



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous week! The children have enjoyed many workshops, visits from authors and an incredible parade. As someone who is new to Fred's, I cannot describe how impressed I was by the effort put into the costumes. It really was a spectacular parade and was enjoyed by all. Once again, I would like to thank you all for your support, which makes these events so special. I feel very privileged to be part of such an incredible community!

We hope you enjoy all the pictures this week showing highlights from Book Week and World Book Day. Thank you to Mr McCann, who did an amazing job organising the week and ensuring it ran as successfully and smoothly as it did.

Next week, we have more engaging events planned, including a nursery trip to Kentish Town Farm—I cannot wait to hear all about their experience. Year 4 will also be attending a music event at St Thomas, further fostering the school's strong passion for music. Year 5 will also be continuing their cycle training, which they have really enjoyed, while gaining valuable skills for the future.

I look forward to seeing you all next week—have a wonderful weekend and enjoy the beautiful spring sunshine.

Warmest wishes,
Miss Fautley

SEND Parent Group

Due to parent feedback, we will rescheduling the **next meeting for a different date after the Easter holidays..** This will be communicated to parents as soon as confirmed.

In the meantime, we continue to encourage parents to donate any funds they are kindly able to to the ABC fund to support SEN and inclusion at our school.

What an amazing Book Week it has been at our school. From inspiring author assemblies and engaging workshops to our annual World Book Day Parade, it has truly been a week to remember.

A huge thank you first and foremost to the wonderful authors and illustrators who visited us throughout the week. Their enthusiasm and creativity certainly inspired our children and helped foster a real love of reading, which is exactly what this special week is all about.

We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to our PSA, who continue to support the school year after year by funding Book Week and helping make these fantastic opportunities possible for our pupils.

Special thanks must also go to Miriam and everyone at Queen's Park Books, who provide the books for our sales and author signings. Without their support, this important part of the author visits simply wouldn't be possible. If you get the chance, please do pop in, say hello and support our brilliant local bookshop.

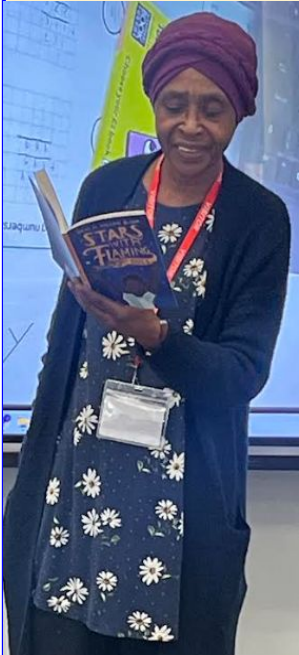
Now that the dust has settled on another fantastic Book Week, preparations are already underway for 2027 with one author already booked in (hint: Blobfish!).

Happy Reading,
Mr McCann

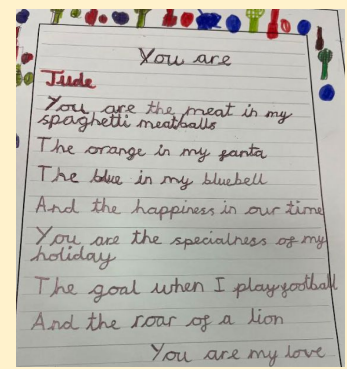
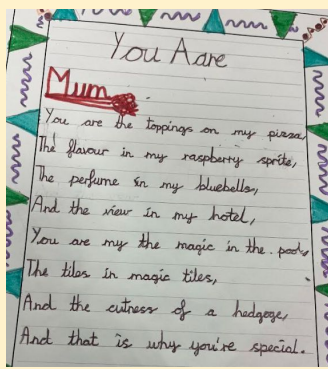
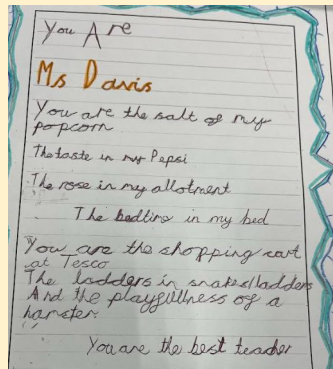


Learning in action

Here are some highlights of children at Fred's enjoying their learning at the start of the year:



3 Bramble had a wonderful time during their workshop with the fantastic poet and author Valerie Bloom. The children were completely engrossed and created some truly outstanding poetry.



Year 1 went on a forest animal hunt as a hook for our new book, Billy and the Beast.



We were delighted to see Coco Chanel and Flat Stanley on World Book Day.

Nursery had a fantastic world book day full of enthusiasm for books and their own characters. In celebration of the day there is a new reading shed open in the playground full of books for the children to access when they are playing outside. We are still investigating growth as our half term focus and the children have all made a mini greenhouse to go on the classroom window with a pea seed inside to watch. Here some wonderful name writing is going on.



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1 Thyme made the most of the sunshine and spent the afternoon reading in the embankment.

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5 Ash World Book Day 2026



5 Ash thoroughly enjoyed Book Week. All of the costumes were imaginative and creative. Well done everybody!



Year 5 were lucky to have an author workshop and assembly from Sharna Jackson. We collaboratively worked together to write our own murder mystery. Would you know who did it?

Learning in action continued....



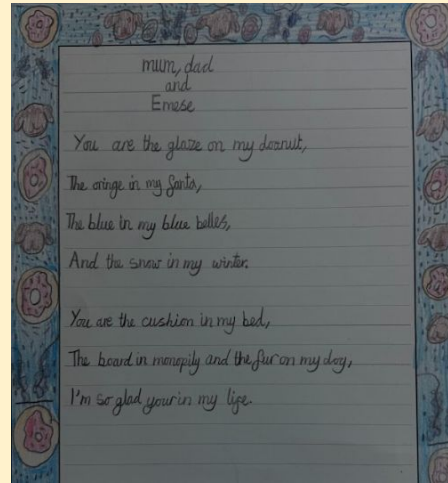
2 Thistle have thoroughly enjoyed book week! They were engaged in their workshop with the author of 'The Selfish Crab' - Anya Glazer and of course sharing their amazing World Book Day costumes!



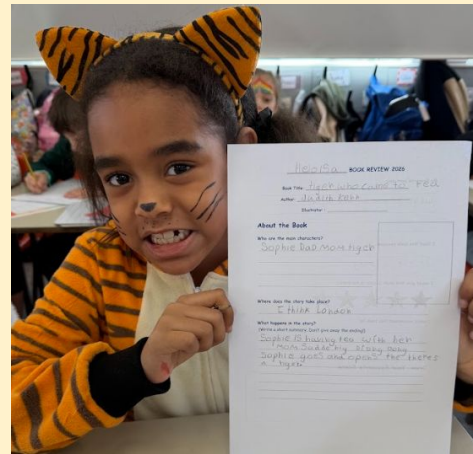
Reception Buttercup enjoyed their visit from the author Gareth P Jones. Here they are in their wonderful costumes.



Learning in action continued....



3 Hawthorn have absolutely loved Book Week! We have written book reviews and after our workshop with Valerie Bloom, we produced amazing poems about the people we care about.



Learning in action continued....



2 Honeysuckle have had a fantastic week full of fun activities, including sorting shapes, enjoying wonderful workshops with various, writing poetry, and celebrating World Book Day in amazing costumes.



My favourite things ZZ

1.	Food	Sushi
2.	Drink	Juice
3.	Person	Miss c-c
4.	Flower	drops snow drops
5.	Time	Summer because
6.	Place	England
7.	Game	Monopoly
8.	Animal	Lion

(pen and paper)

Miss C-C
 You are the rice in my
 sushi. The fruit my juice.
 The princess in my
 snow drop. And going to
 greece in summer. The ~~teacher~~ ^{plays}
 in Monopoly. And the ~~best~~ ^{with}
 of the lion you are the
 best teacher in the world.

Lucas

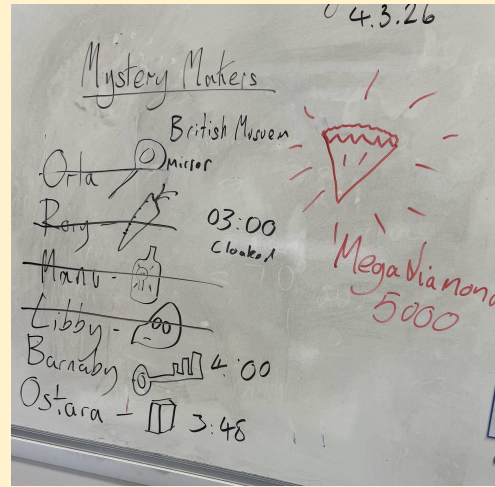
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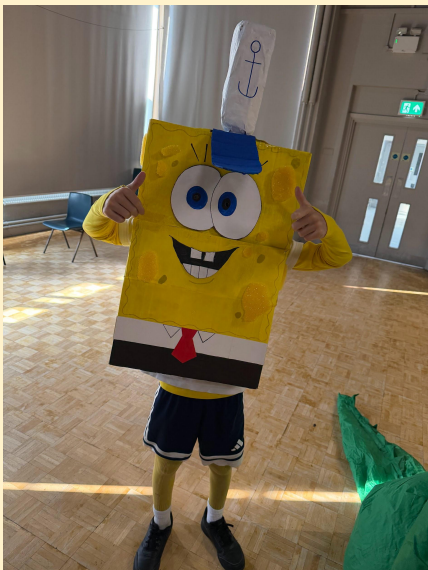
6 Oak thoroughly enjoyed dressing up in their Book Day costumes. They also enjoyed reading to their buddies in Reception Dandelion and teaching them how to play the glockenspiel.



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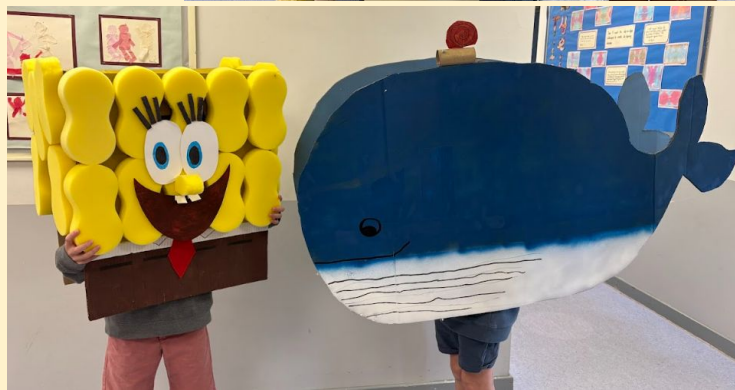
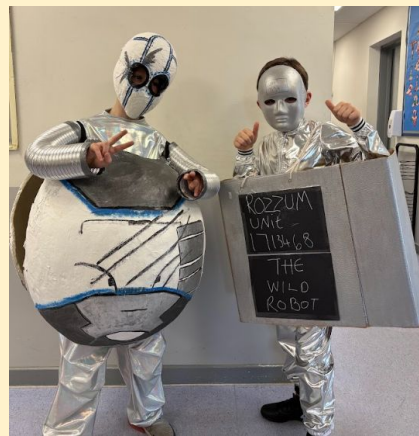
4 Apple have had an amazing Book Week including taking part in a musical extravaganza and a mystery whodunit workshop with Gareth P Jones. They also enjoyed dressing up as their favourite book characters and celebrating World Book Day. The creativity and imagination blew Mr McCann away!



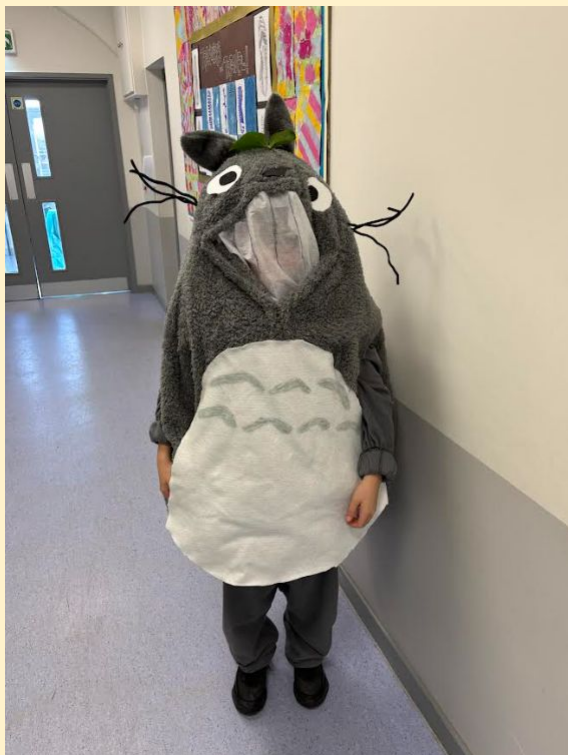
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4 Cherry have thoroughly enjoyed all the author assemblies and workshops, and Miss Reddington was overwhelmed with how creative and imaginative all the costumes were!



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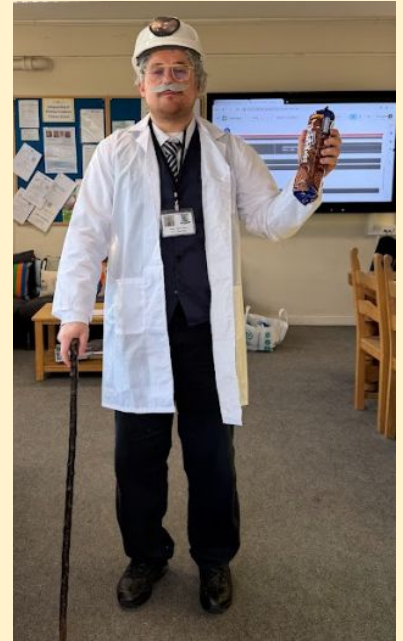


6 Chestnut have also loved every aspect of Book Week! They enjoyed assemblies with a number of authors and were lucky to take part in an author workshop with Sharna Jackson on Thursday where we created our own murder mystery!



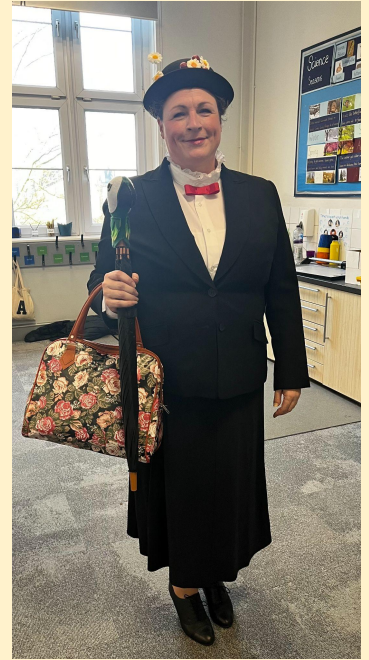
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Stars of the Week



These children have consistently demonstrated our exemplary learning behaviour this week

Class	Pupil
Mint	All of Nursery Mint
Dandelion	Romy
Buttercup	Romy PS
Thyme	Evie
Sage	Margot
Thistle	Shaylan and Lara
Honeysuckle	Esme
Hawthorn	Daniel
Bramble	All of 3 Bramble
Apple	All of 4 Apple
Cherry	Cario
Birch	Chloe
Ash	Lila
Oak	Clara
Chestnut	Oscar

LifeFull Awards - Children showing the value resilience by choosing a book that feels a little challenging



Pasha 5 Ash
Scarlet 2 Honeysuckle
Zakai 2 Honeysuckle
Theo 4 Apple



PE Stars of the Week

KS1 Ida
KS2 Zebadee



Spanish Stars of the Week:

Emil 5B
Manu 4A





PE News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Mr Chantler has had his operation and on the mend. We all send him our best wishes.

Next week, on **Wednesday 11th March**, there will be a **football tournament**. A letter will have gone home with your child if they are invited to attend.

We are very grateful that a **Year 6 parent, Mr B**, has kindly offered to take the boys, along with a member of school staff.

We look forward to hearing how the match goes!



Music News

Upcoming musical events:

17/3, 10am- Mr Davies' drummers (selected pupils)

17/3, 11:30am- Ms Daphne's 'cellos (selected pupils)

19/3, 2:30pm - Mr Worledge's guitarists (selected pupils)

24/3, 9am - Danny's Ga Dangbe drumming: all of year 2&3

28/4, 2:30pm - Krisztina's violin concert, featuring all of year 1

Nb. Ms Kang's violin concert has been postponed- new date tbc

Head Boy and Head Girl Report:

Happy Book Week everybody!

This week we had a fantastic time celebrating books across the school. It was wonderful to see everyone enjoying reading, sharing their favourite stories, and dressing up as amazing book characters. The classrooms were full of excitement as we explored new books and authors together.

Reading helps us learn new things, grow our imaginations, and discover different worlds. We hope Book Week has inspired everyone to keep reading every day. We feel very privileged to have met so many authors this week

A big thank you to all the teachers who made this week so special – with an especially big shout-out to Mr McCann. We can't wait to see what books you discover next!

Jess and Vishan



What is happening around the world



Every year on March 8th, people around the world celebrate **International Women's Day** to recognise the achievements of women and girls and to think about fairness and equality. In some countries, children give **flowers, cards, or small gifts** to the important women in their lives, like mothers, grandmothers, teachers, and friends. Schools and communities often hold **special events, assemblies, parades, or performances** to celebrate women's contributions in history, science, art, sports, and everyday life. The day is also a reminder that girls and boys should have **equal chances to learn, work, and follow their dreams**. It's a time to **say thank you, show respect, and celebrate all the amazing things women do** every day, everywhere in the world.

Fun Facts About International Women's Day

- **When it started:** International Women's Day began over **100 years ago** to celebrate women's achievements and fight for equality.
- **Different countries, different celebrations:**
 - In **Italy**, children give flowers to mothers and grandmothers.
 - In **Russia**, it's a public holiday and women get flowers, gifts, and special attention at work and school.
 - In **China**, women sometimes get a **half-day off work** to celebrate.
- **Colours and symbols:** The colour **purple** is often used to represent women's equality, and **flowers like mimosa** are popular in some countries.
- **Famous women celebrated:** Schools often talk about women from history, like scientists, athletes, writers, and leaders who have made the world a better place.
- **For children:** You can celebrate by **saying thank you, making a card, or learning about inspiring women** from around the world.



Important dates for your diary:



- WC 9.3.26 Y5 Cycle Training
- Monday 9th March - Y4 singing trip to St Thomas's School
- Thursday 12th March- Nursery trip to Kentish Town farm
- Friday 13th March- 1.30pm-3.30pm Y6 Mother's Day Sale
- Monday 16th March- Y5 Science Museum trip
- Thursday 19th March-Y1 Zoo trip
- Friday 20th March- INSET day- school closed
- Friday 27th March 10am Easter church service St Mark's
- Friday 27th March 1.30pm Finish for Easter
- Monday 13th April- Pupils return to school



Class assemblies

All assemblies take place at 10:00am in the main hall

Friday 13th March - 2 Honeysuckle

Friday 24th April - 1 Thyme

Friday 1st May - Reception Buttercup

Friday 15th May - Reception Dandelion

Friday 12th June - Nursery



Parent-teacher-pupil meetings

Each term, parents have the opportunity to meet with their child's class teacher to discuss their child's progress at school, including their strengths, areas for development, and how best parents can support their learning at home.

Over the coming weeks staff will carry out assessments and will be looking at how each child is progressing and what their next steps for learning should be. These will be moderated and agreed during our inset day on the 20th March. We will be able to share these next steps with parents at our parent consultation meeting. As this half-term is very short, our parent consultation meetings will take place **after the Easter holidays**, in the week commencing **20th April**. **A link to book your appointment will be sent to you before the Easter break.**

Reminder: Instead of sending reports throughout the year, we will provide a written report in the autumn term and at the end of the academic year in July. This report will include attainment grades and next steps for learning.

After receiving the end of year report in the summer term, there will be an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss it if you wish. This meeting will be optional.

We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you to support your child's learning and development.

Reminders- Smart watches

Please be aware that, due to safeguarding reasons, smart watches are not allowed in class. These are watches that have access to phone or camera functions. This includes Fitbits that have access to a messaging service where children can send and receive messages. If your child wears one to school, their teacher will keep it safe until the end of the day and return it to them. Thank you for your understanding.





MOTHER'S DAY SALE

FRIDAY 13TH MARCH

1PM

FOR ALL CHILDREN

NURSERY - Y6

Children to bring in a maximum

of £5 in coins

to buy a gift of their choice

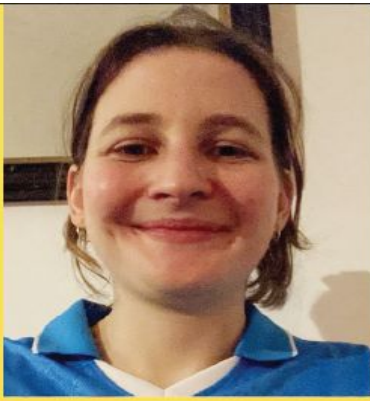
PSA Cake Sale Dates:

19th and 26th March - Year 6

23rd and 24th April - Year 4

14th and 15th May - Year 5





Hi I'm Arianna!

Are you due to give birth?

I am looking for parent(s) due to have a baby between now–April 2026 to complete an infant observation as part of my psychotherapy training.

I'm Arianna, a Trainee Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist at Terapia - (UKCP & Middlesex University accredited).

I'm seeking to observe an infant for one hour a week over 18 months to better understand early development and attachment.

- Full Enhanced DBS Certificate
- Letter from Terapia training school confirming the purpose of this study
- I hope to provide a kind, curious and non-judgemental presence
- Parents have reported it to be a valuable experience

I'd be incredibly grateful to be granted this learning opportunity!

If you're interested and would like more information, I'd love to hear from you:

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Wednesday 8 April

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Thursday 2 April and Friday 10 April

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Wednesday 8 / Thursday 9 April

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