



22 May 2026

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Headteacher's insight

As we reach the end of another busy half term, I would like to thank our children, staff and families for their continued hard work, support and commitment to our school community. The half term break provides a valuable opportunity for everyone to rest and recharge, and we look forward to welcoming all children back to school on **Monday 1st June**.

Whilst we are all looking forward to a well-earned break, there is also much to be excited about next half term. Our calendar is packed with opportunities for children to learn, achieve and create lasting memories, including Sports Day, a range of sporting fixtures and events, educational visits, performances, enrichment experiences and many exciting learning opportunities. Some year groups will also be taking part in assessments, providing children with the opportunity to showcase the excellent progress they have made this year and demonstrate the strong foundations and fundamental skills they have worked so hard to develop.

A reminder that on **11th June** we will be holding our **Speedkick Sponsored Event**, organised by **Premier Education**. This promises to be a fun and energetic event for all involved whilst helping us raise valuable funds for the school. A number of parents have asked whether sponsorship donations can be made electronically; however, on this occasion, donations will need to be made in **cash only**. All proceeds raised will be invested directly into sports equipment and our current fundraising campaigns, helping to further enhance the opportunities and experiences available to our children.

Have you responded to the form for your child to attend the whole school trip on Tuesday 14th July. If not, [you can do so here](#). We are busy planning an exciting day all together.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break and enjoy spending time together as a family. We look forward to seeing everyone refreshed and ready for an exciting final half term of the academic year.

Mrs Thompson

Mrs Emily Thompson
Executive Headteacher





Marleigh's Science Fair is back

We launched this year's science fair to the children in assembly on Wednesday this week. It has been fantastic to hear the ideas about projects already being discussed. Half term is a great time to get a head start on your science fair projects.

Key Dates

From now, children can be working on their ideas and projects. Bring in your finished projects on Friday 3rd June for in-school presentations. The best projects will then be chosen for our Science Fair Showcase on Friday 10th July.

All participants will receive a certificate, with awards for creativity, scientific thinking, and presentation. Families – we'd love your support in helping children explore their ideas at home. We can't wait to see Marleigh's young scientists shine!

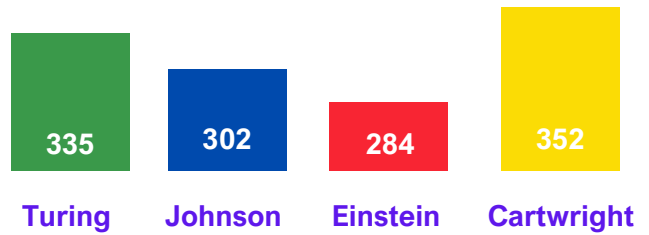
Happy Eid-al-Adha

We wish all our families celebrating Eid-al-Adha next week a wonderful time spent with friends and family.

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House Point Totals



Fond farewell

We would like to share that **Mrs Hearn** will be starting the transition to a new role at a local school from 1st June. We would like to thank her for her hard work and commitment as one of our Executive Deputy Headteachers, and we wish her every success in her new post.

Don't forget to order your class photo in time for free delivery!



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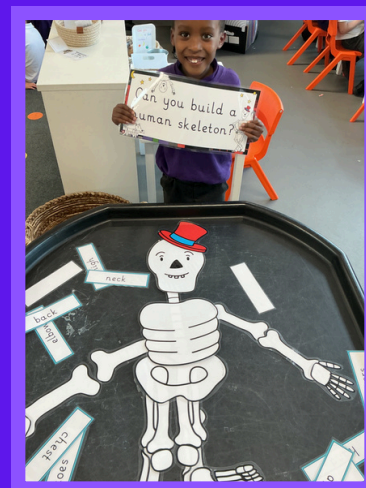
Butterflies Class

This week in Reception we have been very busy with lots of exciting learning opportunities!

In Literacy, we have been learning about our bodies and practising how to label different body parts. The children enjoyed identifying and talking about features such as elbows, knees, ankles and shoulders, and we were very impressed with their growing vocabulary and confidence.

During our outdoor learning sessions, the children worked together to build shelters for our special visitor, Eco-Eric. The children showed fantastic teamwork, problem-solving and creativity as they used natural materials and construction skills to design and make different types of shelters. We discussed what makes a good shelter and how we can protect ourselves from different types of weather.

In Art, the children explored working with clay and created wonderful 3D animal sculptures. They practised shaping, rolling, pinching and joining the clay to make a variety of animals, showing great imagination and creativity. This activity also helped to develop their fine motor skills and confidence when working with different materials. We are very proud of all the children for their enthusiasm, creativity and excellent teamwork this week!



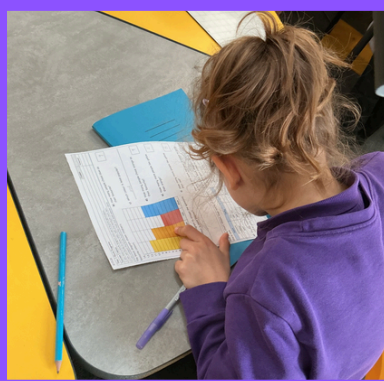


Dragonflies Class



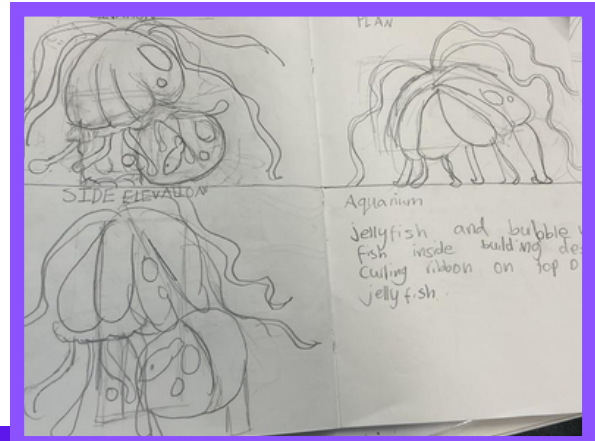
This week in Dragonflies we've had a lovely final week before half term. The children finished making their clay tiles, and it has been great to see their careful designs come together. We also enjoyed creating our space-themed stop motion animations in computing, with lots of imaginative ideas. Maths has focused on graphs and tables, helping us to read and understand information in different ways.

Our English work has been all about octopuses, as we wrote non-chronological reports using the facts we have learned. We also had a great sports event with Mr Parker, which was a fun way to finish the half term. Well done Dragonflies for a busy and brilliant half term — we hope you all have a restful break.





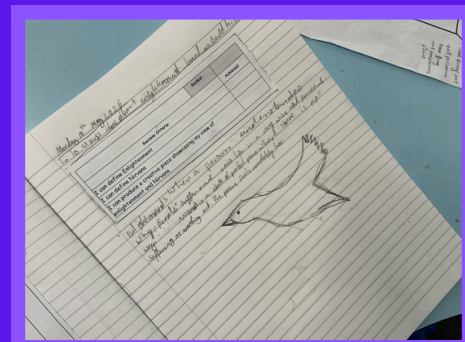
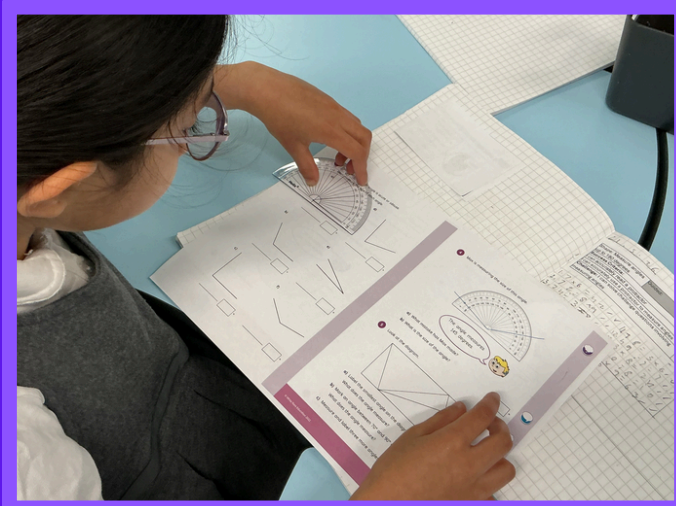
Owls Class



Owls are finishing Summer term 1 with success and excitement!

In RE, we learnt about enlightenment and nirvana and explored what peace means to different people. We created our own thoughtful representations of peace, inspired by ideas such as birds, meditation, and waves. We also had some really mature discussions about how peace can sometimes be found when we are surrounded by lots of people, but also when we are alone and enjoying quiet moments to reflect. Everyone shared their ideas respectfully and showed great understanding of different perspectives.

In Maths, we have started our exciting new topic on shapes and angles. We used protractors to measure and draw angles — for some of us, this was our very first experience using one! At first, it was quite challenging to line the protractor up accurately and read the correct scale, but we persevered and are already becoming much more confident.



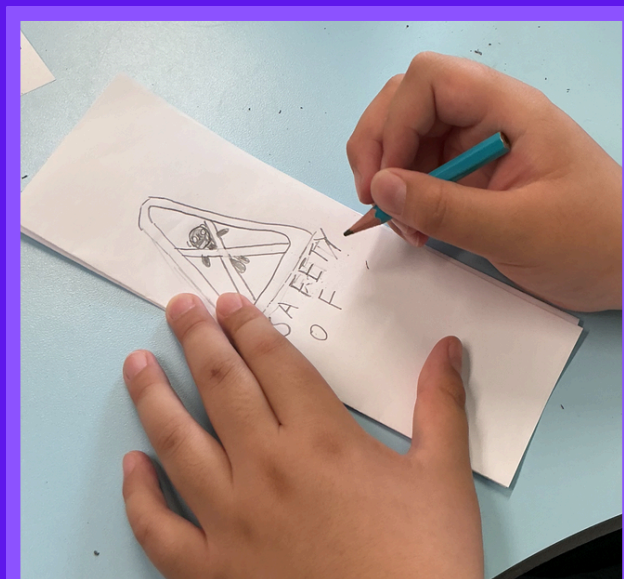
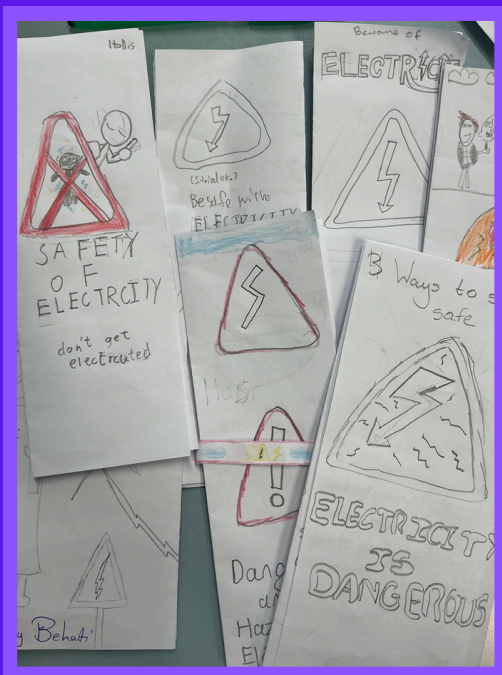


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We finished our Electricity topic by learning about electrical hazards and the precautions we can take to stay safe. We identified potential dangers in places such as kitchens and bathrooms and discussed why electricity and water can be such a dangerous combination. We then worked hard to create informative posters and brochures to help spread awareness about electrical safety. The children showed great creativity and responsibility in presenting important safety messages clearly.

In Art, we used multilink blocks to help us explore architectural drawing by creating front elevations, side elevations, and plans of buildings. We carefully looked at shapes and structures before turning our creative ideas into detailed drawings. There were some fantastic imaginative designs, including penguin conservation centres, art galleries.

Well done, Owls, for all your hard work and enthusiasm this half term. We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable break and come back refreshed and ready for Summer 2!



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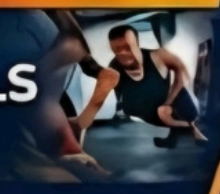
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Key dates 2025-26

May

Wed, 20 May Sports event for Years 1 and 2

Thurs, 21 May Class photos

Mon 25 - Friday 29 May HALF TERM

June

Wed, 3 Jun Sports event EYFS

Squirrels class assembly, parents & carers invited from 09:50

Mon 8 - Fri 12 Jun Year 1 Phonics Screening Test

Thurs, 4 Jun Year 6 Residential briefing children and parents/carers, 2pm

Wed, 10 Jun Sports Alliance Year 3 and 4 Cricket fixture - selected teams

Dragonflies class assembly, parents & carers invited 09:50

Thurs, 11 Jun Year 6 Bottisham Cup Sports event - all children

Wed, 17 Jun Year 5 Sport Event afternoon - all children

Ladybirds class assembly, parents & carers invited 09:50

Year 6 Residential Trip (returning Friday 19 June)

Fri, 19 Jun Fathers Day Gift Shop

Tues, 23 Jun Caterpillars and Butterflies Teddy Bears Picnic.
Bring a teddy!

Wed, 24 Jun ALPSA Tournament Golf Years 5 and 6 (selected children)

Butterflies class assembly, parents & carers invited 09:50

July

Wed, 1 Jul	Sports event Year 6 <u>Butterflies trip to South Angle Farm</u>
Fri, 3 Jul	Science Fair project presentations in school Summer Fayre - after school
Wed, 8 Jul	ALPSA Festival Multi Skills Year 1 & 2 (selected children)
Thur, 9 Jul	Sports day (morning)
Fri, 10 Jul	Year 6 Play in a Week performance 9am Science Fair event - 3:15-3:45pm - parents and carers invited to attend
Tues, 14 Jul	<u>Whole school trip to Milton Country Park</u>
Weds, 15 Jul	ALPSA Tournament Athletics Year 3 & 4 (selected children)
Thurs, 16 Jul	Year 6 Leavers assembly 9:15 - parents and carers invited to attend End of Year Disco - after school
Fri, 17 Jul	Nursery Graduation Ceremony 2:30pm Last day of the academic year

Autumn term 2026/27 begins 4 September 2026



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Term Dates 2025/26

[For key upcoming dates see our website](#)

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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