



# Year 1 News Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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## Notice board:

**Show and Tell:** Our new topic 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers' or an achievement.

24<sup>th</sup> February Tiddlers —  
17<sup>th</sup> March Gruffalo

3<sup>rd</sup> March Zog  
24<sup>th</sup> Stickman

10<sup>th</sup> March Highway Rats

### Big Walk and Wheel Challenge:

Next week, we will be taking part in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. 2,239 Schools are taking part! The challenge will run from 16<sup>th</sup> March - 27<sup>th</sup> March and we encourage you to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event. Please note that this is slightly different from our normal Walk to School week in May.

Active travel is a great way to build physical activity into children's daily routine. It helps them arrive to school more relaxed and alert and is great for their mental wellbeing.

Useful websites:

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)

[www.purplemash.co.uk](http://www.purplemash.co.uk)

[www.numbots.co.uk](http://www.numbots.co.uk)

## Maths

In maths, the children will continue to look at coins before they begin counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. They will begin by whispering and speaking more loudly the skip count, before dropping the whispered number. They will work on counting forwards and backwards. They will also make links to counting coins.

## English/Topic

The children will be returning to their RWI groups to continue these daily sessions.

In topic, children will participate in a science investigation about teeth and which teeth are needed to eat different types of food. They will also label different parts of their body and explain what they do.

### Talk Task:

Please can you talk to your child about the different animals that make up the 'mammal' animal group? How do they know if an animal is a mammal?

Other animal groups you could explore: **reptiles, amphibians, birds, fish**

### Maths Task:

The pictogram shows towers of bricks that represent how pupils travelled to school. Which types of transport have a difference of 9? Hint: there's 2 answers



**Reading Task:** Please ensure you read with your child every night and record this in their reading record.

Here are the links for special friends 'ay', 'oi' and word challenge 12

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/5E6zUwKX/xTK6DW9v>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/qPcji4O5/mIb7oV8y>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/fgM1t9pj/Xs3NfV05>