

Newsletter 28 – Summer 1



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Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	School Events	International Events
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Advanced Notice:	WC 9.6.25 – Phonics Screening Check. Please ensure your child is in school every day during this period. Tuesday 24 th June 12.40pm – 3.00pm – Reception's Inspire Afternoon	
Polite Notice:	Please note the school office opens at 8.30am each morning and is manned until 4.30pm. Before and after these times, there will be no access to the Main Reception area.	

We are Brilliant Winners

KS2: 3A Paisley, Alex B (3B) Evalyn (4B)

The Hubs

National Numeracy Day

In celebration of this year's National Numeracy Day, the children have taken part in an exciting Magic Story Box activity. As we have been exploring money in maths, we thought that a trip to a 'shop' would be a great way to practise our counting and exchanging skills. It was great fun and the children came back with lots of treats!



Nursery

This week we been looking after TEN chicks. Throughout the week we ensured the chicks had enough food and water. At the end of the week we had a special visitor! We had a visit from farmer Dave. He brought four calves and a tractor!



Reception

This week in our magic story box sessions, we met a boy called George who loves to explore the outdoors and wants to be a master bug collector. We helped George by going on our own mini beast scavenger hunt around the school grounds. We made tally marks to show the different mini beasts we had found. We have also enjoyed singing lots of mini beast songs such as incy wincy spider and there's a worm at the bottom of the garden. At the end of the week, we helped to create a bug habitat in our nature spot outdoor.



Year 1

This week, we have been doing lots of work on the story 'The Something' By Rebecca Cobb. We looked at props to give us clues about the story, and our teachers took on the role of a character, so that we could ask the character lots of questions. To further enhance our learning, we have also engaged in drama activities such as acting out the story in a strategy we call the 'story stick'.



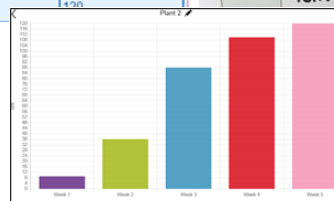
Year 2

This week, we have looked at the results of our experiment that we set up at the beginning of the half term. We have concluded that the plants needed a little bit of water each day. The plant with no water died and the plant with lots of water did grow but it didn't look very healthy. We put this information onto a graph using Purple Mash.



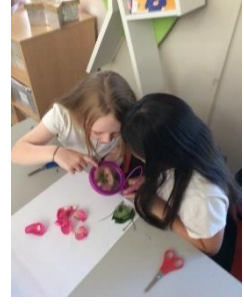
Plant 2	cm
Week 1	9
Week 2	36
Week 3	88
Week 4	110
Week 5	120

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Plant 1	9cm	16cm	17cm	15cm	7cm
Plant 2	9cm	36cm	88cm	110cm	120cm
Plant 3	9cm	15cm	18cm	21cm	20cm



Year 3

In science, we have been learning all about the parts of a flower so we very carefully dissected a rose.



Year 4

Today, we created a simple circuit and then challenged ourselves to make our own switches. We did this using cardboard and pins. We folded the cardboard to make the pins touch. When they touched the bulb lit up and when they weren't touching it switched off.



Year 5

We tried some experiments to see what it would be like if we were older. We had to wear plastic around our hands and try to write, wrap bandages around of knees and bend down, wear glasses which were blurry and wear ear defenders and see what it might be like to hear.



Year 6

This week, Year 6 began their Field to Fork project. This engaging initiative will give pupils the chance to explore where food comes from, design their own food products and learn about a variety of careers linked to the food industry. As part of this project, they visited Wimboldsley Grange Farm on Wednesday. Pupils had a brilliant time learning how the farm operates, the types of food produced there and the various careers available in agriculture. They visited the milking parlour, explored locally grown wheat and even got to sit in all of the tractors!



Art News

Focus on Year 6

Some of our Year 6s have been giving up their time again to help us with the line work and details on our Big Mugs mural. It is a slow process, but we are progressing! Well done Jiaxin, Nelly and Pagan this week!



Performing Arts News

Crewe Out Loud

On Saturday many of our children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 came to perform at Cheshire College South and West for Crewe Out Loud! We displayed artwork in the cafeteria area as well as by the outside stage and our Djembefola drumming group did us proud, as did our choir group! If you would like to see our Djembefola group perform, please click the link below!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ChRvy9MmhSg>

Soon we will post a video of the children singing too – it just needs a little editing! If parents have any footage of children singing they would like to share, please email them to Mrs Walsh at lwalsh@wistastonacademytrust.co.uk or send videos to that address using WeTransfer. Well done everyone!







PE News

Sports Day 2025

Our annual sports day took place today and what a fantastic day it was! Children competed in many races including the sprint, bean bag, sack, egg and spoon, and relay. The children ran their races brilliantly and had so much fun whilst doing it. Our overall winners this year were **Belgium**.

	Switzerland	Belgium	Wales	Italy
KS1	88	74	88	87
KS2	197	213	121	151
Total	285	287	209	238







Well done children and thank you to our fantastic parents and carers for your continued support!

Picture News

Every week in assembly we share the Picture News image and question with the children. This resource helps children to learn about the world around us, whilst linking to British Values and supporting pupil's personal development.

We hope this enables you to have an interesting conversation at home with your child.

TAKEHOME

19th - 25th May



Can donating something important be a powerful way to show you care?



In the news this week

A vehicle once used by Pope Francis to wave and greet people—called a popemobile—is being turned into a mobile health clinic for children in Gaza. Pope Francis, who recently passed away, was the head of the Catholic Church and often spoke about helping others. One of his final wishes was to help children affected by the conflict in Gaza. The vehicle will be refitted with medical equipment, as found in ambulances, so it can be used to aid children in areas where hospitals may be hard to reach. The project aims to deliver essential medical care to those who need it.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > What is your opinion of Pope Francis' decision to donate the popemobile? Why do you believe he decided to do this? Ask someone at home about their thoughts.
- > Have you ever donated something? Could it be harder to donate something that's important to you?
- > Can you think of examples of different times when people might donate items to help others?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss



Maths News

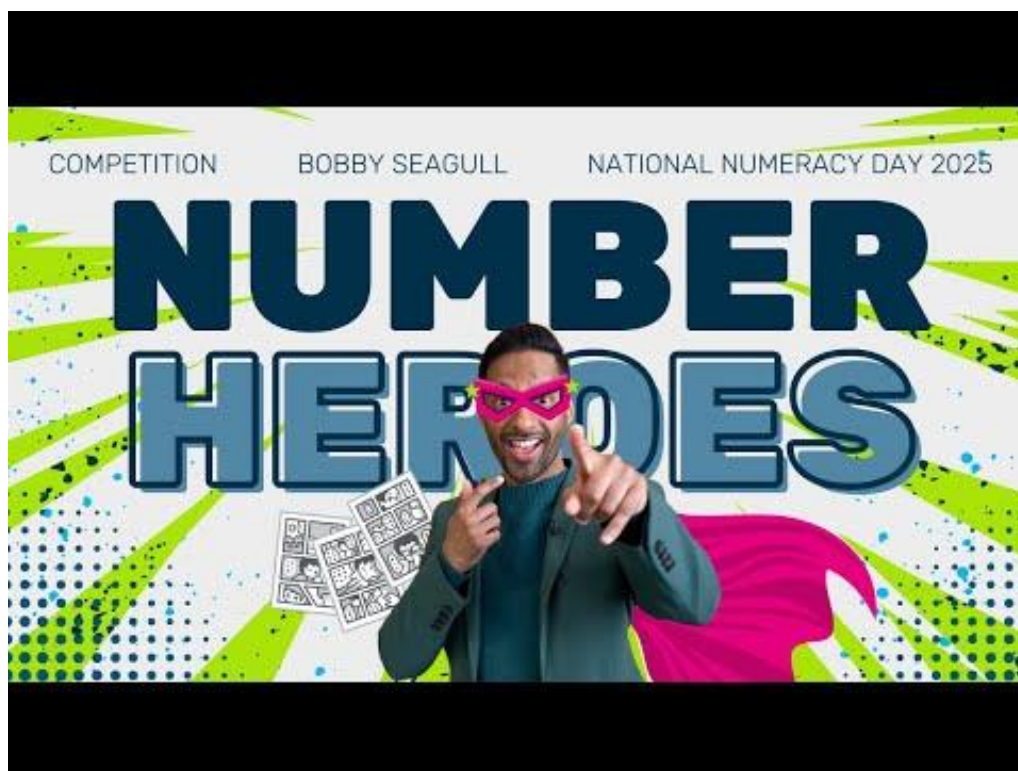
Fancy winning a **£50 gift voucher**!? Take part in the **Number Heroes competition**.

When you grow up, how will you use numbers in your life? Maybe you would love to be a firefighter, fashion designer, or footballer? Or do you see yourself as a scientist or a secret agent? Let your imagination run wild, and **create a picture of how you will use numbers in your dream job or hobby**.

You can draw, paint, collage, use a computer, or use any other way you'd like to create your picture!

Prize categories are for: EYFS, KS1, LKS2, UKS2 and SEND/EHCP

Give your picture to Mrs Martin by **2nd June**. Find out more: <https://youtu.be/imcKqcn4Gyw>



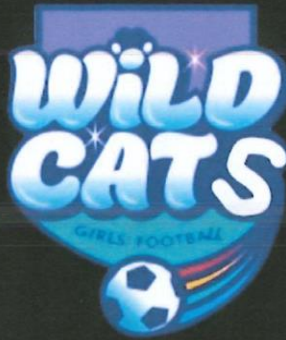
TTRS and Numbots

All children from Reception onwards will have access to an app called **Numbots**. If your child is in Year 2 and above, they will also have access to an app called **Times Table Rocks Stars (TTRS)**.

Logging on for just a few minutes each day will make a massive difference to their basic number/times tables skills.

Check out the dedicated TTRS website for parents to answer any questions

<https://trockstars.com/parents/>



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Are you a tenant with the Guinness Partnership? Katie Gilmore, Customer Liaison Officer, will be holding 2 drop in sessions at the school on the following dates,

19th June 9am-10am

11th September 9am-10am

23rd October 9am-10am

5th December 9am-10am

No appointment needed. You can just drop in to discuss any queries you have regarding your tenancy, rent, support requirements, ASB problems.

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