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Right start : Bright Future **Friday 23rd October 2026**

Headteacher Weekly Message

As we approach half term, I would like to thank you for your continued support and partnership. It has been lovely to welcome parents and carers to Parents' Evenings this week, sharing children's achievements and discussing their next steps. Working closely together helps us understand each child's needs and provide the encouragement and support they need to flourish.

Thank you, too, for completing our annual parent survey. Your feedback is valuable and will help us recognise what is working well and identify where we can improve. We appreciate you taking the time to share your views.

Ready for the colder weather

With the weather becoming colder and wetter, please ensure your child returns after half term with a warm, waterproof coat in **black or burgundy**. Children spend time outdoors throughout the year and need suitable clothing to stay comfortable.

Please also provide burgundy jogging bottoms for PE, so children can participate comfortably in cooler conditions. Remember to label coats, PE clothing and jumpers clearly with your child's name.

Make time for a shared book

Over half term, please continue to enjoy books together. A few relaxed minutes each day can fit around family activities: read aloud, take turns or talk about the pictures. Ask questions such as, "What do you think will happen next?" or "How do you think that character feels?"

Sharing stories in your home language is warmly encouraged. Your local library is also a useful place to discover something new without buying books.

A little conversation goes a long way

Everyday activities offer opportunities to develop vocabulary and conversation. While cooking, shopping or travelling, encourage your child to explain an idea, describe what they notice or talk through how something works.

Try asking, "What surprised you today?" or "Can you tell me more about that?" Give children time to think and finish their answers. These small conversations are a lovely way to connect as a family.

Gold Merit Awards

Congratulations to Dilpreet, Shaharyar, Yehen and Zayn (Y4)!

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Sleep and routines: helping children feel ready to learn

A good night's sleep supports children's physical health, learning and emotional wellbeing. NHS guidance recommends around **10–13 hours of sleep in 24 hours for children aged 3–5**, including naps, and **9–12 hours for children aged 6–12**. Individual needs vary. Research from University College London, involving more than 10,000 children, found that irregular bedtimes were associated with more emotional and behavioural difficulties. Children who moved to a regular bedtime also showed improvements in their behaviour. This supports the value of predictable routines, while recognising that sleep can be challenging for some families.

To help your child settle, try to:

- Keep bedtime and waking times broadly consistent, including during holidays.
- Build in a calm wind-down period, with washing, teeth brushing and a story.
- Switch off screens around an hour before bed.
- Make the bedroom quiet, comfortable and relaxing.

Take a family online safety check

Half term is a useful opportunity to review the games, apps and videos your child uses. Check privacy settings, parental controls and whether they can communicate with people they do not know.

Where possible, enjoy online activities together and keep devices in shared family spaces. Remind your child that they can always tell a trusted adult if something online makes them feel worried, confused or uncomfortable. Reassure them that asking for help is the right thing to do.

Important Dates

26.10.26 Half Term Holiday

02.11.26 Return to School

05.11.26 Diwali Lunch

11.11.26 Imperial War Museum YR6 Trip

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Nursery Weekly News Friday 23rd October 2026

What have we been up to this week?

We have had another busy week in the Nursery and it is amazing to see just how much the children have settled in during their first half term with us at Wellington! They are now so familiar with our routines and know where everything is in our learning environment, which really helps them to be independent learners. It is also wonderful to see some good friendships developing and the children are beginning to know the names of some of their classmates. When you talk with your child about the things they have been doing in the nursery, please encourage them to tell you who they have been playing with that day.

This week in Maths we have been exploring and comparing shapes. The children have been collecting and looking at objects, then talking about their size and the shapes they can see to support their learning. We have been building and creating with wooden blocks and Lego too. Some of the children have been showing us what amazing ideas they have when they create their own models!

In music, the children have enjoyed singing 'Five Little Ducks' this week.
They have been joining in with the actions and using their fingers to show how many ducks were left to go swimming each day! We also had a lot of fun making the quacking sounds for the mummy duck when she called her little ducks back!

As part of our Feelsville program, we have been exploring the emotion 'calm'.
The children have been sharing some things that make them feel calm and learning the sign for 'calm' which helps our non-speaking children to communicate. We have used paint to print the house where 'calm' lives in Feelsville and we have added this feeling to our nursery Feelsville display.

Finally, the children have been busy using Autumn colours to paint and print hedgehogs this week. The children have been very proud of their creations and we are going to display them in the nursery for everyone to enjoy.

Merits this week

A huge well done to…

Amara - for her super hedgehog printing.
Ahmed and Niall - for trying out new activities in the nursery.
Ehan - for talking about the shapes of the blocks and Lego in his models.
Maria - for always being helpful and enthusiastic learner.
Miriam - for being really brave and happy in the nursery this week.

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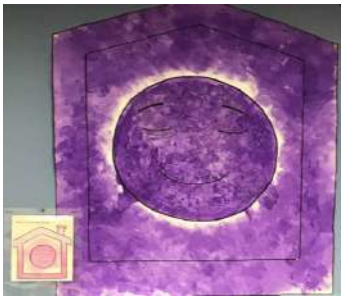
Photos from our week in the nursery

Comparing shapes and building using blocks and Lego in Maths.

Printing hedgehogs



Printing a 'calm' face

Reminders

Please send spare clothes and wipes in a bag to keep in the Nursery in case of any accidents. Do also label every item clearly to avoid lost items. Thank you!

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Reception Weekly News Friday 23rd October 2026

What have we been up to this week?

This week, we have started our new phonemes or sounds ‘e’, ‘u’ and ‘r’. We have made our own elephants, umbrellabirds and rockets to help us remember the new phonemes! We have started to use all the new sounds to read and write CVC words, e.g. pen, pet, run, red.

In Maths, we have continued to focus on 1, 2 and 3, specifically ‘one more’ and ‘one less’ than another number. We have sung songs like ‘3 Little Speckled Frogs’, seeing how many are left when we take away one and there is one less.

Finally, we have enjoyed reading ‘Mr Gumpy’s Outing’ and explored floating and sinking with different materials.

Merits

Oak Class

Zunairah– For talking about her feelings more and using the calming backpack.
Liliyane and Mayanshi– For being very creative at the message centre and art centre, making beautiful message and artwork.
Nicholas– For working really hard at home, forming his letters. Well done.
Evan– For using a louder voice when speaking to the class.
M’layka– For trying really hard to follow instructions and show active listening.

Birch Class

Krithvik - for working hard to follow the instructions in PE.
Tyler - for working with others in the construction area so well.
Isa - for working really hard to read words, we are proud of you!
Amena - for setting up such a fabulous hospital in the role play area.
Shaunit - for working so well during oral blending activities, this is great news for your future reading skills!
Edvin - for super speaking in sentences to his classmates. Well done!

Elm Class

Khalil– For recognising and saying the CVC words when his teacher sound-talks them.
Leon-For his enthusiasm when completing all the new activities set up in class.
Ali– For being thoughtful and looking after his classroom and helping his teachers.
Daniel– For making new friends and enjoying learning in Elm class.
Muaz– For sharing his models with his teachers and talking about how they work.
Muddassir– For using his 'buzzing bee' volume to share his play with his teachers.

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Photos from our week

Autumn counting

Autumn art

Mr Gumpy's Outing

Reminders

Names Please make sure your child's name is on everything, including ties, coats and water bottles. Thank you.

Reading Record Books Do remember to check your child's reading record book for the reading task at the start of the week and write a comment in the parent section. Lots of the children can remember all the sounds now, but are not confident blending to read the words in the book. Please practise the words as well as the sounds regularly at home. If you are not sure, ask the class teacher and she will be able to give you some strategies to help with blending.

Have a wonderful half-term!

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Year 1 Weekly News Friday 23rd October 2026

What have we been up to this week?

This week we have started our new text 'Toys in Space'. We really enjoyed describing space using lots of adjectives!

In Maths, the children have been learning about number fact families and making number bonds to 10. This week has been DT Week. The children have enjoyed designing and making their puppets and are looking forward to taking them home!

Merits

Beech Class

Mohamed—for designing and making a lovely puppet, taking care to think about the design.

Angad—for trying hard with his writing and thinking carefully about the sounds in the words.

Ava—for a great description of space using a range of adjectives.

Dominic—for trying really hard with his spellings in school and at home.

Muzamil—for joining in with Maths songs and showing numbers on his fingers.

Aiyanna—for trying really hard with her pencil grip and doing some great writing using adjectives.

Willow Class

Illisha— for creating an excellent Victorian doll's house. Well done!

Zayd—for confidently recording number bonds to 10 systematically.

Weslyn—for recalling the main events of our new story 'Toys in Space!'

Elisha—for creating an amazing pond for Green Froggy by creating Lilly pads using the 'ee' digraph!

Laiken— for improved listening skills and use of lots of new vocabulary in Maths.

Evan—for creating a great illustration of space using chalk! It was out of this world!

Pine Class

Veer—for using superstar vocabulary when describing space using words such as 'Orion constellation'.

David—for super effort to recognize the phase 1 sounds and for excellent sound blending this week.

Vanizeh and Joshua—for confidently writing their number bonds to 10 systematically.

Prabhkirat and Jianna—for designing amazing puppets in DT.

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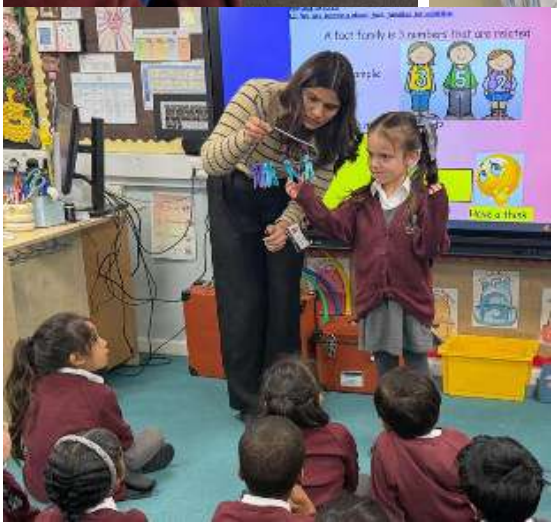
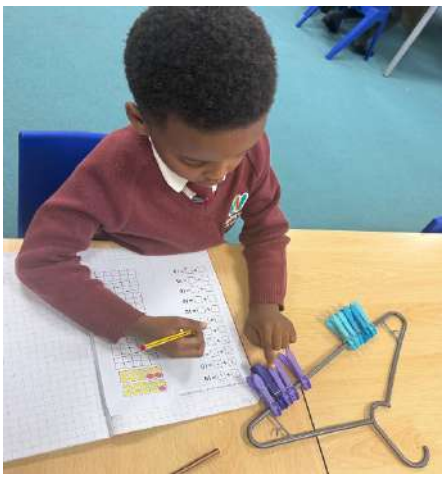
Photos from our week

We enjoyed creating Victorian dolls houses.

Look at our puppets!





Reminders

Please bring your book bag everyday!

Please make sure that all jumpers, cardigans, book bags and water bottles are labeled with your child's name.

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Year 2 Weekly News Friday 23rd October 2026

What have we been up to this week?

This week, Year 2 have enjoyed continuing their non-fiction information books about monarchs. They have been learning how to organise their writing by creating a contents page and glossary to help readers find information easily. In Maths, we have been comparing numbers and using the greater than (>) and less than (<) symbols to show which numbers are larger or smaller. In our Topic lessons, we have been learning about Alfred the Great and exploring his achievements as an Anglo-Saxon king. The children have enjoyed discovering more about his life and why he is remembered as an important historical figure.

Merits

Aspen

Shaniya and Achilles—for a super non fiction book about monarch using sub headings, images and facts.

Damian and Ayrah—super phonics, adding suffixs to root words.

Daiwick and Matteo—great explaining why King Alfred was Great.

Chestnut

Anandita—for her super work in English creating her nonfiction book.
Muska—for working very hard learning new sounds and getting familiar with new equipment.
Sorab—for his excellent participation in lessons and completing his work as requested.

Sycamore

Vanessa and Arnika—for getting top score in their weekly spelling test since the beginning of the Year 2 – well done and keep it up!

Jia—for her amazing nonfiction booklet about Queen Victoria and King Henry VIII.

Zubaid, Adam and Luca—for their amazing participation at a football festival and getting second place out of 13 teams —well done boys!

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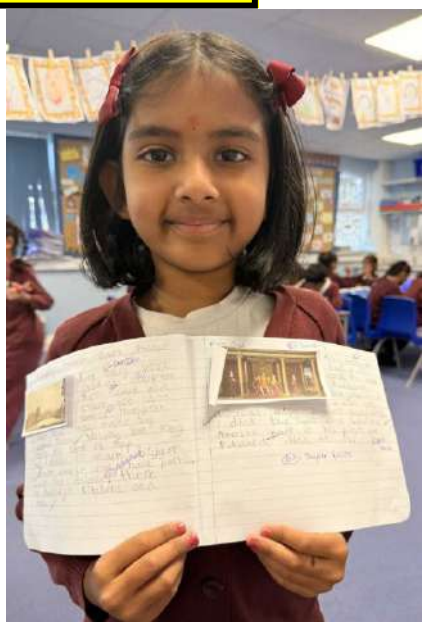
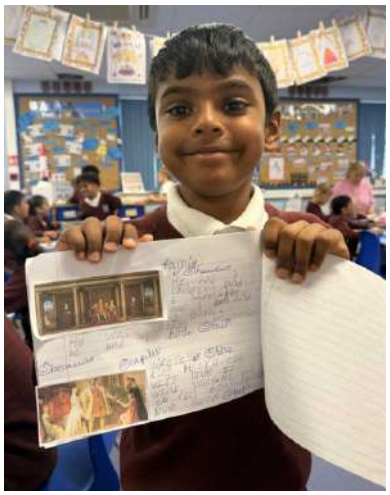
Photos from our week





Class Dojo

Aspen 623 Chestnut 667 Sycamore 345

Reminders

Please ensure homework and reading tasks are completed by Monday.

Half Term—from Monday 26th October.

INSET days—27th and 30th November

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Year 3 Weekly News Friday 23rd October 2026

What have we been up to this week?

In English this week, the children wrote up their persuasive letter to the townspeople to stop them from destroying the Black Rock from our class text.

In Maths this week, we have been using the column method to help subtract crossing the boundary of the tens and hundreds column by using exchange and practicing adding and subtracting a 3 digit number to a 2 digit number.

In History and PSHE this week, we researched and celebrated significant individuals within the black community and their accomplishments for Black History Month. In Year 3 we closely looked at Black British figures and how they have influenced change and impacted our communities.

Merits

Amber

Joana, Aarav, Sara and Alusine—for their amazing effort, contributions and attitude to researching and celebrating a significant individual from the black community for Black History Month.

Reese—for her exceptional persuasive letter to the village council to not destroy Black Rock.

Scott—for displaying a hidden talent in dodgeball during our PE lesson, he was extremely agile and quick when dodging the ball!

Sapphire

Laila N— for working very hard to complete a magnificent fact-file about Sir Mo Farah.

Kabir and Bhuvika—for writing incredibly powerful persuasive letters, convincing the townspeople not to destroy Black Rock.

Josiah—for tremendous application and effort in Maths this week to go through the tens and hundred barrier again and again.

Hareem—for persevering with all of her work this week, she has put in great effort.

Wali—for some truly stunning performances on the NOVA books website.

Topaz

Zofia, Hridaan and Yasin– for their superb posters celebrating the achievements significant individuals to celebrate Black History Month.

Khaled and Laura– for showing great perseverance and understanding of subtracting two numbers together with exchange and remembering to show the exchange.

Shivjot– for amazing dodgeball skills during PE showing great throwing and dodging skills.

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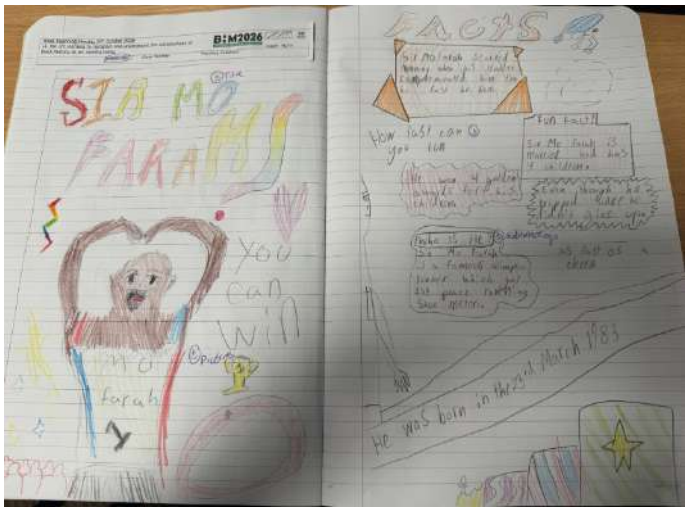
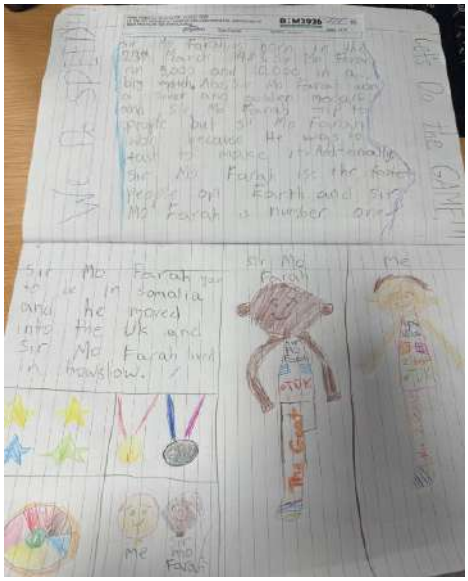
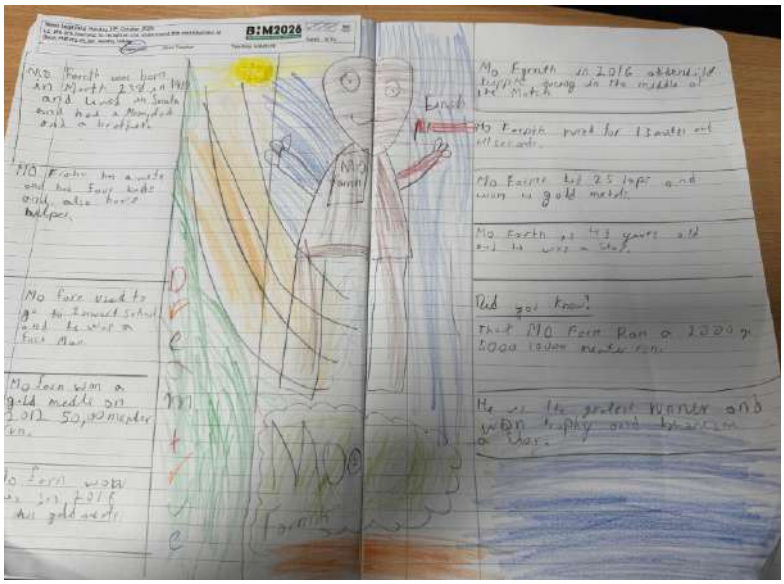
Photos from our week

We have been celebrating Black History Month by celebrating the achievements of local Olympic hero Mo Farah







Class Dojos

Topaz— 1540

Amber– 1712

Sapphire— 1615

Reminders

Maths homework will be given out every Thursday and should be completed and returned to school by the following Monday.

Return back to school, Monday 2nd November 2026.

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Year 4 Weekly News Friday 23rd October 2026

What have we been up to this week?

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

This week in Year 4, the children have been exploring their new class text, Ma'at's Feather, investigating key themes and the different emotions experienced by the characters. They also took part in a conscience alley activity to explore different viewpoints and develop their understanding of the story. In Maths, the children have been practising addition and subtraction involving one or more exchanges, developing their confidence and accuracy. In Topic, we learnt about Sargon the Great and his importance in Ancient Sumerian history. In Science, the children completed their end-of-unit assessments on Electricity, demonstrating what they have learnt throughout the topic.

Merits

Moonstone class

Anum—for her exceptional guided reading task, using figurative language to convey her emotions as the main character.

Leo—For his amazing results in PiXL, achieving the overall highest in the class.

Mia and Ishaan—For their efforts in Maths when exchanging twice with any even number.

Aivah and Kaedyn— For showing great efforts to complete task independently and applying their understanding.

Amethyst class

Jawaher and Melchio—for demonstrating positive engagement, using key mathematical vocabulary and showing deeper understanding when learning to subtract four-digit numbers from four-digit numbers involving more than one exchange.

Andrew– for applying his 2b retrieval and 2h comparative skills in his purple reading task, and writing about his journey on a plane trip to India using Writer's Toolbox.

Beritan— for showing more motivation to her learning and trying to ensure she completes set tasks to a higher standard and in a timely manner.

Uswah— for showing enthusiasm and great progress in swimming lessons— demonstrating excellent technique and swimming skills.

Yousuf— for consistently showing kindness and helpfulness towards his peers, setting a wonderful example of what it means to be a true friend both in the classroom and across the wider school community.

Obsidian class

Jade, Suman and Taran—They have shown fantastic dedication and commitment to their learning, consistently achieving an impressive 10 out of 10 in their weekly spelling tests. Their hard work and determination are truly paying off!

Ayansh S—He has shown fantastic motivation and enthusiasm towards reading, working his way through the Canon books with great determination. His dedication to reading and willingness to challenge himself have been wonderful to see!

Damian and Aksha—They have demonstrated an excellent understanding of four-digit subtraction involving one exchange, confidently applying their knowledge and using accurate methods to solve calculations. Fantastic work from both!

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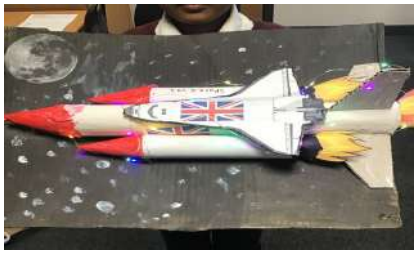
Photos from our week

In English, this started our new book Ma'at's Feather. We studied his changing emotions throughout the chapters and explored themes.

In Maths this week, we have been exploring subtraction of four–digit numbers using more than one exchange, and applying key mathematical vocabulary to show a deeper understanding of the topic.

Some of us made some fantastic entries for our school space competition and brought them to school. Just look at these amazing entries!



Class Dojos

Obsidian — 175

Amethyst — 613

Moonstone — 420

Reminders

Homework will be given out every **Thursday** and should be completed and returned to school by the following **Monday**. We appreciate your support in encouraging children to complete their homework on time. Please ensure that children in **Obsidian and Amethyst** bring a **swimming hat and goggles** for their swimming lessons. **Moonstone's swimming lessons** will begin during the week commencing **22nd February**. To support your child's progress with their **times tables**, we encourage them to spend **15 minutes each day** practising on **Maths Frame or Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)**. Regular practice will help to build their speed, accuracy and confidence. Thank you for your continued support at home!

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Year 5 Weekly News Friday 23rd October 2026

What have we been up to this week?

This week in English, we learnt how to plan, debate and write a balanced argument, giving reasons for and against a statement. In Maths, we practised solving multi-step addition and subtraction problems, comparing calculations and finding missing numbers using inverse operations. We also developed our arithmetic skills. In Science, we learnt about puberty and the physical changes that happen as humans grow from childhood into adulthood. We also discussed the importance of personal hygiene and how humans change as they get older. These lessons helped us develop our knowledge, reasoning and understanding of the world around us. In addition, we explored Black History Month by learning about Marcus Rashford and his contributions to society. We also developed our teamwork, communication and sportsmanship skills through exciting team tournaments in PE.

Merits

Diamond class

Viaan—for his brilliant effort in English when looking at balanced arguments, identifying the features and also presenting a debate.

Chanroop and Kingston —for their amazing Maths work when comparing calculations.

Ella—for her increasing confidence in class when taking part in discussion and putting her hand up to answer questions.

Anika—for her maturity in Science when learning about the teenage stage and processes in the human lifecycle.

Hoorain—for trying her best when taking part in the debate and using sentence stems to present her argument.

Pearl Class

Minnah and Sanjana - for confidently identifying the features of a balanced argument in English and explaining points for and against.

Sobiya and James - for accurately solving multi-step addition and subtraction problems in Maths and applying inverse operations.

Daria and Adam - for thoughtfully exploring equality and inclusion in PSHE and recognising the importance of responsible citizenship.

Jade Class

Aniruddh and Daniel Mon.- for creating fantastic fact files on Marcus Rashford for Black History Month.

Warsan and Nishmeet- for their great use of oracy skills in English when debating whether it is ever okay to tell a lie.

Sankalp and Aarav L- for showing great listening skills in Maths when comparing calculations using addition and subtraction methods.

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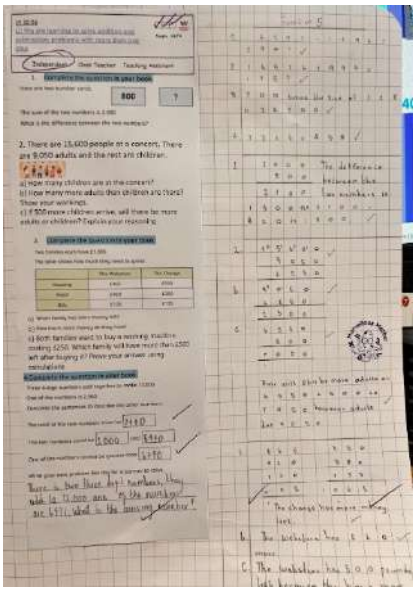
Photos from our week

In English, we explored balanced arguments and looked at the structural and language features.

In Maths, we solved multi step addition and subtraction word problems.



Class Dojos

Diamond— 1025

Pearl— 1322

Jade — 1215

Reminders

Homework is uploaded on to Google Classroom on a Thursday and is due back on a Monday.

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Year 6 Weekly News Friday 23rd October 2026

What have we been up to this week?

In English this week, we have identified features of diary entries to help us plan and write a diary entry from the perspective of Mother, from our class text: The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas. In Mathematics, we learned how to use long division to divide four digit by two digit numbers, with and without remainders. We have also finished our Four Operations block of learning in Maths and will be exploring our Fractions topic after half-term. In History, we continued to discuss the importance of Black History and researched significant Black figures who have made a difference in our society. In RE, we consolidated our learning about Buddhism and created a fact file on what we have learned this half-term. In Science, we learned about how light behaves when reflected off concave and convex mirrors. Have a restful half-term.

Merits

Coral

Hawa and Shanaya - for perseverance in Maths when attempting long division questions.

Saatvik and Aarav - for precisely inferring and retrieving from a passage of text in Guided Reading.

Abeerah and Vihaan C - for creating beautiful fact files of Sir Lewis Hamilton to celebrate Black History Month in History.

Ruby

Lakshanaya—for her super contributions and excellent listening skills with Miss Philips from Hounslow Music Service.

Imaan and Zayd—for persevering in Maths this week when using their times-table facts to tackle long division.

Kimi—for getting into character so well to plan and write a diary entry about the events at the Christmas party.

Katushca—for practicing her spellings throughout the half term and consistently achieving great scores.

Alan—for calculating multiples effectively and showing great mathematical thinking.

Jet

Kung'u and Muaaz—for their clear working out and following the steps of long division.

Sofia N—for challenging herself this week when learning the steps of long division.

Aashvi, Anes and Reve—for incorporating inner thoughts and show not tell in their plans for their diary entry when writing in role as Mother.

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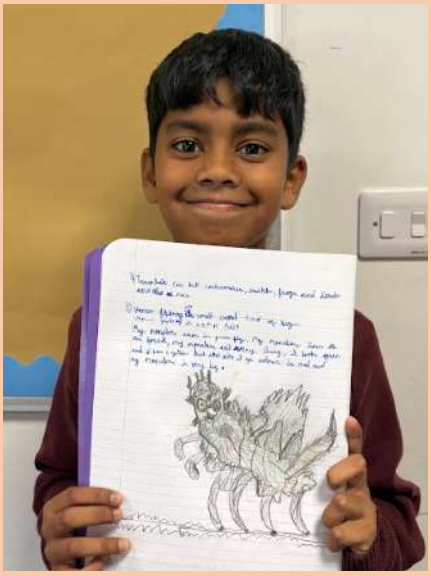
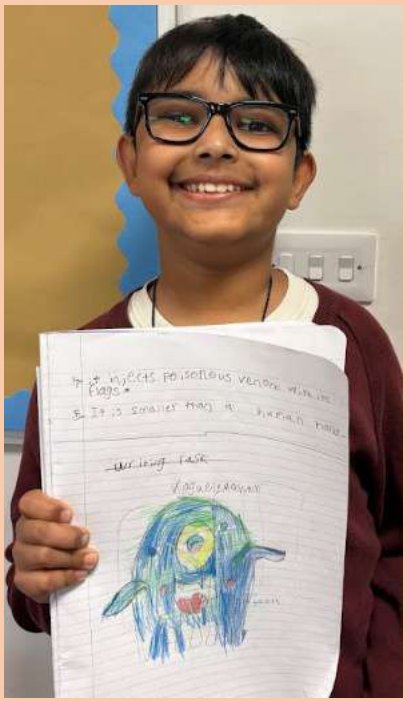
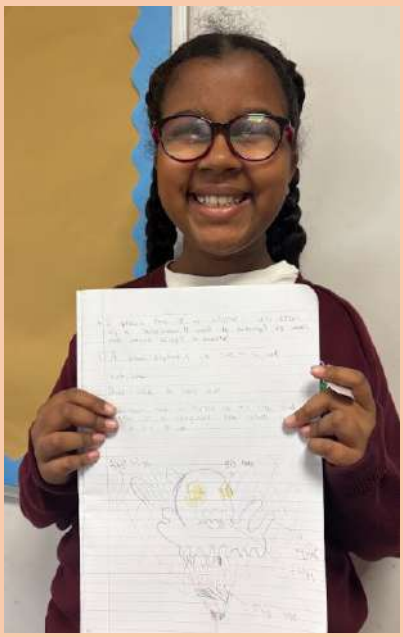
Photos from our week

We had fun creating our own little monsters in Guided Reading.







Class Dojos

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RUBY 764

CORAL 749

Reminders

Homework— Maths and English homework has been given out on paper this week, it is due back on Monday.

Please see ParentMail about the upcoming trip to the Imperial War Museum to give consent for your child to attend the trip.