



Dear Parents and Carers,

Leadership have now completed Pupil Progress Review meetings with all teachers. These meetings have been incredibly helpful in identifying and planning interventions and strategies to support pupils in class, informed by teacher feedback. Leadership are now working hard to implement the strategies discussed. Alongside this, SEN tracking meetings have also taken place to plan appropriate support for pupils.

We are also delighted to confirm that the residentials will be going ahead as planned. The only slight change is due to updated KCSIE guidance, meaning that Year 2 will be having a movie night rather than a sleepover.

Please see the dates below:

- Y2 Movie Night: 25th June
- Y3 Celtic Harmony: 16th–18th June
- Y4 Gordon Brown: 14th–18th June
- Y5 Ironbridge: 26th–30th April
- Y6 Adventure Plus: 21st–25th June

From next week, I will be starting my maternity leave, and Miss Andrews will be taking over the role of Head of School. We have had a thorough handover, and I know Miss Andrews is excited to get to know you all and work with you more closely.

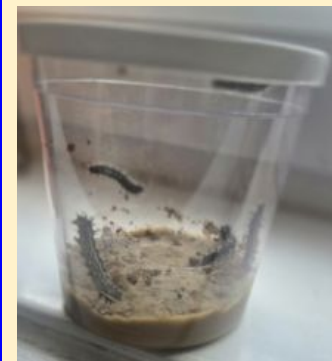
Thank you all for your continued support and kindness. It has been a real pleasure getting to know you all, and I look forward to seeing you when I return.

Finally, we'd like to wish everyone celebrating black history month a wonderful month. We hope you enjoy the time engaging in cultural, educational and community events. We'd love to hear about any from you or the pupils. Have a lovely weekend. Best wishes,
Miss Fautley

Learning in action

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

Science has been Year 2's focus this week and what a wonderful week it's been! We released our butterflies and loved watching them flutter freely into the world. We also designed and created our own habitats to support our science learning—and we think you'll agree, they look fantastic!



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Our OPAL banner has arrived and is now proudly displayed on our school fence, celebrating our wonderful achievement! Our Platinum Award places us in the top 2% of UK primary schools for the quality of our play offer — a fantastic achievement that we are incredibly proud of! A huge thank you to our wonderful PSA for funding the banner and for their continued support in helping us achieve this award. And, of course, a very big thank you to all of our parents and families for your fantastic donations. They make such a difference to the opportunities we can provide for our children. Please keep the donations coming — every little bit helps us make playtime even more exciting!



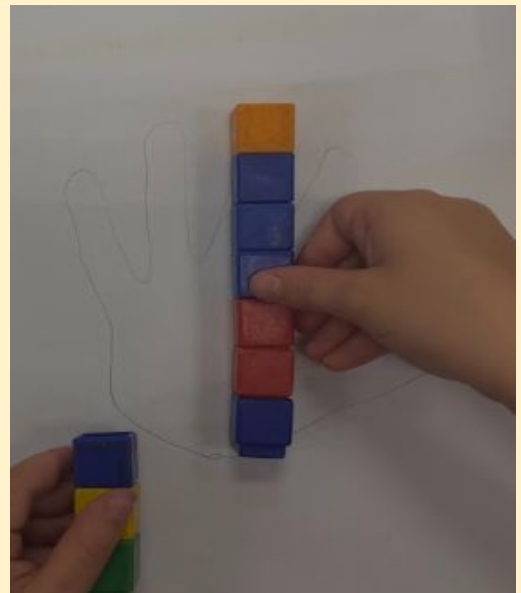
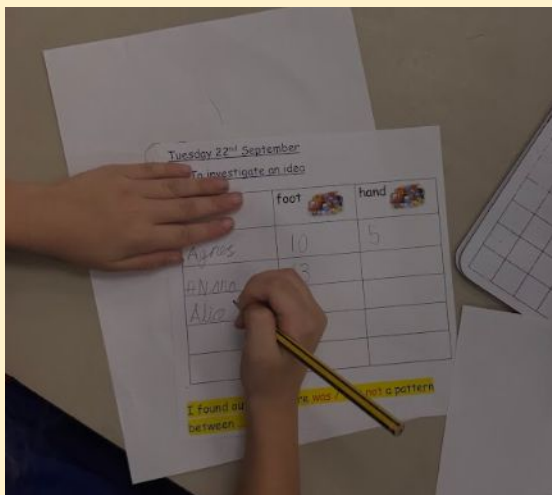
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This week in Art, 1 Thyme have enjoyed learning about primary colours and mixing them together to create secondary colours. They have had lots of fun experimenting with different colour combinations and seeing what colours they can make.



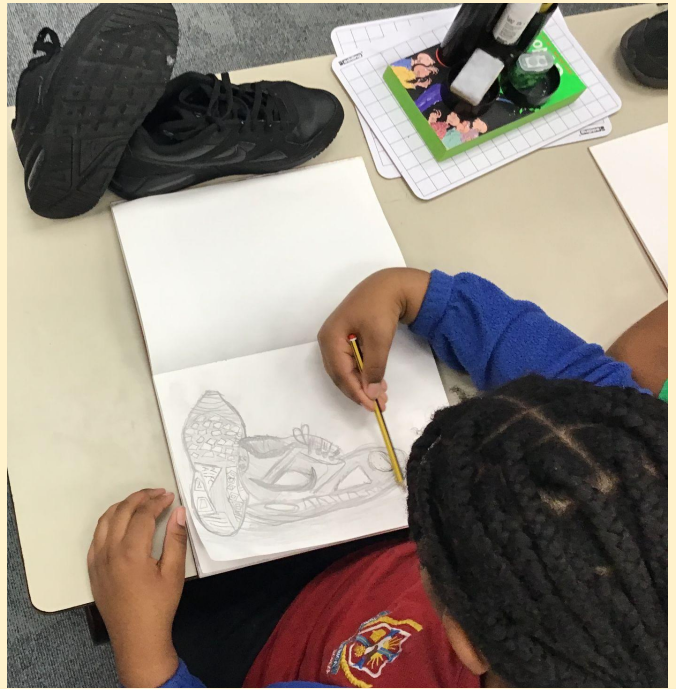
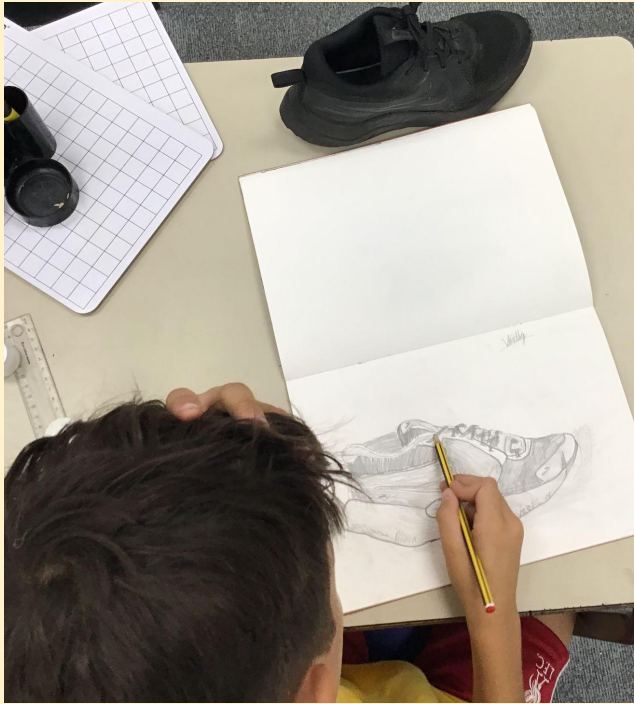
3 Hawthorn had great time in science investigating whether people with bigger hands always have bigger feet!



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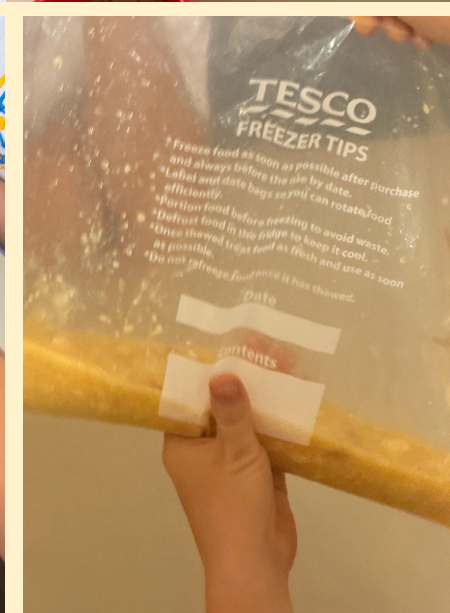
6 Oak have enjoyed observational pencil sketching where they applied skills such as blending shadows, using rough and smooth lines for texture, and getting the proportions just right to sketch a pair of trainers.



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Year 4 took part in a science lesson where they replicated the digestive system working using everyday items. Despite it being a messy process and some children finding it gross, the children were able to explain the process from start to finish. Well done Year 4!



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Nursery's book of the week has been We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen. On Wednesday the children put on their plastic trousers and wellie boots and we went on a bear hunt on the embankment. The children splashed in a river, stumbled over some sticks, squelched in mud and went through a bubble snow storm before finding bear in his cave. This meant that they were all able to retell the story on paper using collage when they got back. We have also cooked banana bread and learnt the '5 little speckled frogs' song.





PE News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sports dates coming up:

Y5/6 Netball 8/10/26

Y5/6 Cross Country 23/10/26

Boys Football Team W/C 2/11/26

Girls Football Team W/B 16/11/26

Inclusive Boccia 26/11/26

We are excited to announce that the captains of our school football team are **Riley from 6 Birch** and **Layla from 6 Chestnut**.

We are very proud of them and look forward to the upcoming football matches. We wish the team the very best of luck for the season!

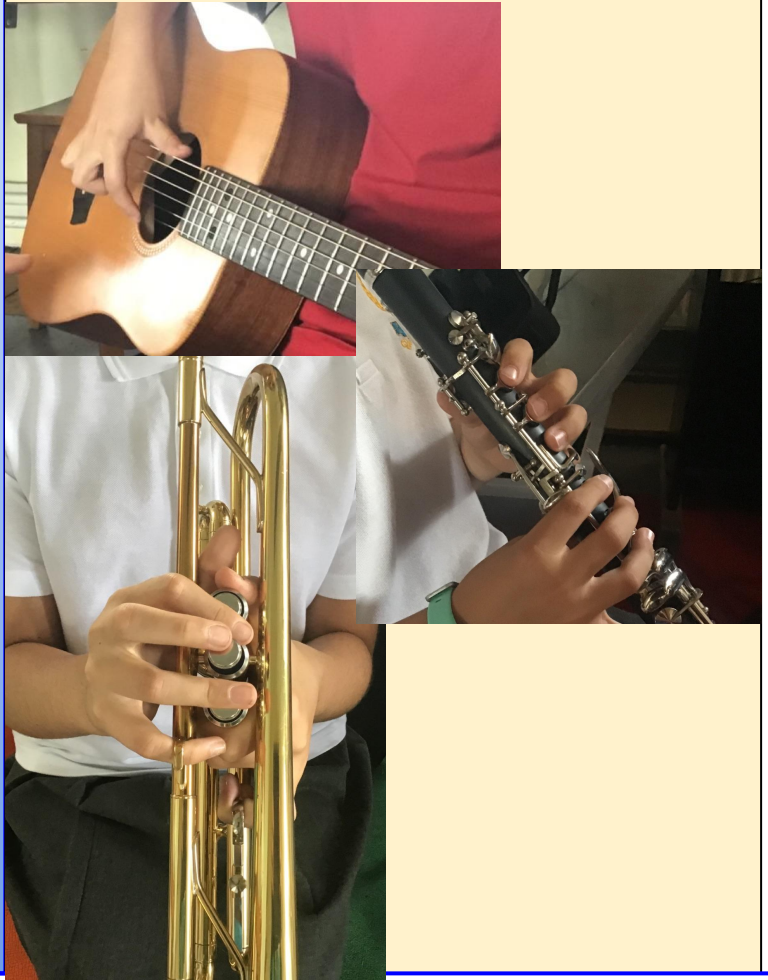


Good luck, Riley, Layla and the whole team!



Music

Happy practising!



Head Boy and Head Girl Report:

We are delighted to announce that our head girl this year is Cosima and our head boy is Gabriel Neves. The shortlisted candidates presented speeches to the children on Monday and then all KS2 children voted for their preferred candidate.

Positions for tour guides, librarians, school council, house captains and deputies were also announced in a special assembly this morning.



Weekly Awards



Learning Leaders
Children who have displayed an exceptional attitude in their learning

Class	Pupil
Mint	Pola
Dandelion	Electra
Buttercup	Thea
Thyme	Rafi
Sage	Sienna
Thistle	Sasha
Honeysuckle	Penelope
Hawthorn	Teddy
Bramble	Ayla
Apple	Victoria
Cherry	Affie
Ash	Dennis
Birch	Princess
Oak	Taliyah
Chestnut	Lila

Lifefull Awards
Children who have shown our school value of this half term of *kindness*

Class	Pupil
Mint	Daphne
Dandelion	Cleo
Buttercup	Margot
Thyme	Mia
Sage	Frank and Finley
Thistle	Margot
Honeysuckle	Woody
Hawthorn	Jossy
Bramble	Uma Hazel
Apple	Lucas
Cherry	Arya
Ash	Ostara
Birch	All of 5 Birch
Oak	Gabriel N
Chestnut	Pasha

Notices and reminders

Harvest



As we prepare to celebrate Harvest Festival on Wednesday 30th September, we are delighted to share that this year, all donations will go to The Brent Food Bank.

Brent Food Bank does incredible work supporting local families in crisis and your generosity can make a real difference.

If you are able to, please send your child in with a donation of tinned / canned food (e.g. beans, soups, vegetables, fruit, tuna, tomatoes) from now until Friday 2nd October. All donations, no matter how small, are hugely appreciated.

Thank you for helping us teach our children the importance of kindness, sharing and caring for others in our community. All the best, Mr Dukker

Clubs

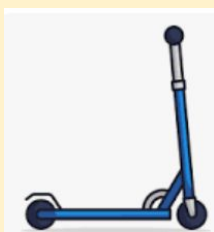
Clubs have now started. Please be aware that you have until 5th October to cancel your child's club place. After this date, any available places will be offered to children on the waiting list.

Please also ensure that payment for clubs is up to date.

Scooter, buggies and bikes

Please be aware of the locations of the following items:

- EYFS/KS1 bikes: School office
- Buggies: Bike shed
- KS2 bikes (Years 2–6): KS2 playground
- If in Kenzalia - bikes/scooters at school office



Office Communication

Please ensure that you include your child's full name and class when corresponding with the school office, particularly when making any hometime arrangements.

For any requested absence, proof of the appointment is required. Please email this to the school office or show it to Ms Amponsah when requesting the absence.

Important dates coming up:

30.9.26 Harvest Service St Martin's 10am Y1-6

WC 5.10.26 Book fair 3.30pm

5.10.26 Y3 Gunnersbury Trip

8.10.26 Y5 Netball tournament 9am-3pm

9.10.26 Reception Phonics Presentation 9am school hall



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

Class	Date
6 Oak	16.10.26
5 Birch	23.10.26
6 Chestnut	13.11.26
5 Ash	20.11.26
4 Apple	15.1.27
3 Hawthorn	22.1.27
4 Cherry	29.1.27
3 Bramble	5.2.27
2 Honeysuckle	12.3.27
1 Sage	19.3.27
2 Thistle	23.4.27
1 Thyme	30.4.27
Reception Buttercup	14.5.27
Reception Dandelion	21.5.27
Nursery Mint	16.6.27



**KEY DATES FOR PARENTS
AUTUMN TERM**

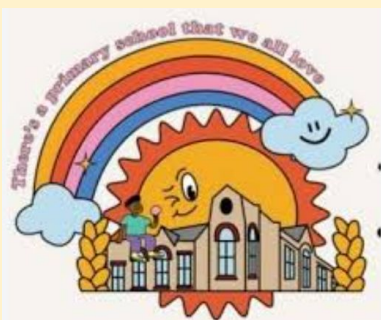


Our Christian Value this half term is....Kindness

Date	Event
14.9.26	All Reception children start full time
14.9.26	Y5 Meet the teacher meeting 3.45pm
15.9.26	Y6 Meet the teacher meeting 3.45pm
18.9.26	Y4 Romans Trip
18.9.26	Secondary Transfer Meeting 9am school hall
25.9.26	EYFS Curriculum Information Meeting online 9.15am
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13.10.26	Y5 trip to National Army Museum
14.10.26	Vache Baroque Concert to Y5
WC 19.10.26	Engineering Week
20.10.26	Y6 Trip to Imperial War Museum
22.10.26	Perform Drama company visiting Reception-Y3
22.10.26	Year 2 Trip to Hyde Park
23.10.26	Flu Vaccination
WC 26.10.26	Half term holiday
2.11.26	Staff Inset Day- children not in school
10.11.26	New EYFS parent presentation 9.30am school hall
23.11.26	Staff Inset Day- children not in school
10.12.26	Nativity 2 Honeysuckle lead roles 10-11am
11.12.26	Nativity 2 Thistle lead roles 10-11am
16.12.26	Christmas lunch
18.12.26	Christmas Church Service St Martin's 10-11am
School finishes Friday 18th December at 1.30pm Children return on Monday 4th January 2027	

PSA Cake Sale Dates 3.15pm in KS2 playground:

Nursery	15.10.26 and 16.10.26
Reception	19.11.26 and 20.11.26
Year 1	14.1.27 and 15.1.27
Year 2	4.2.27 and 5.2.27
Year 6	11.3.27 and 12.3.27
Year 3	22.4.27 and 23.4.27
Year 4	6.5.27 and 7.6.27
Year 5	10.6.27 and 11.6.27



**2026 Reading Challenge for August
and September**



September

Send a letter or a
drawing to your
favourite author or
illustrator ☐



We need you this year!

Would you be interested in becoming a
reading volunteer at our school?

Do you think you could help support
children who need some extra help
reading?

If this interests you or someone you know, please
email: smccann@lifefull.org

(No teaching experience required)