

LMS Matters

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Dear Parents and Carers

In assembly this week I told the children about the Jewish holiday of **PURIM**, sharing with them the story behind the celebration which took place this week. The theme of the story is that occasionally a moment comes when we have a chance to do something important to change things. Sometimes it's easier to stay quiet and not speak up when we know something is wrong. We want to grow young people in our school that can make a difference to the life of someone, maybe today, maybe this week, maybe just in their lifetime. When the world is as unpredictable as ever, sometimes it's good to reflect on ancient themes and stories that have stood the test of time and use them to make the here and now the best it can be for us and for others.

I had the pleasure of accompanying some of our amazing **MUSICIANS** this week to festivals celebrating music across MK. As ever, the children blew me away with their talent, their confidence and of course their behaviour. We are so lucky to have such dedicated peripatetic teachers come to the school, such committed children and, of course, such patient parents and carers. I have posted some photos on my Twitter page.

I am pleased to announce our **JUNIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM** for this year. A huge well done to our new **HEAD STUDENTS** Hudson and Iris and **DEPUTY HEAD STUDENTS** Felicia, Jessica and Amy. They will be working with me to develop the strategic size of our school, working alongside the school council to make LMS a better place. A huge congratulations to them all.

As you are probably aware there has been a **TIKTOK TREND** on social media circulating over this past week promoting "school fights" between secondary schools. Please note that Thames Valley police are fully aware of this and are monitoring it. However, if you become aware of any potential incidents or concerns, please use 101 for non urgent reports or 999 if you believe a crime is in progress or there is an immediate risk to safety.

Yesterday we celebrated **WORLD BOOK DAY** with the theme of Illustrators – Bringing Stories to Life. Throughout the day, the children took part in a range of creative activities focused on illustration. It was lovely seeing those children who chose to dress up but as ever it does not matter if you didn't – it's exploring and celebrating books, reading and illustrations which matter. A huge thanks to Mrs Evans for organising the day.

This week we had Mr Smith and Mr Richies deliver a very exciting assembly to promote a **FREE MUSIC TECHNOLOGY CLUB** at Shenley Brook End school on Thursdays 3:30-4:30pm for Years 5 and 6. Mr Smith has compiled a list of free apps that the children can use, a few of which he demonstrated in the assembly - they are: <https://musictechhub.org/free-browser-based-apps/> and <https://musictechhub.org/free-ios-apps/>. Please see their flyer further on in this newsletter.

Date for your diary – our **SCHOOL COUNCIL** will be supporting **COMIC RELIEF** on Friday 20th March, this will be a non school uniform day and donations can be made using the link: <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=20540>. Have a lovely weekend together and see you all next week.

Mr Gray



EYFS/KSI

Newts

who achieved

96.3%

KS2

Thistles

who achieved

99.7%



TTROCK Stars

Weekly class champions!

KS1

Frogs

KS2

Bracken



**This term's EYFS
maths workshop
will be on
Wednesday
18th March
between 3.20-
4.00pm.**

DATES

FOR YOUR DIARY

School Term and Bank Holiday Dates 2025 / 2026

Term	Open morning of:	Close at the end of afternoon session of:
Autumn Term 2025	Wednesday 3 September 2025	Friday 24 October 2025
	Monday 3 November 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
Spring Term 2026	Tuesday 6 January 2026	Friday 13 February 2026
	Monday 23 February 2026	Friday 27 March 2026
Summer Term 2026	Tuesday 14 April 2026	Friday 22 May 2026
	Monday 1 June 2026	Friday 17 July 2026

Training days agreed to date: (on these days children do not come to school but staff do)

Monday 1 September 2025 / Tuesday 2 September 2025 / Monday 5 January 2026 / Monday 13 April 2026 / Monday 20 July 2026

Good Friday: Friday 3 April 2026

Easter Monday: Monday 6 April 2026

May Day: Monday 4 May 2026

Spring Term 2026

Monday 9 March	EYFS Visit to the Library
Wednesday 11 March	EYFS Visit to the Library
Wednesday 11 March	EYFS Literacy Workshop (3.15-3.45pm)
Friday 13 March	Year 5 West Ashland Fire Station visiting
w/c 16 March	Year 6 Mock SATs
Monday 16-19 March	Book Fair (3.15-3.45pm)
Tuesday 17 March	Year 3 Residential Parent Meeting (5-6pm)
Weds 18-20 March	Year 5 Bikeability
Wednesday 18 March	Year 1/2 Learning Fair
Thursday 19 March	Year 3 Brioche Pasquier
Friday 20 March	Comic Relief
Monday 23 March	Year 6 Bletchley Park
Tuesday 24 March	Year 6 Bletchley Park
Wednesday 25 March	EYFS & KS1 Awards Assembly (9.10am)
Wednesday 25 March	Year 3 & 4 Awards Assembly (2.15pm)
Wednesday 25 March	PALMS Easter Crafts KS1
Wednesday 25 March	Year 4 Residential Parent Meeting (3.15pm in Y4 class)
Thursday 26 March	Class Photos
Thursday 26 March	Year 5 & 6 Awards Assembly (2.15pm)
Thursday 26 March	PALMS Easter Crafts KS2
Friday 27 March	PALMS Easter Hat Day
Friday 27 March	Last day of Spring Term
30 March - 10 April	Easter Holidays
Monday 13 April	INSET Day

LMS Safeguarding

Dandy's World

Our IT monitoring and filtering systems at school provide us with a list of things that have tried to be accessed as well as the most common searches that have been made. One name has been new to us this week, **DANDY'S WORLD**, which appears to be part of **ROBLOX**. For your information...**Content & Gameplay:** The game involves escaping and surviving, which can be intense. It is a "rubber hose" animation style game, but features distorted characters (Twisted).

Online Safety: Dandy's World is played on Roblox, which allows interaction with other users. While the game itself is not explicitly violent, players should be aware of potential social interaction risks in public servers. **Violence:** The game has mild violence, but there is no graphic, bloody, or sexual content. The game is likely best for older children due to its intense nature. Overall, Dandy's World is a generally safe and engaging game for kids but it can be a little intense so it is a good idea to monitor your child's playtime and ensure they are safe online. So please don't forget to Utilise Roblox's chat and privacy settings to manage interaction.

LMS Well-being

I don't mind people not reading the room. What I struggle with is people reading the room on behalf of everyone else.

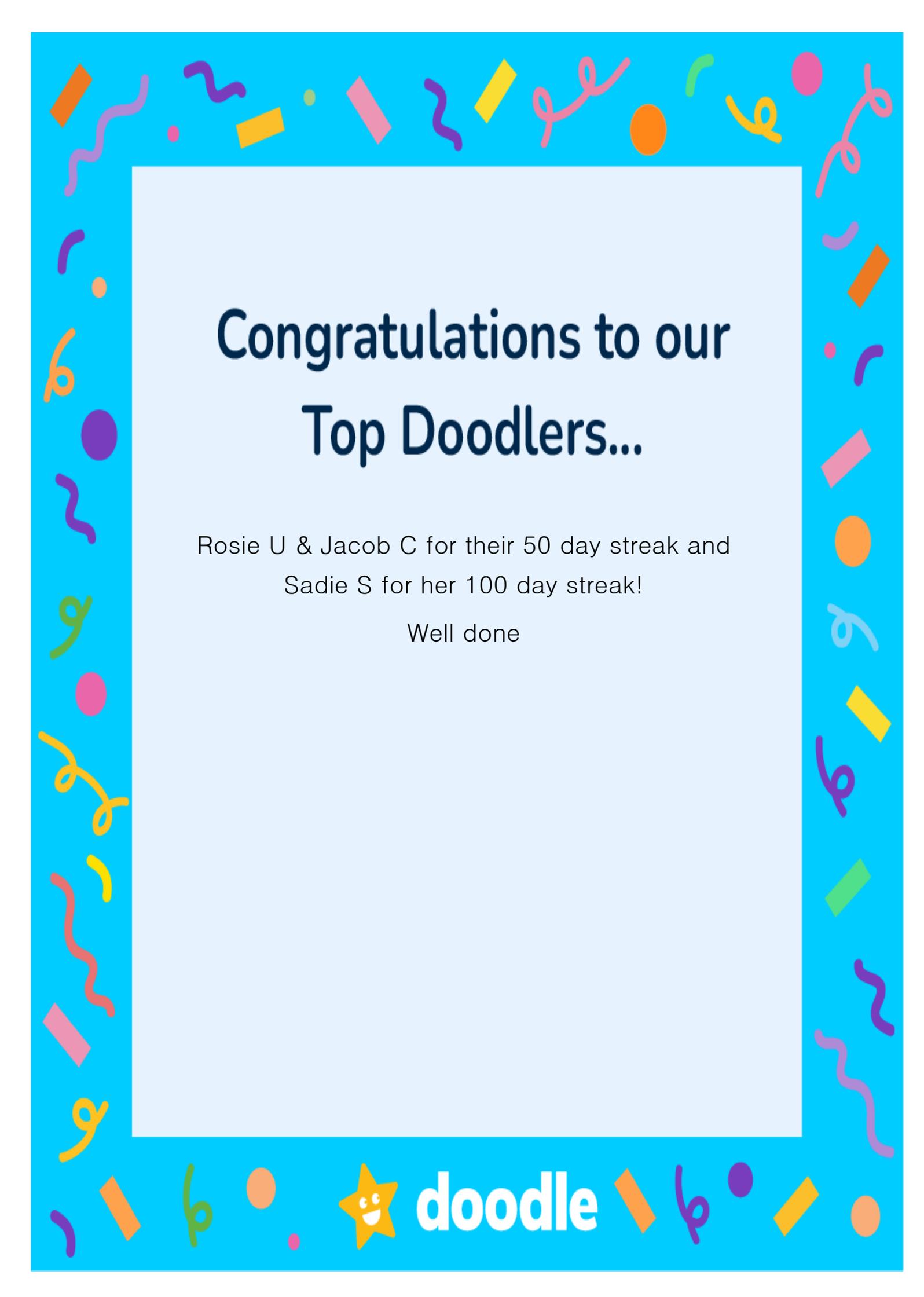
You know the move: confidently projecting motives, intentions and hidden agendas onto other people. Filling in gaps with a story that just happens to suit your own worldview. Putting words into mouths that never opened. If you ever want a masterclass in this, spend an hour watching The Traitors and you'll see how utterly convinced people are of their carefully constructed yet wildly inaccurate point of view.

The world's full of opinion and, bluntly, even the righteous are often wrong. So here's my checklist to help check yourself before going in all guns blazing:

- When you think you're right, always entertain the possibility that you're wrong.
- When you're absolutely convinced you're right, see rule 1.
- Conclusions are not meant to be jumped to. By all means arrive at them; treading carefully is by far the safest mode of transport.
- It's better to think well of people and be proved wrong than think badly and hunt for evidence. If you search hard enough, you'll always find a sliver of justification.
- On balance, most misdemeanours are committed by good people having a bad day.
- You can force the wrong pieces into a jigsaw. It still won't give you the right picture.
- At some point, we all benefit from a little goodwill. 'All' includes you.
- Fact: people are not always at their best. If others fail to meet your lofty standards, climb down from the loft. Looking down on others is never a good perspective.
- Somewhere in your past, someone cut you some slack – possibly without you ever noticing. Quiet compassion keeps the world turning.
- Try under-thinking occasionally. Once you accept that not everything makes sense, it often starts to.

My point? The truth is not everyone and everything is your cup of tea, and that's okay. It's called preference, and it's a beautiful thing.

Just remember, a liking for one thing doesn't have to mean automatically adopting a dislike for another. People are allowed to have a different opinion to yours. Rather than dismiss, be curious, you might learn something.



Congratulations to our Top Doodlers...

Rosie U & Jacob C for their 50 day streak and
Sadie S for her 100 day streak!

Well done



doodle



Long Meadow Legends

Tadpoles – Saifan for being Subitiser of the Week and Saifan for asking for help when he needs it – something he finds hard to do. #Proud

Minnows – Grayson for some amazing art work this week.

Sticklebacks – Bobby for always being a super helpful friend.

Frogs – Alexie & Bamiki for excellent partner work in history.

Newts – Aiden for his fabulous attitude to learning.

Hogweed – Indie for stunning science learning.

Bracken – Dara for her increased participation in class discussions.

Hawthorn – Theo for amazing effort and dedication to music this week.

Foxgloves – Anna for increased confidence & sharing her brilliant ideas in writing.

Ferns – Krystal for being a general, all round superstar & for amazing work in maths.

Thistles – Ryan for always showing enthusiasm and trying his best.

Brambles – Daisy for her perseverance with maths this week.

Teasels – Sunshine for seeking ways to improve his learning in all subjects.

Sports Person of the Week

Sports person of the week is Ezra in Year 3. He has made a wonderful start to our Hockey topic showing excellent control both in dribbling and passing with an improved understanding of keeping the ball with his team mates away from defenders. All of this being done with confidence to show demonstrations to the whole class!

#PROUD



Easter Hat Day – Friday 27th March

We are having a free ‘Wear an Easter Hat’ day at school on the last day of term.

Busy schedule or running low on craft supplies? Don’t worry! 🧡 PALMS PTA’s Easter Crafting Session 🧡 has everything children need to create a fantastic hat ready for the big day.

Spaces are limited – only 6 KS2 places left! 🚨

Bookings close 13th March so we can order enough craft kits for each child.

KS1: <https://pta.events/KS1Easter>

KS2: <https://pta.events/KS2Easter>

MARCH



**LEGOLAND FOR
INSET DAY
13th April**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 KS1 Easter Crafting	26 KS2 Easter Crafting	27 Easter Hat Day Free	28
29	30	31				4

EASTER HOLIDAYS

APRIL

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
EASTER HOLIDAYS						
12	13 LEGOLAND	14	BACK TO SCHOOL			

Don’t forget School is closed for inset day on 13th April.

PALMS PTA has arranged discounted tickets to Legoland, giving families a fun option for children while the school is closed.

Please note that **only 100 tickets** are available.

Sales will close on Tuesday 25th March or sooner if tickets sell out, so we encourage families to book as soon as possible to avoid missing out.

<https://pta.events/LegolandApril>

Parents/carers must accompany their children.

Families are responsible for their own transport.

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DISCOVER MUSIC TECH AT YOUR FUTURE SECONDARY SCHOOL

A free and exciting after-school club for Upper KS2 (Yr 5 & Yr 6)

We're excited to share a brilliant opportunity for you to explore some exciting music technology music making sessions. The club will run weekly on Thursday at Shenley Brook End school from 3.30pm to 4.30pm and you're invited to go along and make exciting music for free!

What You'll Do:

Finger Drumming: Drop beats like a pro using specialist Yamaha gear.

Browser Beat Makers: Create your own music online using free tools you can continue using at home.

iPad Music Making: Swipe, tap, and loop your way to your very own booming beats using iPad apps.



Why Join?

- Visit and explore the music department at your future school
- Meet your future music teacher
- Make music with other pupils from local schools
- Try exciting new tech and get creative
- No experience needed — just bring your curiosity!

It's a great way to build confidence, make new friends, and get a taste of what's to come in Year 7 — all while having fun making music!



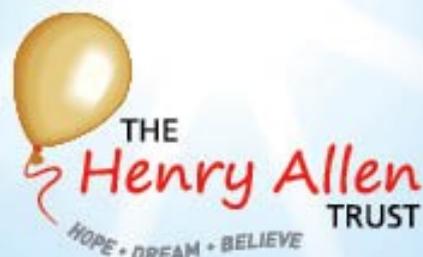
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Music Hub



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As well as Easter eggs we are asking for
Easter Themed Games · Colouring Books
Activities · Arts & Crafts · Confectionery



A list of Eggstra Special Easter Wishes

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Team Henry and
the Easter chicks by
donating Easter treats
for Children, teens,
young adults and
their families battling
childhood
cancer

If you would like to donate a treat from our Amazon Easter Wish List please visit <http://bit.ly/THATEaster>

Alternatively, if you would like to fundraise for us or donate to help support families battling childhood cancer please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/henryallentrust> or send a donation via PayPal enquiries@thehenryallentrust.org.uk



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I AM GOOD ENOUGH!
I CAN DO ANYTHING!
I LIKE MYSELF!

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A **transformational tool** that uses four simple, positive affirmations to help children build inner strength, resilience, and self-belief.

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make
well



Easter Break

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10th April**

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 - Climbing & abseiling
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 - Bouncy castle & zorbing
 - Scavenger hunt & rocket challenge
 - Team games & confidence-building challenges
- (Activities vary by age, weather and day)*



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- ✓ Children grouped by age
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