



New Road Primary and Nursery School

# Headteacher Update

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear Parents, pupils, and staff,

Welcome back, as we step into 2026, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible journey we shared throughout 2025. Your unwavering support, encouragement, and partnership have been the cornerstone of everything we achieved together. Thank you for being such an important part of our school community.

This year, our focus remains on the trust's values of **aspiration and achievement for all**. Like you, we want every child to fulfil their potential and learn the value of hard work and working hard to achieve a goal. Excellent attendance and behaviour in school are essential to a child's success and we will be focussing on these relentlessly during spring term.

That said, I strongly believe **kindness and community** are the values that define who we are. Our school is more than a place of learning; it is a **welcoming community to which we all belong**, where people from all walks of life come together, united by a shared commitment to nurture, respect, and celebrate one another. In a world that often feels divided and hurtful, we are proud to stand as an example of **kindness in action**.

In 2026, we will continue to create opportunities for every child to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. We will deepen our work on wellbeing, strengthen our connections with families, and ensure that every voice in our community is heard and valued. Together, we will make this year one of growth, joy, and shared success.

Thank you for being part of this journey. Here's to a year filled with learning, laughter, and kindness.

**Mr Rob Litten**

**Headteacher**

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## Future Dates

<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Back to School 😊
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Friends Meeting 3.30pm main reception new members welcome. Will be discussing the organization of the Summer Fete
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Straw Bear Visit with musician Kathryn Johnstone
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	Table Tennis Tournament

## Term Dates 2025/2026

<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Term 2026</b>  Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February  Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February Professional Day (Closed to Pupils)  <b>Half Term</b>  Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February</p>	<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Term 2026</b>  Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March  <b>Half Term</b>  Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April</p>
<p><b>5<sup>th</sup> Term 2026</b>  Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May  Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May (May Day School Closed)  <b>Half Term</b>  Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May</p>	<p><b>6<sup>th</sup> Term 2026</b>  Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July  Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July Professional Day (Closed to pupils)</p>