

## Safe, Ready and Respectful



Be Kind



Keep Improving



Never Give Up

**Sight awareness assembly:** Last week, the children had an enlightening assembly where they found out how a blind person navigates the world. They were shown gadgets and gizmos that assist blind people in their daily lives. This included meta glasses that describe to the wearer exactly what is in front of them. Two of the children were delighted to have a go wearing them.



**New Intake:** Last week we invited the new Nursery and Reception children and parents in for a visit. The teachers introduced themselves and gave some key information. It was lovely to welcome the parents into the school community and see the children starting to get to know the environment.



**Sports Events.** The weather seems to be against us and a number of sporting events have been postponed. The tri golf has been re-arranged for next Wednesday and hopefully will be able to go ahead.

**Communication with the school community.** I have had a number of recent discussions about how we can involve parents more in decisions. We already have parental representation on the governing body and this is vital for ensuring parental viewpoints are brought into strategic plans. There will be a position for a new parent governor from September so I urge anyone able to commit to supporting the school in this way to consider this - please speak to me or one of the parent governors for more information. In the Autumn term I tried coffee afternoons but wonder if the timing was not right as we had very low attendance. Please let me know if there are better times in the day or evenings that work for more of you. I am also wondering about a parent forum where we would have representatives from each class and have a more formal approach to consultation and communication. If you have thoughts or views please send them in. Also, I am usually around at the Welwyn gate in the morning and available for a quick catch up with any parents.

Have a great Friday  
and Weekend,  
KJeremy Fisher



| Type of query                                                               | Member of staff to contact                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Safeguarding/child protection                                               | Mr Fisher, Mrs Cracknell, Mrs Poole and Mrs Richardson                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Any issues relating to your child or another child in the class             | Email admin to arrange a meeting, sometimes a phase leader may join this meeting                                                                                                                                               |
| If you do not feel the issue has been resolved or you may need more advice. | <p><b>Step 1</b> Phase Leader</p> <p>EYFS-Miss White<br/>Year 1 - 3- Mrs Christman<br/>Yea 4 - 6 -Mr Chandler</p> <p><b>Step 2</b> Deputy Headteacher<br/>Mrs Hannah Cracknell</p> <p><b>Step 3</b> Headteacher- Mr Fisher</p> |
| Inclusion/ Special Educational Needs                                        | Mrs Smail                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Looked After and Previously Looked After Children                           | Mrs Cracknell                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Payments/Finance                                                            | Miss Byrne<br>Mrs Tilbury                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Admissions                                                                  | Miss Byrne                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Complaints                                                                  | Please refer to school complaints policy on the <u>website</u> .                                                                                                                                                               |

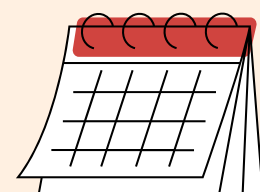
# Upcoming Events 2026

| June          |                                        |
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| Friday 12th   | Inset day - school closed              |
| Monday 15th   | Y5 - Wodson games                      |
| Thursday 18th | Y6 Crucial crew at Morgans             |
| Friday 19th   | Inline skating day - Year 5 and 6 only |
| Friday 26th   | Sports day AM - All years              |

| July                      |                                |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Wednesday 8th             | EYFS visit to Standalone Farm  |
| Thursday 9th              | Transition day                 |
| Friday 10th               | Fun day - all years            |
| Friday 17th               | Tales together 8:40 am         |
| Monday 20th               | Year 6 leavers assembly 9am    |
| Monday 20th               | Year 6 leavers party 6.30 -8pm |
| Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>  | End of term 1:15 pm finish     |
| Wenesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Inset day - School closed      |
| Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Inset day - School closed      |

| September                |                           |
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| Tuesday 1st              | Inset day - school closed |
| Wednesday 2nd            | Inset day - school closed |
| Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Children return           |

| October                               |                      |
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| Friday 23rd                           | Last day of Autumn 1 |
| Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 30th | Half term            |
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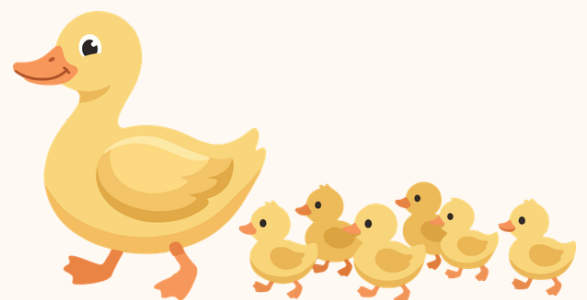
# Nursery



Nursery have been very busy learning how to join and attach a variety of materials together. I hope you have enjoyed all the creations that have come home!

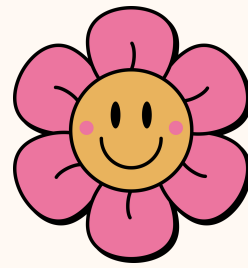
We have been thinking about the number 5 and have loved performing 5 little ducks and 5 speckled frogs! We have also been creating our own patterns to make a blanket for Miss Polly's Dolly.

We have begun to talk about Reception and what this might be like. The children are very excited about their next step!





# Year 1



Hope you all had a wonderful and relaxing half term! We have had an brilliant start to the new term involving lots of new learning. For English, we have been learning about how to describe characters and then applying this to making our own sock puppets. For Maths, we have been looking at recognising coins and notes. In Geography, we have been learning about capital cities and famous landmarks within London. In PE, we have been working on our team building skills. In Science, we have been scientists by exploring different ideas. In computing, we have been using Scratch JR and creating our own programmes.



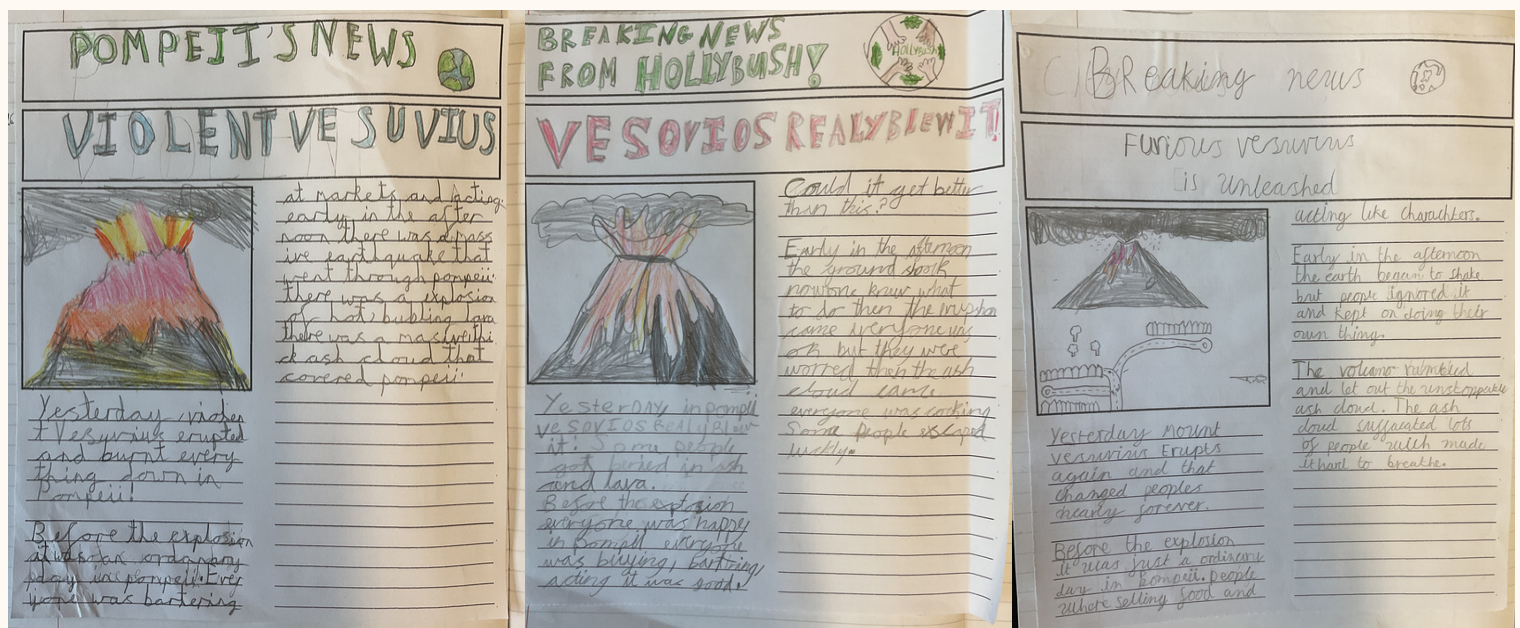
# Year 3

Year 3 have stepped into the shoes of real journalists this week as they began writing their own newspaper articles to report on the dramatic events of Pompeii. They have explored what makes an effective news report, including headlines, factual recounts, and eyewitness accounts.

They used the story 'Escape from Pompeii', gathered key details, and organised the sequence of events to ensure their writing was clear, informative, and full of impact. Many pupils added powerful descriptions and reporter-style language to bring the moment to life for their readers.

The children enjoyed drafting their articles, imagining the chaos, ash clouds, and sudden darkness that fell over Pompeii. Their finished reports show impressive understanding of both the historical event and the features of newspaper writing.

Year 3 should feel incredibly proud of their work, their articles capture the drama of Pompeii with confidence and creativity.



# Year 5

Welcome Back to the Final Few Weeks of Year 5!

We hope everyone had a wonderful and relaxing half-term break and is feeling refreshed for the exciting weeks ahead. It is hard to believe that we are now in the final half term of Year 5!

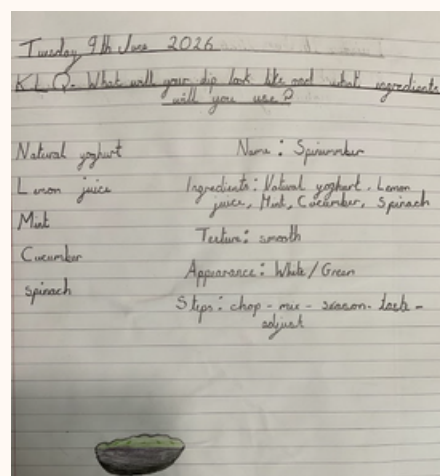
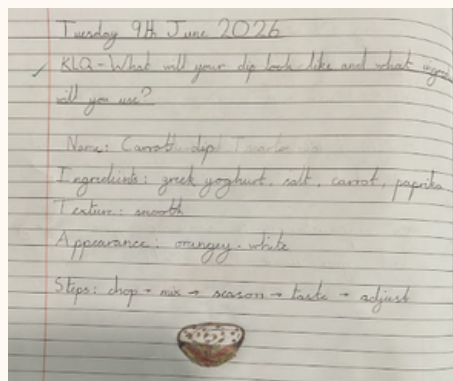
This term will be a busy and enjoyable one, filled with exciting learning opportunities and memorable experiences as we begin preparing for the transition to Year 6. We are looking forward to seeing the children continue to develop their confidence, independence and resilience as they take on new challenges.

In science, the children are learning about Friction. It was surprising how aware they were about how evident within our environment friction is. During their investigations, they used a variety of surfaces to find out how friction impacts the movement of a car down a slope. Here are some examples of the children choosing their surface to investigate.



In DT, the children have been exploring a variety of dips, carefully evaluating their appearance, taste and texture. They used their senses to compare different flavours and discuss what makes a successful dip. This week, the children have designed their own unique dip recipes, which they will be making and tasting in the coming weeks.

Next week, they will be developing their bread-making skills by creating flatbreads, which they will later enjoy alongside their homemade dips. We are looking forward to seeing their creative ideas come to life!

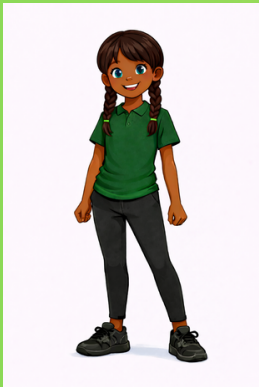


# Uniform from September 2026

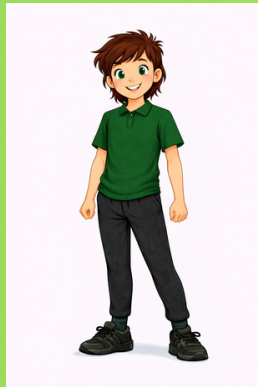
Our new smart active wear can be worn by all children from September 2026  
This will become compulsory from 12<sup>th</sup> April 2027

All years

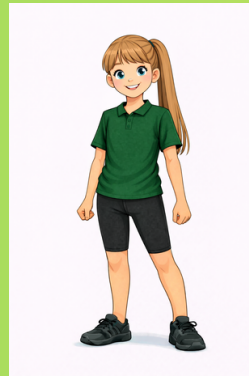
A bottle green polo top can be worn with either:



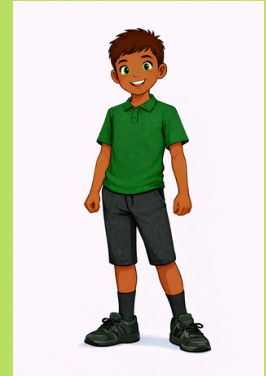
Black leggings



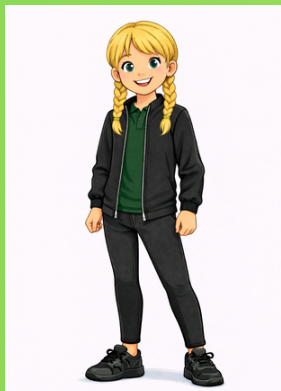
Black joggers



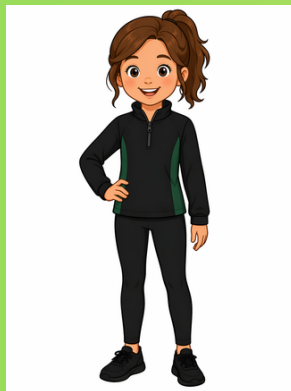
Black cycle shorts  
Must be to just  
above the knee



Black jersey shorts



Black fleece zip up  
No hood



Quarter zip black  
jumper with green  
panels and school  
logo (only available  
at kids connection)

Years 1 - 6 only



Green and white checked  
summer dress - not to be  
worn with tights. Shorts  
must be worn underneath.

April to October half term  
only.

A bottle green knitted style  
cardigan can be worn with  
the summer dress.