of offers have been made.

How do I apply?

If you live in Slough you **MUST** apply through Slough Borough Council. The easiest way to apply is online.

Go to www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions and follow the instructions on the screen.

If you do not have internet access at home you can still apply online at your local library or at the council offices.

Who can make the application?

Applications must be made by a parent or carer who holds legal parental responsibility for a child. Only one application should be made per child.

Contact the Admissions Team

If you would like more information about the school admissions process or the admission arrangements, please read the 'Starting Infant, Junior or Primary School' booklet
Or visit: www.slough.gov.uk/school-admissions
Email: _admissions.help@slough.gov.uk

Contact Centre:
Telephone: 01753 475111 (Monday to Friday)
Please note that the School Admissions lines open as and when needed around admissions time.

Best wishes,

Sabi Hothi

Head of Education Services

Slough Borough Council

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