

# ARH Newsletter 25-26

## 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026



### A message from SLT: Mrs Elverstone

As we move through another busy and exciting term, it's been wonderful to see the children's enthusiasm for learning and the progress they are making each day. Thank you, as always, for your continued support – working together makes a real difference to your child's confidence, wellbeing and success at school. Learning doesn't stop at the classroom door, and there are lots of simple ways you can support your child at home. Little and often really helps, such as:

**Reading together regularly**, talking about the story and encouraging your child to predict what might happen next

**Practising key skills** like spellings, times tables or number facts in short, fun bursts

**Talking about learning** – asking your child what they enjoyed, found tricky, or are proud of

**Encouraging independence**, for example by letting children pack their own bag or organise homework time

**Celebrating effort**, not just results, to help build resilience and a positive attitude to learning

We truly value the partnership between home and school and appreciate everything you do to support your child.



### Latest News

- **IFS Superstars** – A big well done to the children across the school who received a Praise Postcard today for showing the IFS of Articulation. You make us very proud!
- **School menu change** – To celebrate the Lunar New Year, there will be a change to our dinner menu on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Please see the attached [poster](#) for more details.
- **Children's Mental Health Week** – The week is organised by national children's mental health charity, Place2Be and runs from 9<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026.
- **ARH Leaver's Hoodies** – This year's leaver's hoodies (for children who are currently in Year 6) are going to be available via an online shop managed by [schoolleaverscompany.co.uk](http://schoolleaverscompany.co.uk). You can place your orders now! The online shop closes on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026. Please see [here](#) for more details.
- **Safeguarding** – You will see our safeguarding newsletter attached [here](#). This time we cover online safety, mobile phones in school and provide a list of useful helplines.
- **Year 1** – Our Year 1 children have enjoyed a walk around the local area this week, looking for human and physical features linked to their Geography lessons. Mrs Brookes also returned to talk to the children about ARH when she attended the school at the age of 5 and how it has changed.

### REMINDERS



- **Attendance welfare visits** – If a child is absent from school and we have any concerns, a home visit may be carried out by our Attendance Officer, Miss Johnson, to ensure your child is at home and is safe and well.
- **Zigzag photography** – Will be in school on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April taking full class photos and on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April in the morning taking Y6 Leavers photos. Could you please log in to your Arbor portal and update any outstanding consents for your child(ren). Unfortunately, if your child(ren) does not have consent for a school photograph they will not be included in the class photo.
- **Aspirations Week** – We're excited to launch Aspirations Week on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April. Throughout the week, pupils will explore different jobs and careers to help broaden their understanding of the world of work. If you, a family member or a friend has a job they would be happy to share at our Careers Fair, we would love to hear from you. Any role is welcome! Please get in touch if you can help. See the attached poster for more details.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- W/C 9<sup>th</sup> February – Children’s Mental Health Week.
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day



	Parental pop-in day
Monday	Years 3 and 4
Tuesday	Years 2, 5 and 6
Wednesday	Year 1

Our Academic Year 26-27 Term dates are now on our website. Please see them [here](#).

## CLUB TIMETABLE



<b>Mon</b>	Basketball – Monday 3.30-4.30
<b>Tues</b>	Music Ensemble 3:30pm – 4:15pm
<b>Weds</b>	Code Club 3.15-4.15 pm BOCCIA – Wednesday 3.30-4.30
<b>Thurs</b>	Y5 & Y6 Boys football
<b>Fri</b>	Y5 & Y6 Girls football (postponed)



## Parental Support

Supporting Safe Use of AI

A practical guide helping parents and educators support children and young people to use AI safely, thoughtfully and responsibly in everyday life. Please see [here](#) for further information.

## Book of the week:

Title: The Last Bear by Hannah Gold

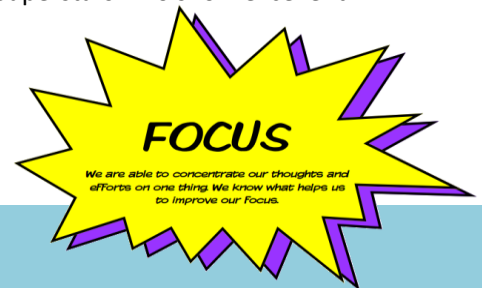
Reading Age: 8+

Why we love it: Who could imagine a polar bear and an 11 year old girl becoming best friends, then depending on each other to survive? Set in the Arctic, this is a story of hope, friendship and the importance of protecting our fragile planet.



## Next week’s IFS

In class next week, we will be looking for IFS Superstars who show excellent...



## Other notes/links:

Leicester Outdoor Pursuits Centre is running a February Half-Term Club designed for children in **Year 1 or older**. See [here](#) for further information.

English Martyrs’ Panto – ARH students are being offered free tickets for their staff panto on Wednesday 11th February after school (information on the attachment). Just type ARH in the special notes area and it should all become free of charge. Please see [here](#) for further information.

