

Class Updates - 27.06.2025

Reception Butterflies update



Butterflies class have spent the week under the sea, learning all about the fascinating sea creatures that live under the sea and in rock pools on the beaches. The children have loved researching them and writing facts about them.

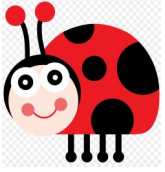
In Art, we got creative and made our own sea creatures out of recycled materials. The children carefully selected the materials they wanted to create their creature, painted and decorated them, practising their cutting skills.

In Maths, we have been looking at odd and even numbers and doubles. We have worked with our friends, sorting numbers and playing games like bingo to become familiar with number facts.

We have been enjoying the sunny weather and there has been lots of creative and collaborative play on the decking, building, role playing and creating a beach with sand and water!



Ms Nicholson, Mr Powlesland, Miss Hunter, Miss Murnane , Miss Marks and Miss Brighten



Year 1 Ladybirds Update

We have had a wonderful week this week. In computing, we sequenced different instructions for our sprite using Scratch Jnr. We have been exploring the different instructions and sequencing them to make our sprite move. In RSE, we identified what babies need and discussed our own experiences of looking after babies. We stayed cool in forest school, building, climbing and crafting in the shade. In geography, we have been looking closely at Shanghai and identified where it is on a map. We know that Shanghai is located in China, which is in Asia. We identified the different human and physical features in photos of Shanghai and discussed why there were many more human features.



Mrs Holmes, Ms Tickle, Mrs Slade and Mrs Tagg





Year 2 Caterpillars Update

We've had a fantastic week in Year 2, full of learning, fun, and exciting experiences!

Maths

In Maths, we've been exploring the topic of *data*. The children have been busy collecting information, organising it into pictograms, tally charts, and bar charts, and then interpreting what they see. Whether it was counting favourite colours or tallying different types of pets, they've shown fantastic enthusiasm and curiosity.

English

In English, we've continued enjoying our class book and used it as inspiration to write clear lists of instructions for how we can help others and create vivid setting descriptions. The children have worked hard to use exciting vocabulary and organise their ideas carefully in their writing.

DT

This week in DT, we've had a brilliant time preparing for our junk modelling project all about sea creatures. The children have spent the week gathering recyclable materials, planning their designs, and thinking carefully about the features their chosen sea creature would need. Today, they brought their ideas to life—cutting, sticking, and shaping their creations with great focus and imagination.

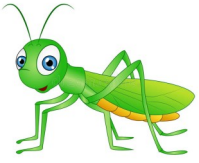
As always, we're very proud of how hard Year 2 are working and how enthusiastically they approach every new challenge.

Best wishes,

Mr Brown, Mrs Wulfse and Miss Sykes



Year 3 Grasshoppers Update



This week, we have been focusing on completing our final assessments of the year. I have been really pleased with the positive attitude the class have had whilst completing both the Maths and Reading assessments.

In Science, we looked at the functions of each part of a flowering plant. In R.E, we studied the first Pillar of Islam - Shahada and its importance in a Muslim's daily life. In French, the children are planning their shop window display using the correct vocabulary for snacks and fruit.

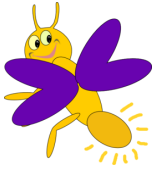
This week in PSHCE, we have been doing our Relationships and Sex Education unit. We have looked at healthy relationships, personal space (with a focus on the PANTS rule), appropriate behaviours, in real life and online, and my changing body.

Please continue the conversation at home as this will really help cement the importance of keeping yourself safe and natural changes.

Mr Pike, Mrs Smith and Miss Dye



Year 4 Fireflies Update



We're thrilled to share some fantastic news—our students, including year 4, have truly outdone themselves at the recent athletics competition! Their determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship were on full display as they competed with energy and enthusiasm.

We are incredibly proud to announce that they returned as *winners*! Their hard work and commitment have paid off, and they've brought back wonderful memories and a great sense of achievement.

Well done to all the adults and children who have worked hard to achieve this.

In school, our art project continues. So far, we have made a loom, on which to work, created a Viking doll design and have begun to weave. Often things went wrong with our weaving as we got to grips with this intricate process yet great resilience was shown when we went back a few steps or even started again.

The children continued developing their understanding of statistics in maths, focusing on drawing and interpreting various types of charts. They learned how to create bar charts ensuring accuracy in both data representation and labelling of each axis. Alongside constructing these visual tools, they also practised extracting and solving problems using the information presented in the charts. This helped them develop critical thinking skills as they analysed trends, compared data sets, and answered questions based on their findings.

In English, we are now working on the final part of our extended writing—a non-chronological report. After carrying out detailed research on the rainforest, we used the information gathered to begin planning and writing our reports. We focused on key features of non-chronological writing, such as using subheadings, factual language, and clear paragraphs to organise our ideas. As we moved towards completing our reports, we concentrated on improving presentation, ensuring our work was neatly laid out with appropriate titles, images, and bullet points where necessary.

Mrs Dumitrescu, Mrs Norman and Miss Humphreys



Year 5 Busybees Update



Another week has flown by in Year 5!

It's been another action-packed week in Year 5, full of learning, creativity, and achievement.

English

This week, we've been sharpening our writing skills by using subordinating and relative clauses. The children have applied these techniques beautifully in both diary entries and non-fiction texts—great progress all round!

Maths

In maths, we've revisited key concepts including rounding, division, and multiplication. The children are showing increased confidence in their number work. We've also been working with Mrs Norman to refine our speed writing skills—quick thinking and even quicker pencils!

History – The Victorian Era

Our topic on the Victorian era has sparked lots of curiosity. This week, the children learned about some of the most influential inventors of the time and even took part in a fun "Dragons' Den" style activity, pitching inventions to each other for 'investment'. Their enthusiasm and creativity were fantastic.

District Athletics

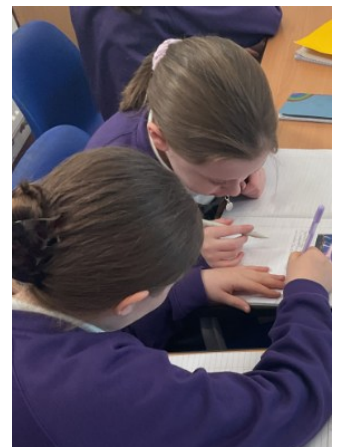
A huge well done to the children who represented our school in District Athletics on Thursday. We are incredibly proud of their effort, sportsmanship, and team spirit.



Fun in Year R

We had a great time in Year R sharing stories with them. We even got to join in some imaginative play. Thank you as always for your continued support. Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Potter, Mrs Flack and Ms Brighten





Year 6 Dragonflies update

It's been another action-packed week in Year 6, full of creativity, leadership and some very clever coding!

In Computing, the children have been continuing their work with micro:bits—this time learning how to create loops and use if, then, and else statements in their code. They worked through challenges to make their programmes react to different conditions, and some even pushed themselves further by learning how to send messages between micro:bits using radio waves. It's been brilliant to see just how quickly they've picked up complex programming concepts and how confidently they're applying them.

Back in the world of the school production, the children have stepped into leadership roles by helping teach the dance routines to the Year 5s. They showed real patience, encouragement and a fantastic understanding of the choreography as they supported the younger children in learning the moves.

On top of that, rehearsals continue in full swing! We've been busy not only polishing up our scenes but also getting creative with props—both making and then learning how to use them effectively on stage to enhance the performance. From chair logistics to dramatic pauses with an....egg, it's all coming together brilliantly!

And there was lots of excitement in the air as the children were very hyped-up for their taster day at SWCHS. We can't wait to hear all about their experiences when they return from SWCHS on Monday!

Mr Clarke and Miss Driscoll

P.S. Big congratulations to Ms Driscoll for leading the school to their 2nd District Championship in a row!

