

Class Updates - 20.03.2026



Reception Butterflies update

This week we've been focussing on the story of the Three Little Pigs in our learning. We have read different versions of the story and thought about the differences and similarities.

There has been a lot of writing going on in Phonics, Drawing Club and small writing groups, writing captions for pictures. All the children have been trying really hard to segment and spell independently.

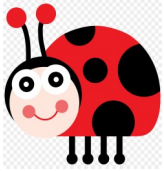
In Maths, we are looking at 3D shapes and their properties. We have been using the shapes in our play, building houses for the three little pigs, as well as printing and matching shapes. Some of the names are very tricky to say and remember!! Especially 'sphere'!

We have been thinking about the properties of different materials in our Understanding of the World and what makes the best material for the three little pigs to build a house from.

In RE we have continued to learn about Easter and we have made an Easter garden and decorated crosses to put in it.



Miss Nicholson and the Reception team



Year 1 Ladybirds Update

Another busy week this week!

Dance poetry workshop

We had a great time listening to the Owl and the pussy cat poem and dancing along to the words. We all enjoyed pretending to be cats.

DT

This week we got creative making our own fruit kebabs. They looked beautiful and tasted very yummy!

Forest school

In forest school we used the saws to cut up wood/sticks and built fires with the wood we cut.

Dance festival

We have worked incredibly hard learning our dance for the dance festival. We will be dedicating next weeks newsletter to photos from our dance festival for you all to enjoy.

Mrs Holmes and the Year One team





Year 2 Caterpillars Update

It has been another busy and exciting period in Year 2, with the children showing great enthusiasm across all areas of their learning.

In **English**, we have been focusing on writing our own adventure stories. The children have enjoyed creating imaginative settings, developing characters and thinking carefully about how to build excitement within their writing. We are particularly proud of the effort they have put into using descriptive language and structuring their stories clearly.

In **Maths**, we have been learning about fractions. The children have been exploring what a whole is and how to recognise and find $\frac{1}{2}$. They have also begun finding fractions of amounts, using practical resources to support their understanding. It has been fantastic to see their confidence growing in this area.

In **Design and Technology**, our topic of *Flight* has really captured the children's interest. We have started by researching different types of flying objects and their features. The children have now begun designing their own cards linked to this theme, carefully thinking about how to make them appealing and functional.

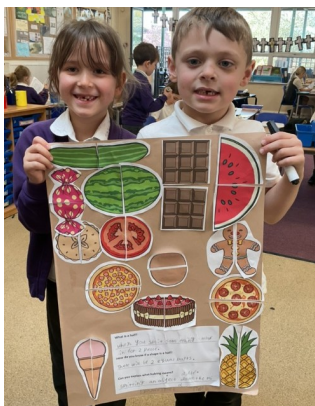
We also had a wonderful time celebrating **World Book Day**. The children took part in a range of activities, including performing *The Owl and the Pussycat* through dance and movement. It was a joy to watch them bring the poem to life with such creativity and enthusiasm. They all worked incredibly hard and should be very proud of their efforts.

During **Neurodiversity Week**, the children took part in thoughtful discussions about how everyone's brain works in different and amazing ways. They created some fantastic artwork to celebrate this, expressing the idea that we are all unique and that our differences are something to be valued and celebrated. It was wonderful to see such creativity alongside kindness and understanding.

Well done to all of Year 2 for their continued hard work and positive attitude to learning!

Reminder: We are very excited for our upcoming trip to Duxford on Monday! Please ensure children arrive on time and are prepared for a fun and engaging day.

Mr Brown & the Year 2 Team





Year 3 Grasshoppers Update

In Maths, we have been focusing on measuring perimeter. The children have been working hard to calculate the distance around different shapes, using both practical activities and written methods to strengthen their understanding.

In English, we have been developing our writing skills by creating paragraphs that include dialogue. The class has also been practising how to build tension in their writing. Alongside this, the children have begun planning their own adventure stories, thinking carefully about characters, settings and plot ideas.

In RE, we have been learning about the importance of Prophet Muhammad to Muslims and discussing why he is such a special and respected figure in Islam. The children showed thoughtful engagement and asked some excellent questions during our discussions.

In DT, we have started our new project of designing and making light boxes. The class is very enthusiastic about this project and enjoyed the different activities including making electrical circuits and sawing wood!

Have a lovely weekend and see you for our last week of term next week!



Mrs Potter and the Year 3 team



Year 4 Fireflies Update

A lovely week down in Year 4!

In **Science**, the class looked at endangered plants and how environmental factors impact specific species. We made the most of the beautiful weather and took our learning outside, where the children worked in groups to research specific plants and the reasons they are at risk. As always, I saw some wonderful collaboration and the children enjoyed presenting their findings to their peers at the end of the lesson.

I have seen a real growth in confidence in lots of the children over the past few months, in regards to speaking publicly and presenting their work. Supporting this notion, the parent presentation on Monday was a great success despite technical issues! I know the class were really proud to showcase their learning, especially their new found rap skills! Thank you to all of those who attended.

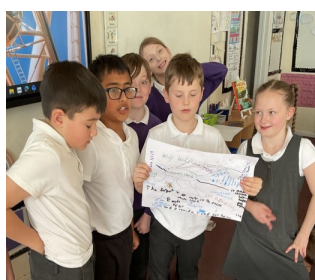
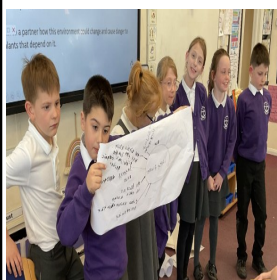
In **RE**, we have spent time investigating the charitable contributions of local religious groups. Again, we took this learning outdoors and worked in groups to conduct our research. It was lovely to hear that the children are already part of lots of these organisations in some way!

We were also lucky enough to receive a visit from a cast member from the West End as part of our world book day workshop. The children immersed themselves in the poem 'Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll, discussing the vocabulary and linking this to interpretive dance. They all got stuck in and had a wonderful time!

Please note, on the school's website there is a recommended reading section, to give guidance on age-appropriate texts for your child. This includes a reading challenge to foster a love of reading. We are on our second class book of the Year and it has been great to see the enthusiasm and in-depth discussion this has promoted.

Wishing you all a great weekend,

Mrs Tagg and the Year 4 team





Year 5 Busybees Update

This week has been full of creativity, energy, and fantastic achievements in Year 5!

For World Book Day, the children took part in an exciting dance workshop inspired by *The Jabberwocky*. They explored movement and expression brilliantly, bringing the poem to life in imaginative ways. It was lovely to see the class so engaged.

In Science, we investigated the properties of materials, thinking carefully about their uses and characteristics. The children showed great curiosity and asked thoughtful questions throughout the lesson.

In English, the class enjoyed a free writing session based on a picture stimulus. They then confidently shared their work with the class—there were some wonderfully creative ideas and impressive presentations. In History, we looked at Roman artefacts and the children had to decide what they could be made of, what they could be and then who may have used them. This prompted a lot of interesting conversations.

A huge well done to everyone for their amazing effort at the dance performance on Tuesday—we are super proud of you all! Congratulations also

Mr Pike, Mrs Smith, Miss Humphreys, Miss Driscoll





Year 6 Dragonflies update

Another busy week in Year 6, with lots of work building up to our Science fair!

World Book Day continued... this time with a dance workshop organised by Mr Brown. The children explored *The Jabberwocky* and some of the darker themes from *Alice Through the Looking Glass*, using movement to bring the stories to life. It was great to see them interpreting the ideas in such a different way!

In Science, the children have now finished their investigations and have created their boards ready for the Science Fair next week. There have been a few tense moments along the way, but it's been really positive to see their teamwork and conflict resolution skills develop as they worked through challenges together.

In English, we finished our suspense stories. The children have done a great job using techniques like show not tell, personification and repetition to build tension and keep the reader on edge. There were some spooky and unnerving ideas in those tales too - don't read that one on the next book look if you're faint of heart!

In Geography, we've continued working on six-figure grid references to locate different places on a world map. The children have been getting more thinking about how latitude and longitude work together. Can your child explain what these lines are and why longitudinal lines sometimes appear curved?

Have a great weekend and we'll see you Monday for the final week of the term!

Mr Clarke

