



# Calmore Infant School

Spring Newsletter 1 – Friday 16th January 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has ended better than it started! Thank you for your cooperation with the lack of heating and hot water and subsequent school closure.

We are grateful that Mr Roy comes into school so early and could call out an engineer out before 8am!

## Screen time and Smartphones

We as a school, like many other professionals are aware of the increased amount of time adults and children are spending on screens.



Studies identify how increased time spent on screens stops children being 'bored' which, consequently, also reduces their ability to 'entertain themselves' and make up their own play.

Screens are not going away, as adults we need to find ways to make sure this does not have a developmental impact on our children.

We are working as a Totton and Waterside cluster of schools to support our families with this. We have attached an invitation to a meeting for parents to look at how we can work together to protect and support our children.

Please do come along if you are able to do so. Due to the large number of schools working together, a large venue is required, therefore we are hosting it at Abbotswood. There is a sign up option within the letter.

Superhero Day in memory of Tobias  
Suddaby, aged 5. Friday 6th February



2 years ago we sadly lost one of our Year R children, Tobias suddenly to Meningitis. With the support of his family, we held a superhero day in memory of Tobias, who absolutely loved Superheroes. We all enjoyed it so much that we decided to make it an annual event to ensure that his memory lives on.

We are inviting the children to come into school dressed, if they wish, in their superhero clothes. If they do not have an appropriate superhero costume, please come as themselves as we know that they are superheroes in their own right.

Please remember that all superheroes need to be able to do PE and forest school as well as play outside!

We are holding our superhero day to raise money to enable us to take some of our children to the garden centre to choose some plants to update our garden area so that his memory lives on.

We are not setting an amount to 'pay', but are asking for a donation to be made towards the memorial in school. We will be collecting on the gate, on that morning.

## Science Day Community Show– Wednesday 21st January



Thanks to Mrs Richman's hard work, we are extremely fortunate to have secured funding for a visit from the Royal Institution of Science for the day on Wednesday 21 January 2026.

As part of their day visit, they are hosting a Community Show at 5pm (lasting approximately 45 minutes) for free for our families to attend. This will be an interactive demonstration by the RIS with a range of practical science elements sure to excite and engage the children and their families. Please sign up via Arbor if you are interested in attending.

### Well Done Certificates and Thank you Stars:



Ducklings: Jakub & Isaac

Penguins: Lincoln, Kingsley & Storm

Owls: Orla, Bobby & Alice

Goldfinches: Seren, Ronnie & George

Robins: Ruby, Nevaeh & Finley

Swallows: Olivia B, Amelia W & Phoebe



Biscuit Break Winners: The class with the best attendance this week was again Owls with 100%.

They really enjoyed their biscuits. Well done Owls class!

Have a good weekend, we look forward to seeing you on Monday. Let's hope it is a little drier next week!

Mrs Willes and Mrs Weaver