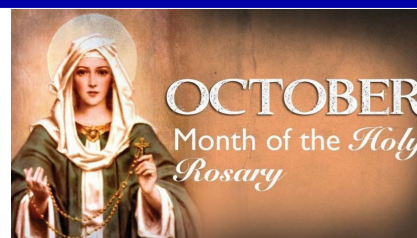




Pope Francis
@Pontifex

Today begins the month of October, the month of the Rosary and of the missions. I encourage everyone to experience the beauty of praying the Rosary, contemplating the mysteries of Christ with Mary and invoking her intercession for the needs of the Church and of the world.

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Dear Parents and Carers,

On Friday, ten children from Year 5 and Year 6 joined myself and Mrs Tella at the Diocesan Mass for schools. This is attended by every Catholic school in East Anglia and it is the first time we have had this event since before the pandemic. It was such a joyful occasion and Bishop Peter was so pleased to have us all together and Sofia, was able to go and meet him personally and represent our school. We look forward to Bishop Peter visiting our school in the Summer term. Thank you to Emma, Anthony, Aibhilin, Mya, Karl, Ella, Oscar, George, Sofia and Caitlyn, who represented our school beautifully on Friday.

This month is Black History month, and we are having a focus on Black authors as part of our theme of Reading for Pleasure this year. Look out for recommendations on the next page.

God bless.

Warm regards,

Lucille Martin



We are now collecting a for FIND—Families in Need Food bank in Ipswich. Please bring in tins etc. over the next few weeks.



TERM DATES 2023-24

*Inset days: Monday 4th September
Tuesday 5th September*

Pupils back:

Wednesday 6th September

Half term:

Monday 23rd October
to Friday 27th October

Term ends:

Wednesday 20th December

Our Gospel Values

Creativity
Courage
Forgiveness
Generosity
Humility
Joy
Perseverance
Stewardship

Head teacher

Mrs Lucille Martin

Assistant Head teacher

Mr Ross McGill

SENCO

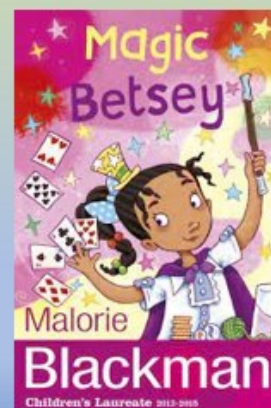
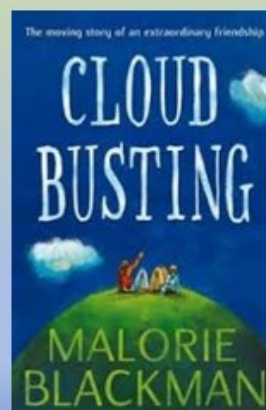
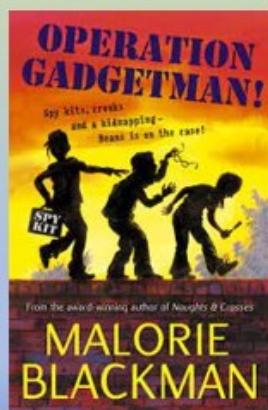
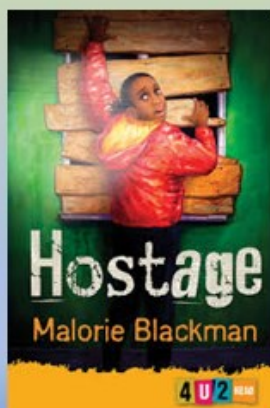
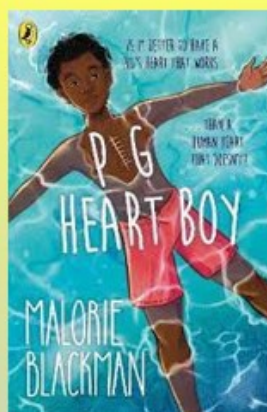
Mrs Rebecca McGill

Our Classes

Rainbows Miss Aldous
Mrs Iannelli
Class 1 Mrs Thackeray
Mrs Nwafor
Mrs Durston
Class 2 Mrs Veitch
Ms Hughes
Ms Abbott
Class 3 Mr Grimwood
Mrs Harvey
Class 4 Mrs Crowther
Mrs Tella
Class 5 Mrs Jones
Mrs Smith
Mrs Katkuniene
Class 6 Mr McGill
Ms Borley

This week's Author

Malorie Blackman



Malorie was born in London on 8th February 1962. She enjoyed spending time in the library as a child and she read many books ranging from classic stories to science fiction. Malorie trained in computer science and worked as a computer programmer before making the decision to leave computing to become a writer.

Malorie noticed that none of the books that she read when she was younger featured characters who were Black people. Wanting to change this, she decided to start writing the books that she would have wanted to read when she was a child. These were sci-fi books, adventure tales and more, all of which featured Black characters. Malorie spent over two years sending stories that she had written to different publishers. She was rejected 82 times before somebody said that they wanted to publish her writing. In 1990, her first book 'Not So Stupid!: Incredible Short Stories' was published.

In 1997, Malorie's book 'Pig Heart Boy' was published. This book was made into a television series where it won an award for best children's drama. Since her first book was published, Malorie has written lots more books for young children, older children and young adults.

Harvest Collection: This year we are collecting for FIND. Below are some of the items they are in need of. Please bring in your items before Thursday 19th October.



JUST SOME OF THE ITEMS YOU CAN DONATE

- Long grain rice
- Long-life whole milk
- Toiletries for men, women and children
- Tinned vegetables, meat, fruit/desserts
- Coffee
- Sugar
- Jam
- Soup
- Pet food (dog, cat, fish, rabbit/guinea pig)
- Fresh food (Cheese, butter, fruit, veg)

MR. MCGILL'S WEEKLY UPDATE - ONLINE SAFETY!



Snapchat AI

Snapchat have recently released an AI chatbot. It's important to know that this feature cannot be removed or turned off, unless you pay to do so. As I know that several of our upper KS2 children use Snapchat daily, this guide may be worth a read for several parents. <https://www.waynedenner.com/blog/snapchat-my-ai-chatbot/>

Youtube supervised account

Youtube seems to be the most popular past-time of many of our children during their screentime. Are you aware of what they are watching? Setting up a supervised account is far easier than you may think. This guide can help you. <https://esafety-adviser.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=cbd59b76f0e1ad9db768db345&id=3bd8b740ec&e=60e8903beb>

Rainbows – **Ethan** -well done for being brave and coming into the Rainbows classroom with a smile every morning!

Sun class – **Connie** for always following the school rules and always being ready to learn.

Moon class – **Lenny** for always listening and remaining focused during every lesson. Keep it up Lenny!

Flora class – **Fausta**, for fantastic focus and work ethic.

Stars of the Week



Fauna class – **Hanz Marco**, for trying his best to answer questions in both Maths and English this week, we are very proud.

Ocean class – **Isabel** for an excellent, mature start to Year 5. You are fully engaged in the learning and share this understanding with the class.

Mountain class - **Izaiah**, for a tremendous start to Year 6. He has shown great focus and determination in all lessons.

Rainbows – **Esme**- for using her imagination well to create a beautiful flower picture for God's creation story work in RE.

Sun class – **Harrison** for brilliant sentence composition. Mrs Rafferty was very impressed.

Moon class – **Marlee** for such a positive attitude in the classroom and fantastic effort in Maths this week. Keep up the great work Marlee.

Flora class – **Miky**, for going out of her way to help her peers.

Stars of the Week



Fauna class – **Dylan** for being an excellent role model to his peers, he is always willing to learn and perseveres when he faces a challenge. Keep up the fabulous work!

Ocean class – **Ciara** for writing an amazing story based in the culture of Japan using very ambitious vocabulary choices!

Mountain class - **Ella** - for consistently demonstrating model learning behaviours and challenging herself in all lessons.



**Think
before you
park**

Your guide to safer parking outside schools

POOR AND INCONSIDERATE PARKING CLOSE TO SCHOOLS CAN PLACE CHILDREN AT RISK

Most accidents involving children outside schools occur when a child has their sight obscured by parked cars.

Parking restrictions and marked areas on the roads are there for a reason – to keep children safe. The safest option when dropping or picking your children up is to park away from the school and take a short walk to the gates.

If you must park near to school and space is limited, please follow the rules:

- **Do NOT park on zig-zag lines or KEEP CLEAR markings**
- **Do NOT park on yellow line restrictions**
- **Do NOT park across dropped kerbs or drives**
- **Do NOT park on footpaths**
- **Do NOT stop to drop kids off in the centre of the road**

Failure to follow these rules may result in a Penalty Charge Notice being issued.

Please park safely and be considerate of children and residents by not causing an obstruction

#thinkb4upark



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