



PTS NEWS



May 2025



Headteacher's Comment



May has been a beautiful month so far and we are enjoying the wonders of spring in our playground. The new pond is still teeming with life and we are working to landscape it so that it will be safe for the children to pond dip again soon.

It has been a short half term but Year 6 have worked incredibly hard and they should be very proud of themselves. They all approached their SATs tests with courage and confidence and they can now look forward to an exciting end of year with their Residential to Calshot, their play and their end of term party.

Sport has been a high priority this half term with children excelling in Quadkids and hockey and we are excited for Sports Day this Thursday. We also want to congratulate Mrs Black, Mrs Ashall and Miss Harris who completed the Marathon walk on Saturday to raise money for Oakhaven. Not only did they complete the course, they came first (by two hours!!) A huge well done to the three of them. They really did show us how to 'Be the Best we can Be'!



Road and Car Park Safety



We are very grateful to parents for ensuring that they do not park in the car park. This ensures that we can keep everyone safe and it allows the mini-bus to get in and out of the car park safely. We understand that it is hard to find parking and we appreciate your efforts to park safely in the roads surrounding the school.

Walk to school week was this week and we encourage everyone who can walk, ride or scoot to school to do this. The roads are then safer for our children and this also helps to reduce pollution .



Summer 1 Learning - Red Kites

What a busy half term of learning for year 3!

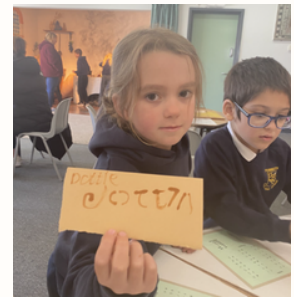
We have been studying the Romans in history and visited Fishbourne Roman Palace to enrich our learning.

We spun wool, wrote our names in Latin, constructed our own patterns for a mosaic tile and tasted some food which the Romans would have enjoyed eating.

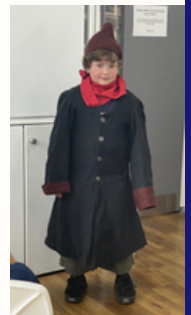
We also became Roman soldiers and raised an army against our teachers!



Guess who won?



More recently we visited St. Barbs Museum and Art Gallery where we took part in a smuggling workshop as an introduction to our new History and Geography topic.



In art we created our own designs based on African Printing and printed them on to calico material. There were some wonderful and vibrant designs.

In science we are now learning about electricity, ready for use to create our own lighthouse lamps next half term.

Summer 1 Learning - Eagles

Despite a relatively short term, year 4 have packed in a lot of learning over this half term.

We have had a busy time in all areas of the curriculum. In maths, the children have been learning about fractions and how to find the area of 2D shapes. They know now that they would much prefer a $\frac{1}{4}$ of a piece of cake rather than $\frac{1}{8}$!

Using the book Hurricane by David Wiesner in English the children have really worked hard on their language skills by thinking about what it would be like to be in a hurricane and then the calmness after the storm to write comparative texts.



We bought out our world jigsaw puzzles to locate focus mountain ranges. We also took the opportunity to reflect on our learning about continents and our earlier geography topic on Guyana. The children then used clay to demonstrate their understanding on how mountains are formed.

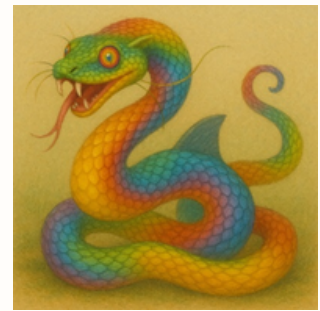


Year 4 have worked amazingly hard on learning their Times Tables this year. The National Year 4 Test window begins on Monday 2nd June, as soon as we get back from $\frac{1}{2}$ term. Please keep up the good work by encouraging your child to access the Times Table Rock Stars; especially during $\frac{1}{2}$ term. Let us help them to do well.

Summer 1 Learning - Falcons

This half term, Falcons have been working incredibly hard across all subjects. In maths, we've been exploring fractions and angles, as well as continuing to practise multiplying two-digit numbers by other two-digit numbers with increasing confidence.

In writing, we've drawn inspiration from the powerful picture book *The Arrival* to create our own imaginative stories. As part of our topic work, the children designed their very own deadly creatures and used their descriptive writing skills to bring them to life—before using technology to create detailed visual representations for our very own 'Deadly 60' collection.



In science, we've been focusing on two exciting units: properties of materials and living things. One of our favourite investigations involved finding out how long it takes for chocolate to melt using only the sun's heat—lots of fun and learning combined



Summer 1 Learning - Falcons

One of the highlights of the term was our fantastic trip to the Tower of London. Despite a long journey, the children showed exemplary behaviour and lived out our school values throughout the day. We were lucky to enjoy beautiful sunshine—and even got the chance to see the Crown Jewels



It's been a brilliant half term. The children have shown real resilience, curiosity, and courage in all that they've done.

Wishing you all a restful and happy half term break!

Summer 1 Learning - Barn Owls

This half term, year 6 have been working hard to prepare for their SATs tests in grammar, reading and maths. We were blown away by the effort and determination that they showed during their tests. They approached the papers with confidence and a positive attitude. We could not have asked for any more from them and they should be incredibly proud of themselves.

We have also finished reading the book *Holes* by Louis Sachar and are now planning some writing based on it. Our topic in science has been about light and how we see things and we have started our new History topic learning about the Ancient Islamic Civilisation.

We cannot believe that they are about to start their last half term at PJS!





UPCOMING DATES

- 22nd May - Sports Day**
- 23rd May - Inset Day**
- 26th May - Bank Holiday, ½ Term**
- 2nd June - Summer Term 2**
- 9th June - Class Photo**
- 18th - 20th June - Year 6 Residential**
- 8th July - Year 3 Trip to Hurst Castle**
- 8th July - Year 6 Transition Day to Priestlands**
- 9th July - Year 6 Leavers Party**
- 10th July - PJS Transition Day**
- 16th & 17th July - Year 6 Performance**
- 18th July - Whole School Camp - weather permitting**
- 22nd July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly am**
- 22nd July - Whole School Picnic**
- 22nd July - Last Day of Term**
- 23rd July - Summer Holidays**