



TEAGUES BRIDGE PRIMARY

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Friday's Newsletter

27th September 2024



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Dear Parents and Carers,

REMINDERS:

There is a new uniform policy that will be sent out to you once it has been approved by governors.

Just a reminder about school uniform. All children should be wearing school uniform and the school PE kit. Children should not be wearing trainers, black shoes only. Skirts and dresses should be no higher than just above the knee. The same message applies to all staff, we also have a dress code and they have also been reminded about this.

BRING YOUR TEDDY TO LUNCH:

October 3rd is bring your teddy to lunch day. We are inviting the children to bring their favourite cuddly toy/teddy into school for the day and take them to lunch, in the hope that we can encourage more children to have a hot dinner. We look forward to seeing all your teddy bears.

READING:

Can I remind all parents about the importance of reading at home and the importance of reading stories to children. If you are reading with your children at home, please record this in their reading diary. We learn so much through books.

ATTENDANCE:

We are working hard in school to promote attendance and the importance of being in school and ready to learn. Please ensure you always contact the school administrator, Mrs Johnson if your child cannot attend school.

DANCE CLASSES:

After half term we will be offering a dance after school club on a Tuesday. There will be a cost as we have bought someone in to deliver this. More details to follow next week.

Have a great Weekend ~ Mrs S. Abdulla

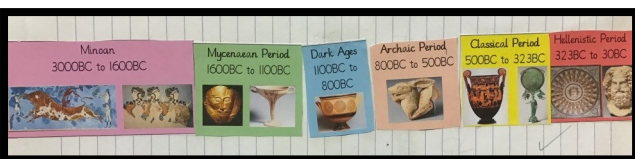
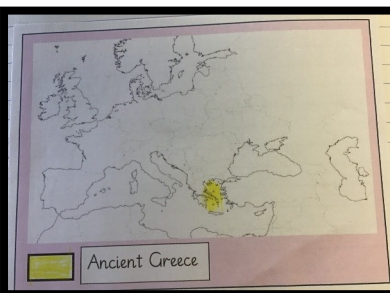


This week in Base 5...



Workshops - Tennis and Computing

Last week we had a tennis coach come in and help us try our hand at some tennis. The class had an amazing time and there are open sessions on the 12th October at the Telford Tennis Centre in Wrockwardine Wood for those who enjoyed it and would like some coaching. This week we enjoyed a computing session from Mr Smith to help us further understand coding in Scratch. We used it to make a scene from Ancient Greece. If you would like to see what we worked on or try it out at home scan the QR code.

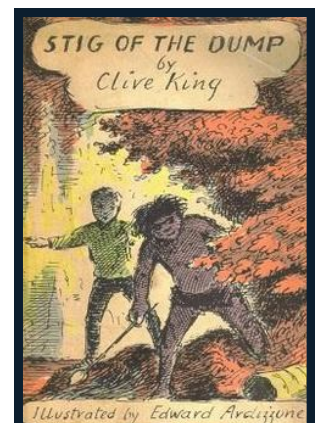


History

We have been looking at the Ancient Greeks. We have been focusing on the timeline, location and the two city states of Athens and Sparta. We have looked at the patterns they made on pottery and designed some of our own.

Love 2 Read

We are reading *Stig of the Dump* for our Love 2 Read focus this half term. We are currently on chapter 4 and enjoying the friendship of Stig and Barney. We read aloud and answer questions on all aspects of the book and we are working on developing our answers to show where we found our answers from in the text.



PSHE

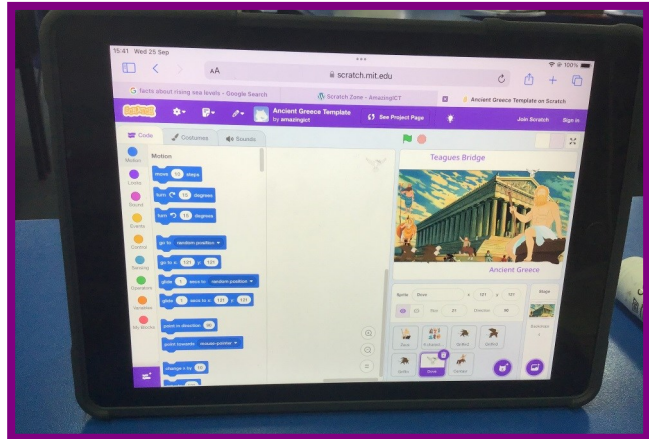
We have talking about what our hopes are for this year. We talked about things we would like to happen now the children are in Base 5 and what they would like to achieve by the end of the year. It seems many are looking forward to improving their swimming skills in the summer term! Ask your child about their medal they took home to remember what they are hoping to achieve this year.



This week in Swordfish.....

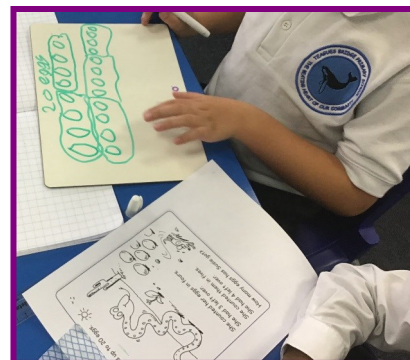
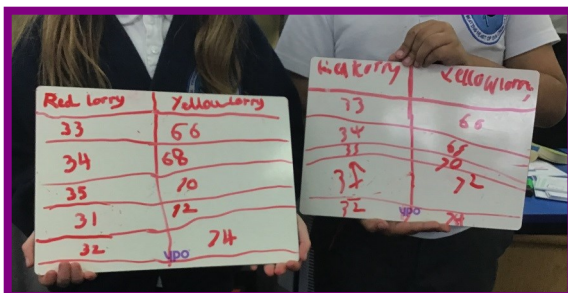
Another action packed and fun filled couple of weeks in Swordfish.....

We enjoyed an exciting session with Mr Smith from Amazing ICT. During the workshop, we were introduced to Scratch using an Ancient Greek template. We learnt how to alter the direction and variables of sprites, add other Greek characters such as Zeus and Griffins as well as edit the background. Here are some images of the work we created during the workshop.....



We have enjoyed learning about our new genre in English: Greek myths! Throughout our lessons, we have delved into several stories including *The Wrekin Giant* and *Jason and the Golden Fleece*. This week the children have been working hard on their character descriptions of a mythical dragon and brave hero, using similes and metaphors to bring their writing to life. There have been some very impressive descriptions that have created a fantastic image in the reader's mind.

In maths, we completed a problem-solving lesson focused on finding all possibilities. In groups, the children worked systematically exploring every possible answers to and recording their results. The children were enthusiastic as they eagerly discovered each solution and explained their methods of working them out. Here are some examples of their many answers and workings out.



In science, we have continued exploring electricity by building our own circuits. Last week, we predicted whether certain circuits would work or not and then tested them out. Then, this week we conducted an experiment to see whether certain materials are electrical conductors or electrical insulators.



This week in Belugas...

Literacy

This week in Literacy we have looked at deforestation, for what purposes trees are being chopped down and the impact it is having on biodiversity. The children have been considering both sides of the arguments and will be presenting their ideas as part of a class debate using persuasive language to change others views.

Maths:

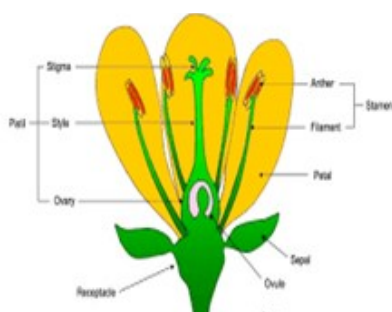
In Maths we have been using rounding to consolidate our place value knowledge as well as comparing, and ordering numbers up to 1 million. We will be moving on to Addition and Subtraction over the next 2 weeks so any practise at home will be extremely beneficial.

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Science

This week in Science we have been looking at life cycles of plants, animal and humans. We have learnt about mammals and the way different animals look after their young. We have also learned about flower pollination and practised sketching flowers in our sketch books.

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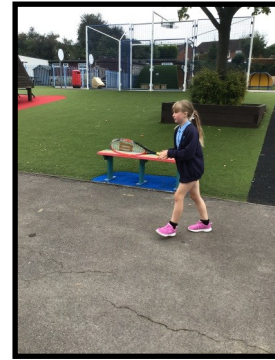




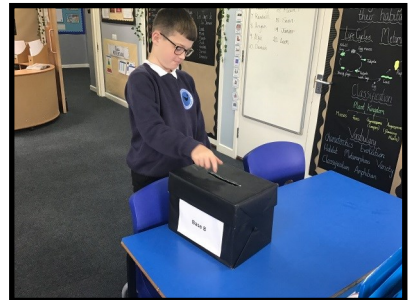
This week in Octopi...

Another great couple of weeks here in Octopi Class...

The children have enjoyed a workshop with Telford Tennis Centre where they learnt how to do tap up bounces, flip the racket round and mini rallies. As a class we had fun practising and developing our skills and learning new tricks too!



During the past week the children have been campaigning to be members of school parliament. The children have made rosettes, posters and made a speech to share their manifesto and encourage other children from the class to vote for them. Once everyone had then shared their ideas in front of the class, the children were given ballot papers and the chance to vote. Votes were then cast and after a very close call, our new school parliament representatives are Koen and Mason T- congratulations to you both and a huge well done to all candidates for having the confidence and enthusiasm to take part.



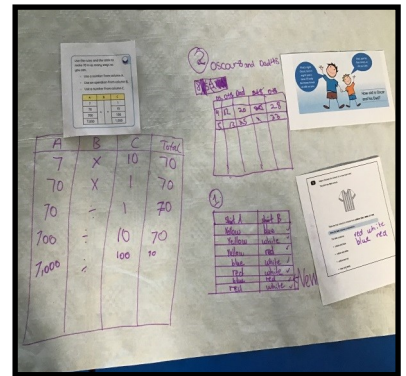
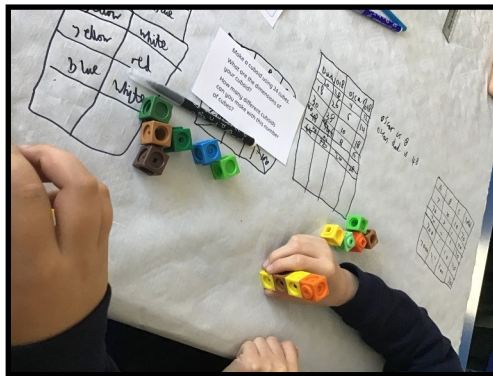
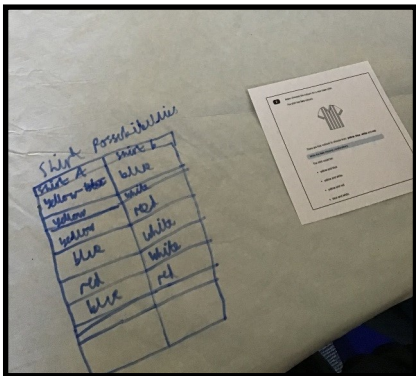
During this week we have celebrated European Languages Day. We enjoyed celebrating the day by spending some time playing some traditional French games including Jaques et Dit, Éscargo, La Barbichette, Pétanque and un, deux, trois, Solie! The children enjoyed learning some new games and vocabulary and especially liked our adapted version of La Barbichette 'The goatee' where the children held their chins and had a go at saying 'La Barbichette' in a funny voice whilst trying to keep a straight face. The first one to laugh was out.



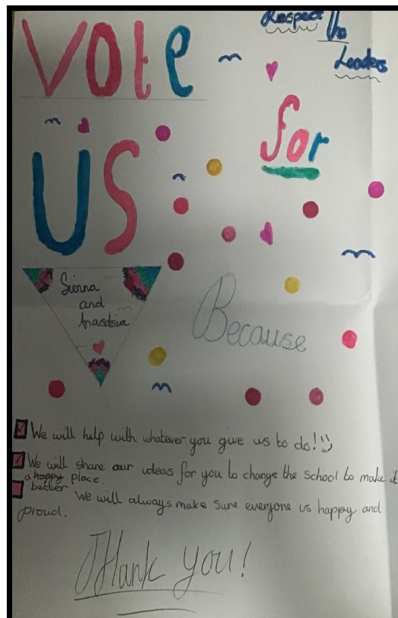
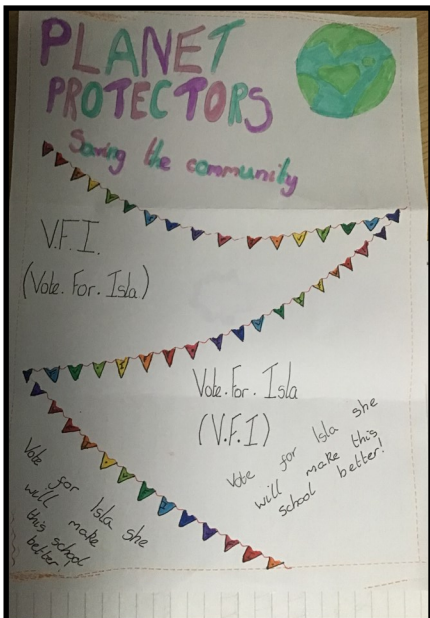


This week in Sharks

Over the last two weeks we have been working hard in all our lessons. In maths we have finished our place value unit and moved onto calculating using the 4 operations. As part of our development of problem solving we carried out different investigations focused on Finding All Possibilities. We worked systematically: analysing the rules and then finding specialist cases to fit the general rule. ...



In PSHE, we have all been busy on the campaign trail, promoting our parties for the upcoming school parliament elections. We have written a manifesto as well as producing a rosette and posters to promote our parties. Here are a couple of examples:



In Geography, We started our topic by taking part in our memorable experience. We talked about what features our favourite biome would have before designing our own Biome on the Ipads. We have now moved onto recapping our knowledge of the worlds continents and oceans before describing locations using latitude and longitude lines.

Homework of the week award

We have introduced a new award for Friday's award assembly.

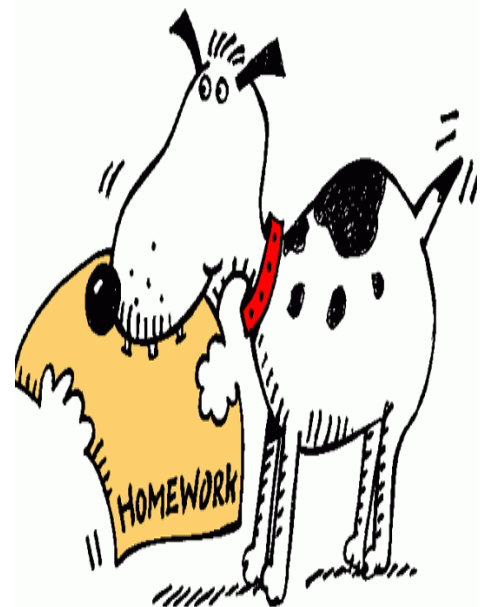
This is in recognition of the fabulous homework most of our children produce. It is also to show the importance of doing homework.

We need to ensure that children are equipped to be able to complete homework, as a school we are looking at our homework offer and adapting it to meet the needs of the children.

The most important homework your child can complete is reading, this opens the doors to all other learning in school and in life.

Each Base has nominated two children for this week's homework of the week award

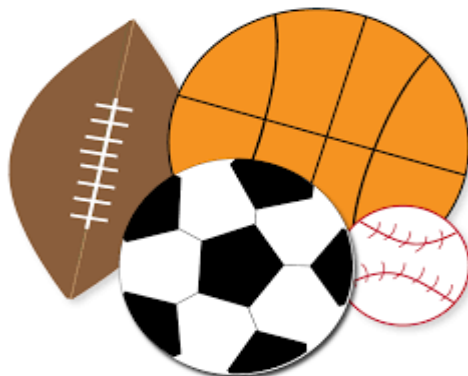
Turtles	Yuvraj	Hope
Starfish	Roman	Noah
Seahorses	Jaipreet	Eric
Dolphins	Harnoor	Enzo
Seals	Leon	Matilda
Swordfish	Essa	Phoebe
Beluga's	Logan	Leo
Octopi	Koen	Clim
Sharks	James	Anastasia



Star Player of the week award

On Monday, Thursday and Friday, all children have PE. This is delivered by the Crossbar coach. The coaches have recently introduced star player of the week from each base. This is because of the effort they make and the sportsmanship they show. Please see the children chosen for 'Star Player of the week' award this week.

Turtles	Archie
Starfish	Lilly
Seahorses	Aikya
Dolphins	Aria
Seals	Jazmine
Swordfish	Jax
Beluga's	James
Octopi	Darwin
Sharks	James



Friday Awards

Our Awards Assembly takes place on a Friday via Microsoft Teams. Children were awarded with their certificates in class. Please see below a list of the children who have received awards this week.

Base	Star of the week	Worker of the week	Whale Rules Champion	Respectful Rangers	Handwriting Heroes	Punctual Panda	Best attendance
1	Rory	Daria Matei	Archie Sadan	Antoni Artemis	Nicholas	Heidi	Savannah -Grace
2	Marnie	Logan Molly	Lottie Damian	Ellie Esmae	Mathias	Amelia	Ethan
3	Iris	Iyla Oscar	Clark Aniya	Paisley Sienna	Cooper	Ashton	Oliver
4	Jacob	Sohaib Maya	Chloe Tymo	George Olivia	Sophie	Arnesh	Layla
5	Lillian	Alaya Elizabeth	Jaxson Luna	Poppy Dexter	Sophie	Thiago	Kevin
6	Koray	Harry Erin	Indi-Rae Harrison	Karla Jared	Tymon	Maya	Olivia
7	Rosie	Jairaj Jessica	Keerat Erin	Lilly Leo	Annabelle	Freya	Blake
8	Nikola	Luke F Kyra-Mai	Emily Aryan	Tillie Natalia	Louie	Audrey	Jayden
9	Evelyn	Amara Michel	Sufyan Kacey	Evie Isabella	Dominic	Isla	Lexi

Best class attendance this week:

KSI - Starfish - 98% - FANTASTIC

KS2 - Swordfish - 97% - SUPER



Picture News

TAKE HOME

30th September
- 6th October



In the news this week

Book publishing company, Penguin Random House UK, has revealed a new book vending machine at Linlithgow Academy, near Edinburgh, Scotland. The machine gives the pupils access to more than seventy different books from Penguin's 'Lit in Colour' reading lists. The reading lists, set up around four years ago, are updated each year and aim to make works by writers of colour more visible and accessible in schools.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Would you like to see a book vending machine in school? Do you think it would be popular?
- What types of books do you like to read, and who are some of your favourite authors? Ask others at home about their reading preferences.
- Do you feel it's important to know about the author of a book you read? Is it important to you to read books by authors from different backgrounds and with different experiences? What do others at home think?

Penguin Random House UK, Colin Wright

How important is it to know about the author behind the book?



Penguin Random House UK, Colin Wright

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Dates for the Diary ~ Autumn term 2024

Dates	Event	Who
SEPTEMBER		
9.9	ICT morning	Base 8 and 9
16.9	ICT morning	Base 7 and 6
20.9	National Fitness Day	Whole School
26.9	School Parliament elections	Whole School
23.9	ICT morning	Base 5 and 4
26.9	European languages Day	Whole School
30.9	ICT morning	Base 2 and 3
OCTOBER		
1.10	Safeguarding assembly ~ meet the DSL's	KS2
2.10	Safeguarding assembly ~ meet the DSL's	KS1
2.10	Individual Photographs	Whole School
4.10	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 1
7.10	Black History Month	Whole School
7.10	ICT morning	Base 9 and 1
4.10-10.10	World Space Week	Whole School
9.10	SAS crew assembly ~ Keeping ourselves safe	Everyone
10.10	World Mental Health Day	Whole School
10.10	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 2
11.10	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 3
14.10	ICT morning	Base 7 and 8
16.10	Harvest Festival	Whole School (no parents)
17.10	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 4
21.10	Sponsored Marathon	Whole school
21.10	ICT morning	Base 5 and 6
22.10	Flu Vaccinations	Whole School
23.10	Be bright be seen	Base 5 and 6
25.10	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 5
25.10	Break-up for Half Term	Whole School
NOVEMBER		
4.11	PD Day	Teachers only in school
5.11	Return to school	Whole school
5.11	Remembrance whole school theme week	Whole School
5.11	Bonfire night themed lunch	Whole school
8.11	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 6
11.11	ICT morning	Base 3 and 4
11.11	Anti-bullying week	Whole School
15.11	Children in need ~ Dress up day	Whole School
15.11	Children in need special lunch	Whole School
18.11	ICT morning	Base 1 and 2
22.11	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 7

25.11	ICT morning	Base 8 and 9
26.11	SAS Crew stranger danger assembly	Everyone
29.11	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 8
DECEMBER		
2.12	Tomte whole school winter theme	Whole school
2.12	ICT morning	Base 6 and 7
2.12	Arthog residential	Year 6 children
2.12	Assessment week	Whole school
6.12	Arthog outreach	Year 6 not at Arthog
9.12	Christmas in Church	Base 1, 2 and 3
9.30-10.00		Parents invited
9.12	ICT morning	Base 4 and 5
10.12	Christmas in Church	Base 4 and 5
9.30-10.00		Parents invited
11.12	Christmas in Church	Base 6, 7 and 8
9.30-10.00		Parents invited
13.12	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School
13.12	Open afternoon for parents 2.30-3.00	Base 9
16.12	Debating Society	EYFS/KS1 ~ 9.00-10.00 KS2 ~ 10.30-11.30
16.12	ICT morning	Base 2 and 3
16.12	Parent's consultation - Via TEAMS If you cannot access TEAMS please request a face-to-face appointment (these will be limited)	Parent's
3.30-7.00		
17.12	Consultation Via TEAMS	Parent's
3.30-5.00		
18.12	Christmas Lunch	Whole School
19.12	Theatre group	Whole School
20.12	Break-up for Christmas	Whole School
JANUARY		
6.1.25	PD day	Teachers
7.1.25	Children return	Whole School
7.1.25	Take one picture theme week	Whole School
17.1	World religion day	Whole School
20.1	Martin Luther King day	Everyone
24.1	Open afternoon for parents ~ 2.30-3.00	Base 1
29.1	Chinese New Year	Everyone
30.1	National Story Telling week	Whole school
30.1	Open afternoon for parents	Base 2
31.1	Open afternoon for parents	Base 3
FEBRUARY		
6.2	Open afternoon for parents	Base 4
6.2	Time to talk day	Everyone
11.2	Safer Internet Day	Everyone
14.2	Open afternoon for parents	Base 5
14.2	Break up	Everyone
24.2	Children return to school	Everyone

26.2	Tell a fairy tale day ~ Dress up as a fairy tale character	Everyone
MARCH		
6.3	World book day ~ dress up as your favourite word	Everyone
7.3-16.3	British Science week	Everyone
7.3	Open afternoon for parents	Base 6
14.3	Open afternoon for parents	Base 7
14.3	Red nose day	Everyone
17.3	Assessment week	Everyone
18.3	Konflux theatre	KS1
19.3	Konflux theatre	KS2
21.3	World poetry day	Everyone
21.3	Open afternoon for parents	Base 8
28.3	Open afternoon for parents	Base 9
31.3	Easter open week	Parents to visit classes
APRIL		
7.4	Parents consultation ~ 3.30-7.00	Parents
7.4	Debating society	KS1 KS2
8.4	Parents consultation ~ 3.30-5.00	Parents
11.4	Easter Egg Competition	Everyone
11.4	Break up for Easter	Everyone
28.4	Return to school	Children
MAY		
12.5	SATS	Year 6
19.5	Walk to school week Sponsored walk	Everyone
21.5	National Numeracy Day	Everyone
23.5	Break-up	Everyone
JUNE		
2.6	PD day	Teachers
3.6	Return to school	Children
3.6	Multiplication Check	Year 4
9.6	Phonics screening	Year 1
10.6	Music Workshops	Everyone
16.6	Sports day	EYFS/KS1 ~ 9.30-10.30 KS2 ~ 10.45-11.45
20.6	World music day ~ songs from around the world	Everyone
23.6	Assessment Week	Everyone
JULY		
2.7	Induction day 1 for New reception children Parents to meet Head ~ 9.30-10.45	Children Parent
7.7	Induction 2 ~ New reception children ~ 9.30-10.45	
7.7	Transition 1 ~ 1.30-2.45	Whole school

9.7	Induction 3 ~ New reception children ~ 9.30-10.45	Children
14.7	Transition 2 ~ 9.30-10.45	Whole school
15.7	Climbing wall and outdoor pursuits day	Whole School
16.7	Year 6 leavers assembly ~ 9.15-10.30	Parents
17.7	Reports to go home	Everyone
17.7	Leavers Trip	Year 6
18.7	Break-up	Everyone