

BEARWOOD NEWS



Friday 1st May 2026



A message from Ms Alder



Dear Families

It is so lovely when our former students return to visit us. This week, Benjamin returned for the week to carry out his work experience. He continues to be polite and helpful - now as a young man. We are looking forward to welcoming some of our other ex-students back for their work experiences over the coming weeks.

On Tuesday, some Holt School staff met with our Year Six girls who will be transferring to The Holt in September. On Thursday, some of our Year Five girls went to experience a sports event at The Forest School.

Beaver Class presented a special assembly to their families on Thursday. It was really interesting to hear all that they have been learning in class. Their art work was particularly excellent - with bold, vibrant colours.

The weather has been lovely and warm these last few days. Let's hope it continues over the bank holiday weekend. We shall look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday!

Best wishes
Funmi Alder
Headteacher

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Value for the term - Resilience



NUT AWARE SCHOOL

Please ensure your child does not have any food items containing nuts at school. Thank you for keeping our community safe.

Events ★

- **4th May** - Bank Holiday
- **w/c 11th May** - SATS
- **12th May** - Nursery Stay & Play session - 9am-9.45am
- **19th May** - Class Photographs
- **22nd May** - 9.30am Parent Tour
- **22nd May** - 2pm Country Dancing show to Parents
- **25th May** - Summer Half - Term
- **1st June** - Children Return
- **w/c 8th June** - Yr 1 Phonics Screening check
- **w/c 8th June** - Yr 4 Multiplications check
- **16th June** - EYFS Bucklebury Farm Trip
- **18th June** - GRT History Month Assembly
- **w/c 22nd June** - Year 6 residential
- **23rd June** - Parents' Forum Meeting 9am
- **25th June** - Fox Class Assembly
- **26th June** - Prospective Parents' Tour - 9.30am

WEEKLY AWARDS



Growth Mindset Award ★

Fox Class - **Georgia** 'who persevered with her loom making in DT and for helping others too.'

Beaver Class - **Whole Class** 'for a super class assembly.'

Red Squirrel Class - **Louie** 'for amazing progress in all of his learning.'

Hedgehog Class - **Bella** 'great comprehension skills during shared reading.'

Badger Class - **Advik** 'for great focus and wanting to challenge yourself in all lessons.'

Otter Class - **Ziyannah** 'for always being ready to learn and challenging yourself.'

Grey Wolf Class - **Ruby** 'consistently working hard and challenging yourself'

PE Award ★

Fox Class - **Eliana & Ethan** 'for being awesome country dance partners.'

Beaver Class - **Layla** 'for fantastic dancing!'

Red Squirrel Class - **Mimie** 'for great jumping in athletics.'

Hedgehog Class - **Shuban** 'great enthusiasm when practising whole school dance.'

Badger Class - **Zac D** 'for determination and resilience during the relay.'

Otter Class - **Siddhant** for determination and resilience during maypole.'

Grey Wolf Class - **Charlie** 'for effort and super positive attitude during maypole.'

Writer of the week ★

KS1 - **Isla** 'for a fantastic diary entry, using your knowledge of the text to uplevel your writing.'

LKS2 - **Arlo** 'for fantastic knowledge about dialogue.'

UKS2 - **Jack** 'for excellent vocabulary choices to help build atmosphere in your writing this week.'

Attendance Award ★

Fox Class - 99% (**Winner**)

Beaver Class - 98.8%

Red Squirrel Class - 96.3%

Hedgehog Class - 98.3%

Badger Class - 98.6%

Otter Class - 96.2%

Grey Wolf Class - 98.4%

Brown Bear Class - 99% (**Winner**)

INCLUSION/SEN



A message from Ms Kay Clarke (Inclusion Lead) ★★

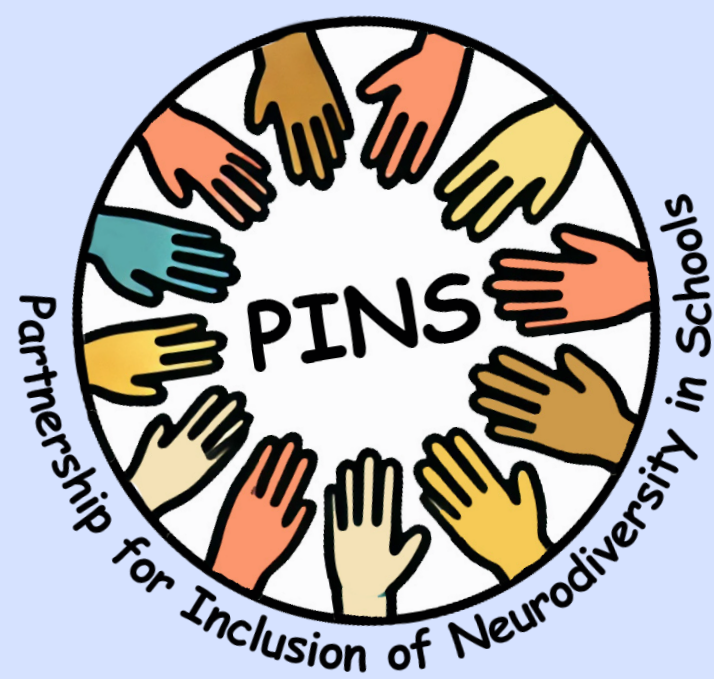


PINS Project Update (Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools)

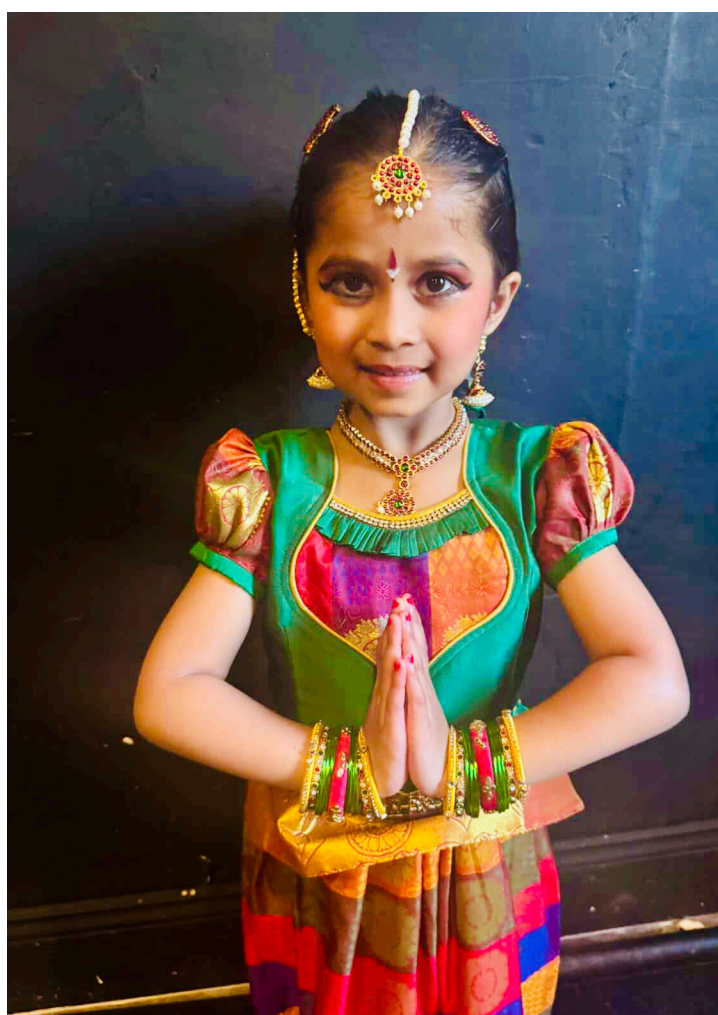
Last week, our link Educational Psychologist (EP) Dr Lucy Beynon, delivered some training to our teachers on 'Inclusive Learning Environments' as part of the PINS Project.

We have already made a start on this aspect of the Project so it was great to be able to look in everyone's classrooms to see what was already in place and to share good practice. Examples included visual timetables in every classroom, calm corners, clear uncluttered areas to improve focus and less bright / busy displays to reduce sensory overload. Teachers also looked at their room from a child's point of view, sitting in different places in the classroom to look for anything that could impact their ability to concentrate and remain focused and comfortable. This was a very thought-provoking and useful exercise.

Following the training, each teacher has identified one change they are going to make this term to make their classroom environment even more inclusive.



WEEKLY SUPERSTAR



Triaksha in Reception class, gave her very first stage performance at the Wilde Theatre, South Hill Park, Bracknell and it turned out to be a great success!

She performed alongside her classmate, Vihika and together they delivered a lovely performance. The event was very well received, and they truly enjoyed being on stage.

Well done Triaksha and Vihika!

Would you like to star in our next newsletter?



If you would like your child to star in our next week's Newsletter, please email a photo and a brief description of your child's achievements into the school office.



WEEKLY SUPERSTAR



Mollie in Year 5 won 'Parents Player' this year at her local football team. **Great job Mollie! Keep up the hardwork!**



Amber in Year 6 has drawn some fantastic bees for the Bee trail at Henley. The bee trail is a mix of Bumblebee, Solitary Bee and the Honeybee, all native to the UK. For further information, do have a look at their brochure:

<https://www.henleyartstrail.com/brochure>

Well done Amber! You are very talented!



Anas in Year 4 and his team won the PHYL football league Under-9 Cup Sunday League.

This is a fantastic achievement that reflects Anas's dedication, teamwork, and passion for the sport.

Well done Anas!

WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



EYFS Team



This week the children in EYFS have been learning all about Spiders! The Drawing Club story this week for the reception children is The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle, you can listen to a version here: <https://youtu.be/TfL0g-XRxnA> The children have made their own Incy Wincy spiders and learnt that spiders come in all shapes and sizes and we even found out that some spiders don't spin webs!



Class Reminders

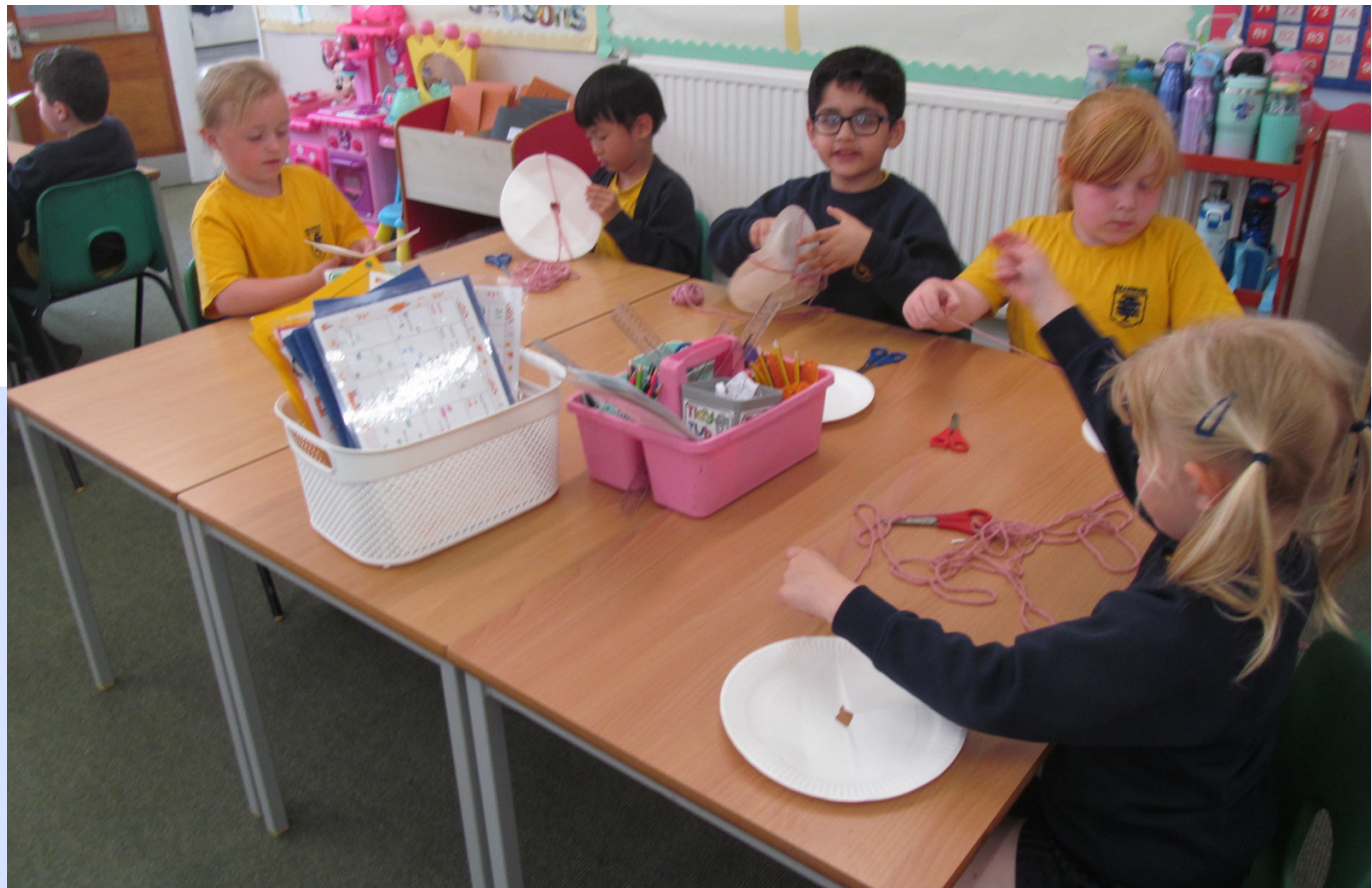
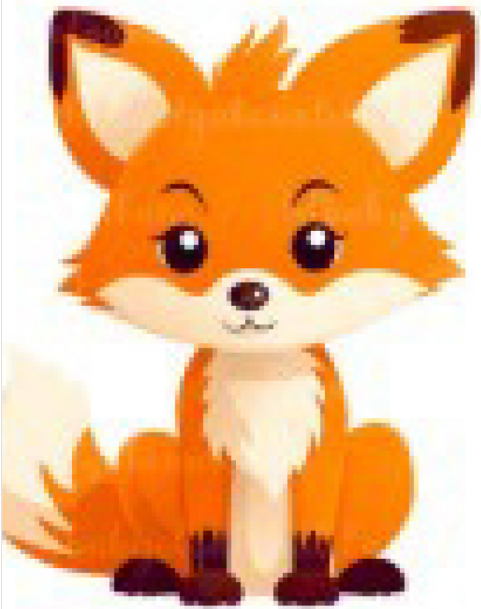
- **12th May 2026** - Nursery Stay & Play Session 9am-9.45am
- **16th June 2026** - Bucklebury Farm Trip

WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...

Year 1- Fox Class



This week in DT we started making our looms. We used a paper plate and yarn. It was a bit tricky so we had to use a lot of perseverance and concentration.



Class reminders

- **Thursday 25th June** - Class Assembly - 9am

WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



Year 2 - Beaver Class



Yesterday we presented our class assembly to our families. We gave them a snippet into all the fun and exciting things that we have learnt about so far this year and spoke about our trip to Windsor Castle next week!



Class reminders

- **Thursday 7th May - Windsor Castle Trip**

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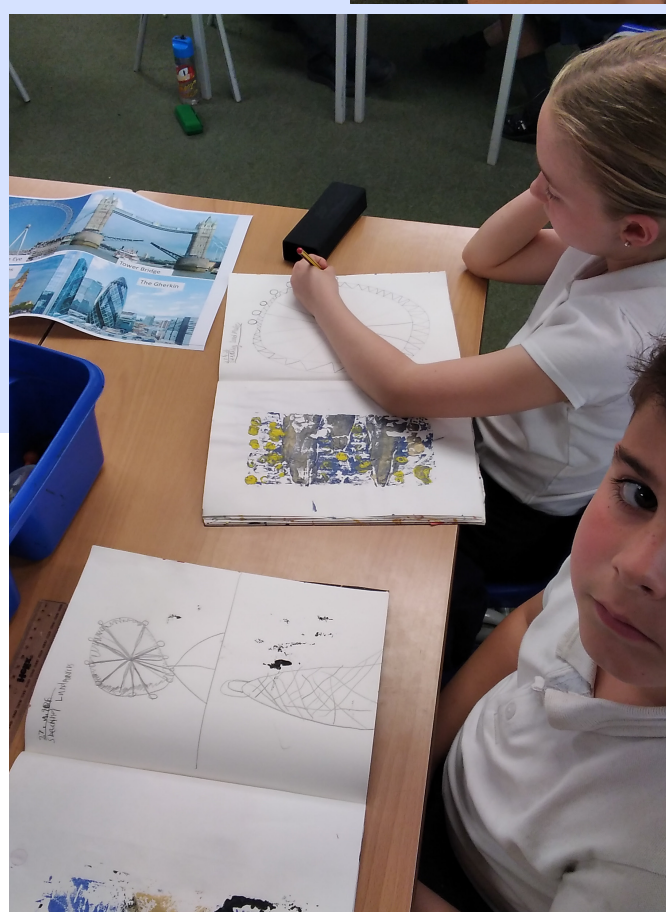
Year 3 - Red Squirrel



This week Year 3 have been learning about famous London landmarks. We had a go at sketching them ahead of making our London skyline.



Great Job!! 



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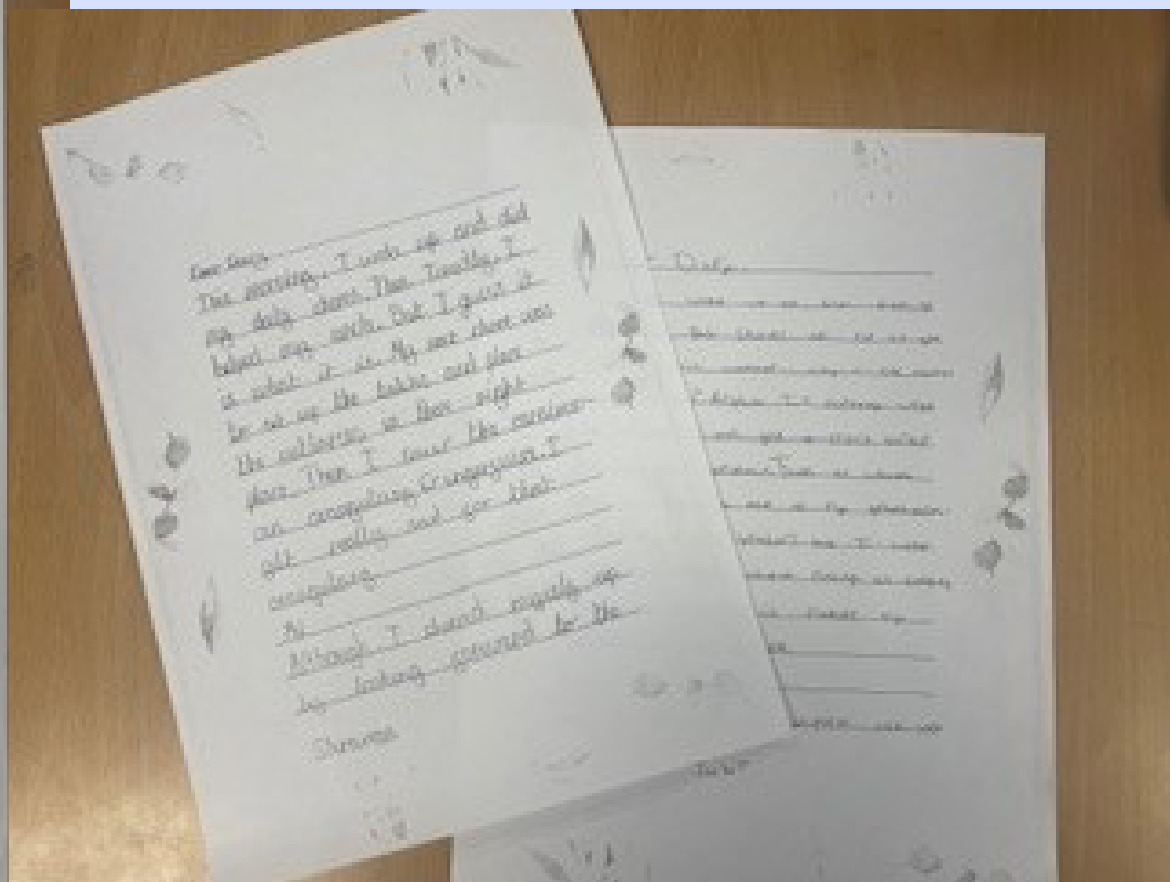
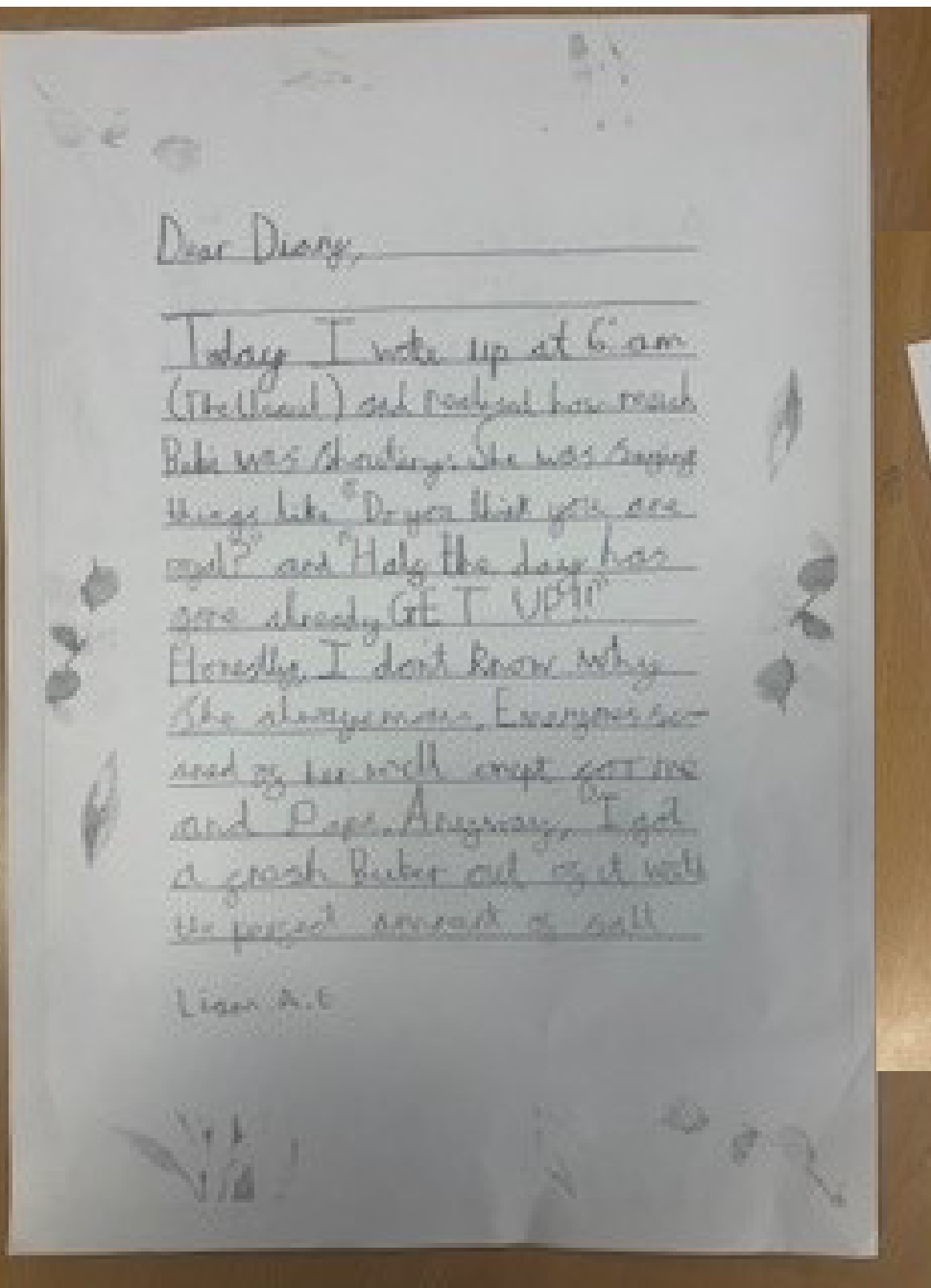
- **9th June** - Reddam House 'Raise Your Voice' Music Event

WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...

Year 4 - Hedgehog



This half term, Year 4 have been reading 'Berani.' It's a wonder story set in Indonesia. The children wrote a diary entry based on a character from the story using imaginative and creative language. We also started learning how to play the Dood in Music. We will keep you posted on our progress!



Class Reminders

- Don't forget we have swimming on Fridays!

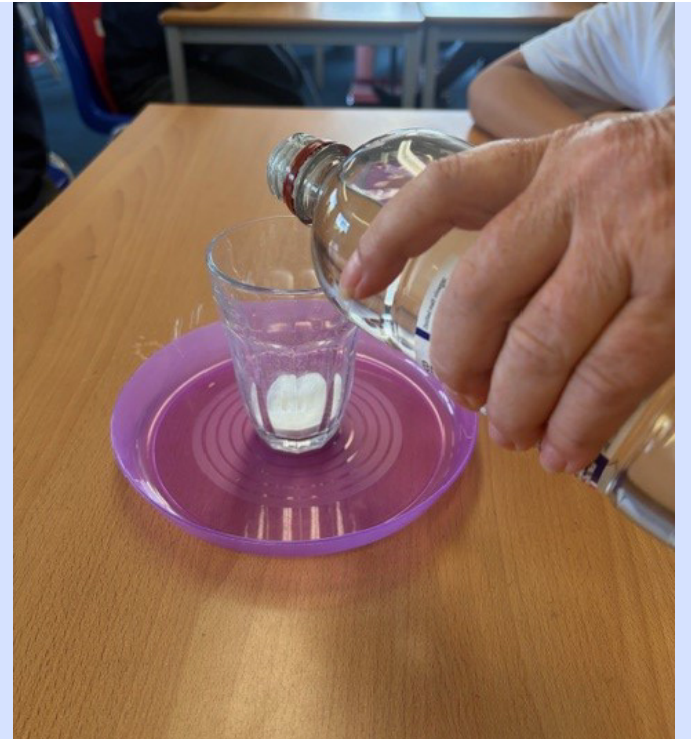
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Year 5



In Year 5 this week we learnt about chemical changes, we talked about a variety of chemical changes including making toast and baking a cake. We then conducted our own chemical experiment by mixing bicarbonate of soda and vinegar together which caused an effervescent reaction. This is an irreversible change as you cannot apply a process to separate the original parts. Thank you for sending in items for our collaged sculptures, we began making them this week and you can take a journey around the world to the famous landmarks in progress in Badger classroom!



WEEKLY CLASS UPDATES...



Year 6



This week in year 6, we have been working hard practising our maypole dance. It's been lovely to get out in the sunshine, move around, listen to some music and try a new maypole dance lots of us didn't try last year. We hope you're looking forward to coming along and watching us perform our dances at the end of the term!



Class reminders

- Monday 22nd June - Friday 26th June - Year 6 Residential

OFFICE NOTICES



A huge **thank you** to Mr Jacob who kindly donated two cocoon chair pods for our Nurture room. Watch this space for more information!

Bank Holiday Weekend

Just a reminder that Monday is a bank holiday. Children are to return **Tuesday 5th May**. We hope you all have a lovely long weekend.



Class Photos will be on **Tuesday 19th May**. Children will need to be in full uniform on the day. No PE Kits please. Thank you



We have noticed an increase in girls wearing cycling shorts and leggings. Please note they are not permitted, children are to wear Navy shorts or Navy Jogging bottoms with their PE tops. Please do take a look at our uniform requirements on our website:

https://www.bearwood-pri.wokingham.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/608145