

Weekly Wrap-Up

MONDAY 4TH MAY IS
A BANK HOLIDAY.
SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED

Friday 1st May 2026



Important Info

Week commencing 04.05.26 - Menu Week 1

Please do not use the staff car park when dropping off or collecting children from Fun Factory. Guidance on using the car park at any other time was communicated to parents via MCAS on Thursday 29th April.

If you have not yet consented for your child to take part in the school photographs on 20th May and wish to do so please visit the 'Parent Consent' tab on the MCAS app to give your consent.

The deadline for booking 3M and OS's Parents' Evening appointments is Sunday 3rd May.

Diary Dates

Dates For Your Calendar

Summer Term

Next Week

04.05.26 Bank Holiday - School Closed
07.05.26 Height and Weight Checks EYFS & Y6

For the future

11.05.26 Y6 SATS
12.05.26 Y6 SATS
13.05.26 Y6 SATS
14.05.26 Y6 SATS
18.05.26 Y5 Library Visit
20.05.26 Class & Y6 Photographs
21.05.26 Y1 visit to Lifeboat Station and South Bay
21.05.26 2026 New Starter Meeting - invite only
22.05.26 Y3 Litter Pick
22.05.26 Break for Half Term

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Update from the head

Hello everyone,



Where else to start but with the amazing efforts from our wonderful families who have supported the children in raising over £2,700 for Saint Catherine's Hospice. This is incredible and everyone should be very proud.

As the weather continues to get warmer, please do take the time to see that children bring their water bottles and sun hats to school and if necessary apply sun cream before school.

I would also like to remind parents/carers that cycling shorts/Nike pro shorts are not appropriate attire for school. Please ensure your child comes to school with clothing of an appropriate length and style.

My thanks to everyone for their understanding of our new rules regarding the staff carpark. The decision to lock the gates at 8:30am at the start of the day and 3pm at the end of the day have been made to ensure the safety of our children and families.

In recent weeks, some children have been bringing in Pokémon cards and other toys to school. To avoid upset from loss or damage to these cards and toys, please ensure your child does not bring these items in from next week. I hope you all have a lovely long weekend and, as ever, thank you for your incredible support!

Mr Wriglesworth

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Winners**

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Class OCS & OS

We have had another busy week in EYFS. We started the week with a trip to the local library to explore both fiction and non-fiction books. The children loved finding a book to borrow and listening to stories inside and in the garden. They represented the school brilliantly - we are so proud of them!

We have continued learning our story 'The Teeny Weeny Tadpole'. As classes, we continued the story map using pictures and actions to help us memorise it. The children have written some lovely sentences about how the Teeny Weeny Tadpole was feeling and what he might be saying at different points in the story.

We have continued looking at our new artist 'L. S Lowry'. We learnt that he used charcoal when drawing buildings. We took our clipboards outside and used charcoal to sketch the school building, pressing harder and softer to add effect.



Year 1

Class 1A & 1M

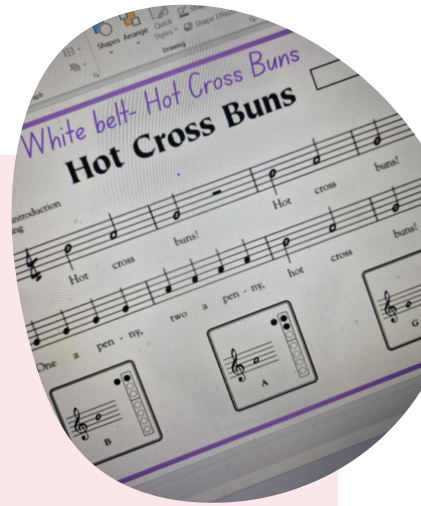
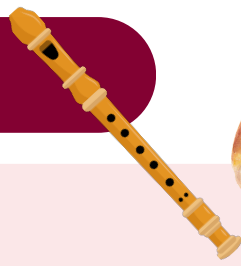
This week in maths, the children have been continuing their learning on fractions. We have found a half of a quantity and have explored quarters, by folding paper shapes to show 4 equal parts.

In geography, we have been looking at the different features of our beach, using both aerial photographs and photographs taken from the ground. We found that rock pools are created when the tide is low, and drew pictures of what the beach would look like at low and high tide.

We are continuing our Supertato writing unit by describing Evil Pea. We have used the prefix 'un' to describe him and joined descriptive sentences about him using the conjunction and.

We hope you enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend, and look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday 5th May.





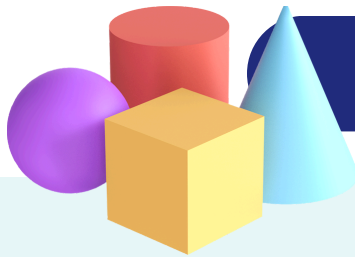
Class 2CM & 2S

This week in maths we have been learning about shape, counting the number of sides and vertices each shape has. We used a ruler to draw 2D shapes accurately. Can your child remember how many sides the following shapes have; triangle, square, pentagon, hexagon & octagon?

In reading we read a non-fiction text about medicine. In writing we have worked on including adjectives in our work and planned our own innovation stories based on Hansel and Gretel.

In music we have now learnt the notes B, A, G on the recorder and we learnt to play the song Hot Cross Buns. We did a fantastic job of keeping in time with each other!

In PE we worked on passing the football to each other using the inside of our foot and worked well with a partner. In science, we observed the changes that have happened to our flowers. We learnt about what happens to plants if they don't have everything they need to survive.



Class 3M & 3S

In Maths, we have been learning about 3D shapes. The children really enjoyed getting hands-on by building their own models using straws and plasticine, which helped them understand the shapes in a fun and practical way.

In Writing, we are continuing with our Mario-themed story and have now begun to innovate, adding our own creative ideas and twists to make the stories even more exciting.

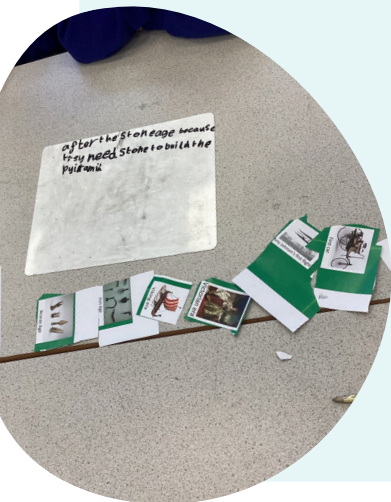
In Reading, we are getting to know the characters in Charlotte's Web more deeply. The children are becoming very engaged in the story and are already starting to worry about what might happen to Wilbur next!

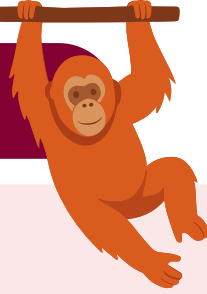
In History, we explored where the Ancient Egyptians fit on a timeline, helping us to understand how long ago they lived and how they relate to other periods we have studied.

PE this week focused on developing teamwork skills. The children worked together in a range of fun games, learning how to communicate, cooperate, and support one another.

In Design and Technology, we have been testing levers and pulleys. The children explored different types of fulcrums and enjoyed investigating how these simple mechanisms work.

It has been a fantastic week, and I'm very proud of all the effort and enthusiasm shown by the class.





Class 4GR & 4SR

In Science this week, the children really enjoyed making their own telephones as they continued to learn about sound as a vibration.

They experimented with changing the distance, holding the string and letting the string be loose to see how it affected the sound.

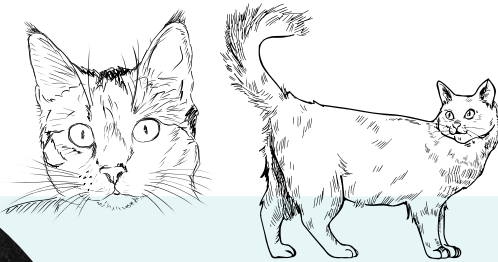
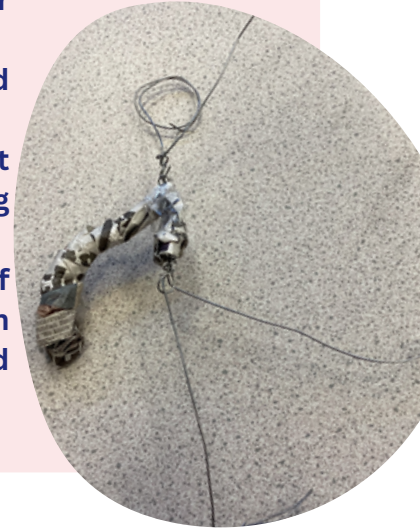
In Art, we have been making wire armatures of people in motion, inspired by George Segal. We then padded them with newspaper in preparation for the Mod Roc. Twisting the wire was fun but tricky!

In Maths this week we have been learning about area and perimeter and have been converting different lengths e.g. km to m.

We are enjoying reading more about Varjak Paw, the Mesopotamian Blue cat and this week he was chosen to learn the story of his ancestors after being bullied by the other cats.

In Writing, we have been writing our 'innovation' text with the purpose of persuading people to take action to look after orangutans. We have been really impressed with some of the rhetorical questions and exaggerated language the children have used.

Well done Year 4 and have a super bank holiday weekend!



Class 5BW & 5S

This week in our Reading lessons, we have learned about the poem *Invictus* by William Ernest Henley. Once we found out that he had had his leg amputated due to tuberculosis, we could see why his poem was so powerful. Some of us then had a go at performing the poem, using emphasis.

We have been looking at different kinds of angles in our Maths lessons. We learned the maths terms acute, obtuse and reflex and have used this to help estimate angles with increasing accuracy.

In Writing, we are continuing with our warning stories. We have practised putting dialogue into our text, using the correct punctuation. We are looking forward to writing our innovations next week, based on our plan from this week.

We felt particularly successful in our Art lesson. We used guidelines to draw with proportion. Our cat sketches were quite impressive and used tone and line effectively!





Class 6B & 60

Year six have spent this week writing a newspaper report about the fictional disappearance of someone in Whitby that may be linked to the legend of Dracula. They have included witness statements, police information and local knowledge to inform the readers of what may have happened! Brilliant writing year six!

In geography, we have been exploring the products that are grown in the different climates of South America such as coffee beans, bananas and grapes.

All of the children are working so hard in their maths and reading revision. We hope you have an amazing and relaxing bank holiday weekend!

A letter regarding the SATs was sent home via MCAS on 28th April. Please take some time to read through it, it contains information on the tests and the ever popular SATs breakfasts!



Attendance

Attendance matters.

Coming to school on time, every day is vital to achieving the best possible outcomes as well as learning good habits which will benefit everyone in the future. Below is this weeks' attendance.

EYFS

Ms Stanley	91.4%
Miss Scott	98.6%

Year 1

Mrs Allenby	93.3%
Mrs Tiple / Mrs McGuinness	94.8%

Year 2

Mrs Clayton / Mrs McGuinness	88.6%
Mrs Stubbings	92.3%

Year 3

Mrs Murphy	96.4%
Miss Scuffham	97.2%

Year 4

Mrs Gortzak / Mrs Rowe	93.3%
Mrs Smith / Mrs Rowe	92.3%

Year 5

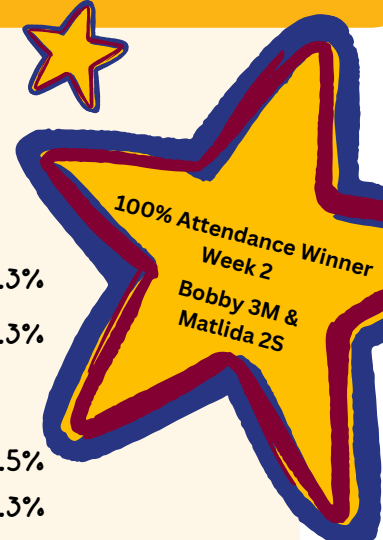
Mr Bates / Mrs Winspear	93.5%
Mrs Sutton	92.3%

Year 6

Mr Bolton	91.3%
Mrs O'keeffe	96.7%

Week x attendance winners

KS1 Winners: 05 Miss Scott
KS2 Winners: 35 Miss Scuffham



Other News

Track and Field League

We were able to take 4 teams to the first of this year's athletics track and field events on Monday. All of the children performed with enthusiasm and resilience, showing off their future potential. Thank you to all the children who tried out for the team- we were spoilt for choice.



Fundraising

Our Bunny Hop raised a magnificent £2719.90 for Saint Catherine's Hospice. This will go towards patient care. Thank you to everyone who took part and raised money. Especially Jack and George who raised the most money and won a prize for doing so!



Lates

So far this academic year there have been 748 instances of lateness, this equates to 193 hours of missed learning! Arriving to school on time is an important life skill. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time, ready to learn.



Safeguarding

Ensuring our pupils are safe and well looked after is our key priority.



Sarah Tipple

Assistant
Headteacher
Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Helen Wardman

Inclusion Manager,
Deputy Safeguarding
Lead



Tom Wriglesworth

Headteacher,
Deputy Safeguarding
Lead



Rebecca McGuinness

Class Teacher/
SENDCO
Deputy
Safeguarding Lead

All staff have received Safeguarding training to ensure that they can recognise signs and symptoms of abuse and also how to report/act if a disclosure is made.

Concerns about the safety or welfare of a child? **Contact us:** 01723 628517

Out of hours contact number: 0300 1312131

For more information:

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