



11th July 2025

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Headteacher's insight

As we approach the final few weeks of term, the school is full of energy, excitement, and plenty of sunshine!

Our Year 6 pupils have been ramping up their rehearsals this week in preparation for their end-of-year performance next week. We can't wait to see all their hard work and creativity come to life on stage – it's sure to be a real highlight of the term.

We were also delighted to welcome Catrin and Sharon into school this week to lead a whole-school assembly on transition, helping children reflect on changes and new beginnings. They also ran a fantastic session specifically with Year 6, supporting them as they prepare to take that big next step to secondary school.

It's been a week full of adventures, too! Vulcans class enjoyed their Summer term trip on Monday, with lots of fun had by all – although we're not entirely sure whether the learning or the ice creams were the biggest hit of the day! Meanwhile, Nursery had a brilliant time on their Park and Ride adventure, which sparked so much excitement and curiosity.

Next week also sees our final sporting event of the year, and we're looking forward to rounding off a fantastic year of physical activity, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

It's certainly a busy time of year, but it's also an important one – a chance to celebrate all that has been achieved, and to start preparing for what lies ahead in September.

With a hot weekend forecast, please do enjoy the sunshine safely and take some time to rest and recharge before the last full week of the year.

Mrs Thompson

Mrs Emily Thompson
Executive Headteacher





News from our classrooms

Spitfires class

What a busy and exciting week it's been in Nursery!

The children loved their bus trip—there was so much joy and excitement on their faces as they set off and returned. A huge thank you to all our wonderful parent volunteers who helped make these outings possible. Your support means so much to us.

This week, our focus book has been **The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch**. Some children really enjoyed getting hands-on by making and, of course, eating their own sandwiches! We also explored the story through creative activities, including drawing and building our own lighthouses in the provision. The story sparked some great discussions, especially about how we would feel if someone took our things—just like the pesky seagulls did to Mr. Grinling!





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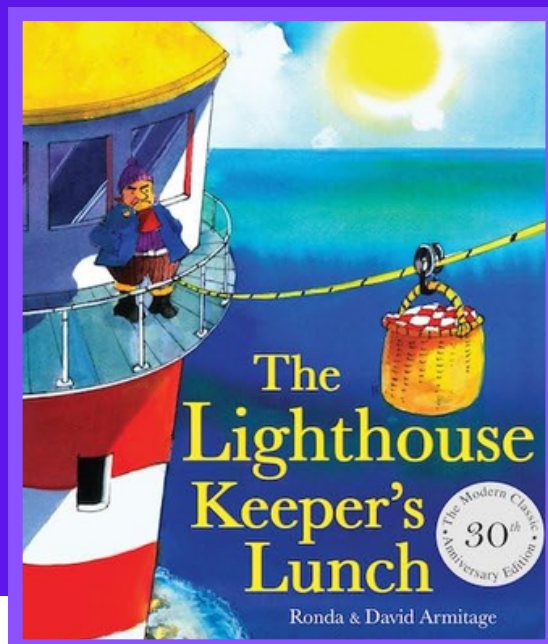
As we near the end of the year, we're also getting ready for our **Graduation Ceremony**, which will take place on **Monday 21st July at 2:30pm**. We hope our families can join us to celebrate the incredible journeys your children have been on during their time in Nursery.

Reminder:

For those children moving on to Reception at Marleigh or Fen Ditton, please ensure you return your admission forms, information sheets, and All About Me books as soon as possible. These are important for supporting your child's transition and helping their new teachers get to know them better.

This is our final Nursery newsletter post of the academic year, and we want to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you to all our families. The relationships we've built with you are so valuable and have played a big part in supporting your child's learning and development.

We wish you all a happy, safe, and restful summer break—and to those children moving on to their next adventure, we send you off with all our best wishes. You'll always be part of our Nursery family.





Hurricanes Class



This week, our children have truly let their creativity shine!

Our young authors have been hard at work this week creating their very own island storybooks! Inspired by our class book **Grandad's Island**. The children have planned, wrote, and illustrated their very own mini story books. Each one is full of imagination – from castaway adventures and hidden treasure to talking animals and secret caves! They took great care in designing their books, thinking about characters, setting, and plot, and designing beautiful front covers and illustrations to bring their stories to life. The children can't wait to finish their stories to share and read to the other classes.

In our outdoor **Science** session, the children collected natural materials from our **Forest Schools** area such as leaves, twigs and bark to design and build imaginative homes for small animals. It was wonderful to see their thoughtful designs and the stories they created around their mini shelters.





Blackbirds Class

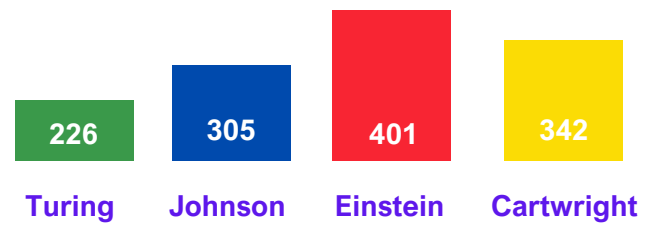
Blackbirds have been writing, presenting and filming this week. As part of our **Working Scientifically** curriculum they presented their findings from a recent Science investigation.

They were expected to explain the purpose of the enquiry, summarise the results and draw conclusions. They were also asked to comment on the reliability of their results and whether further investigation was necessary. Their performances were excellent and showed a good depth of understanding. Great Job Blackbirds!





House Point Totals



Key upcoming dates

Tuesday, 15 th July	<u>Year 6 American Football Sports Morning - (PE kit)</u>
Thursday, 17 th July	<u>Year 6 Production 2:30 and 5:30 to visitors</u>
Monday 21 st July	<u>Nursery graduation 2:30pm & House Activity Day.</u>
Tuesday, 22 nd July	<u>Year 6 Leavers Assembly and end of year disco after school</u>
Wednesday, 23 rd July	<u>Last day of school!</u>

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Medina - Comets





Term Dates 2024/25

Spring term

Monday 6th January to Friday 4th April

Half term: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February

Monday 24th February to Friday 4th April

Easter holidays: Monday 7 April – Friday 18th April

Summer term

Tuesday 22nd April to Wednesday 23rd July

Back to school Wednesday 23rd April

Bank holiday Monday 5th May (school closed)

Half term: Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May

Back to school Tuesday 3rd June

Last day of term 23rd July

INSET Days (closed to pupils)

Tuesday 22 April

Monday 2 June

Term Dates 2025/26

Autumn term 2025

Thursday 4th September to Friday 24th October

Half term: Monday 27th October – 3rd November

Tuesday 4th November to Friday 19th December

Christmas holidays: Monday 22nd December to Tuesday 6th Jan

Spring term 2026

Tuesday 6th January to Friday 13th February

Half Term: Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February

Monday 23rd February to Friday 27th March

Easter Holidays: Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April

Summer term 2026

Monday 13th April to Friday 22nd May

Half Term: Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May

Monday 1st June to Friday 17th July

Summer Holiday: Monday 20th July onwards

INSET Days (closed to pupils)

Monday 1st September

Tuesday 2nd September

Wednesday 3rd September

Monday 3rd November

Monday 5th January

Monday 20th July



Marleigh Primary Academy DISCO!

Tuesday 22nd July

Nursery - Year 1: 3.30 - 4.45 pm
Year 2-6: 5.00 - 6.15 pm

Tickets: £5

Includes drink, snacks and glow sticks!

Join us for a **NEON** themed disco complete with lights, games and bubbles!

Scan to
buy your
tickets
today!



<https://buytickets.at/marleighprimaryptfa/1728810>

Please speak to the school office if you need a helping hand with ticket costs.



Helping your children fly



Elevating Expectations

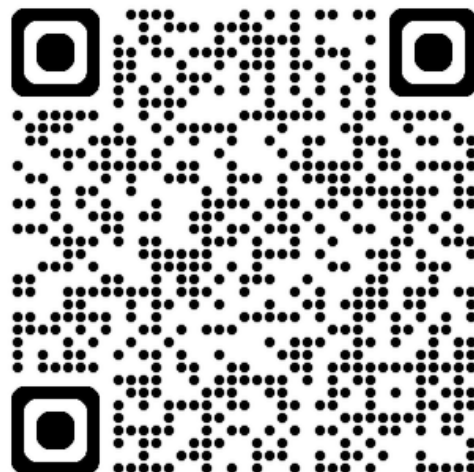
Looking for space to hire?

We have **modern space available** for **regular hire** outside of school hours. Email us at enquiries@marleighprimary.org, complete our form online using the QR code below or visit: <https://marleighprimary.org/hall-room-and-pitch-hire/>

- Small hall
- Large hall
- Meeting rooms
- Outdoor pitches

01223 618 081

- ✓ Free WiFi & Presentation Tools
- ✓ Great Location next to Park & Ride



Pop-Up Adventures



Join us this August for some family fun, at a venue near you!



SPLAT!

The Atrium Theatre, Chesterton
Community College
Mon 4 & Tue 5 August 2025
Tickets £12
3-6 years old



HOW A JELLYFISH SAVED THE WORLD

The Atrium Theatre, Chesterton
Community College
Thu 7 & Sat 9 August 2025
Tickets £14
4-11 years old



THE IMAGINATION TRAIN

Arbury Community Centre
Wed 13 August 2025
Tickets £11 for 1 adult & 1 child
0 - 3 years old



MINATURE TRAVELLING CIRCUS

Arbury Community Centre
Thu 14 August 2025
Tickets £11 for 1 adult & 1 child
3-6 years old



PUPPETS IN PERIL

Arbury Community Centre
Fri 15 August 2025
Tickets £11 for 1 adult & 1 child
7 - 9 years old



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