



TEAGUES BRIDGE PRIMARY

THE BEATING HEART OF THE COMMUNITY

Science

Vocabulary: insulator, conductor, circuit, test, variables

Date: 14th October 2026

Previous learning: I already know:

- The components of a simple circuit.

Golden threads:

Research, Observe & Measure, Presenting Information,

Evaluate

Learning Outcome:

- To construct a simple circuit.

Assessment for learning: Identify the electrical symbol? (whiteboards)

Success Criteria:

By the end of today's lesson:

I will know (knowledge):

- That what a simple circuit needs to allow electricity to flow.

I can (skill):

- Identify if simple circuit will work or not.
- Build a simple circuit.
- Draw a circuit diagram of a simple circuit.

Key question: What is electricity?

Sub-question: Will this circuit work?

Item	Material	Prediction (C or I)	Conductor or Insulator
Glue stick	Plastic	I	Insulator
Book	paper	I	Insulator
Whiteboard Rubber	Plastic	I	Insulator
Scissors	metal	C	Conductor
Jumper	wool	I	Insulator ✓

Reflect on today's lesson...

Demonstrate what you have learnt today

Which materials should be used for:

5) the outside of a plug?

Plastic would be good for the outside of a plug

Insulators do not allow the flow of electricity.

Conductors allow the flow of electricity.

Aikya ~ Swordfish

16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

PARENTS

The Information You Need!

PARENTS

Could I please ask that if you need to speak to the teacher at length, you do so at the end of the day when the teacher has more time and can speak to you in private. Some teachers are finding that parents are speaking to them at length when children are dropped off, this means that they are not able to start teaching the class on time, teaching starts at 8.50am, they are not able to fully supervise the class and they are having to carry that information until a point that they can investigate or action. I realise you are busy people also but if you email a concern, the teacher can investigate and action and then speak to you at length at the end of the day. Some parents are still wanting to talk to staff at length in the morning. Many thanks for your understanding.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

In assembly we learnt about the foods we grow on farms in the UK. We listened to children talk about how the food gets from field to fork. Looking at wheat made into bread and potatoes made into chips and crisps (this got their interest). Thank-you to all those parents that donated food for our harvest festival. We are so grateful for your generosity as we are all impacted by the rising costs. The food bank was delighted by the amount of produce donated and it took some time to load this all up due to the amount. Thank-you so much!

REMINDER

- Please can you ensure that hair below shoulder length is tied up, this is to prevent headlice.
- Please ensure that children have water in their bottles and not squash, squash is not the best drink for hydration.
- Please encourage and support your child to read at home.

DATES:

22.10 ~ Base 5 open afternoon (this has changed from Friday to Thursday due to Mrs Crowe being out)

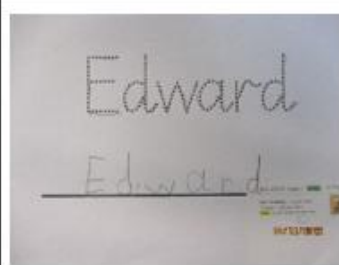
23.10 ~ Break-up for half term

2.11 ~ PD Day ~ No school for children

3.11 ~ Children return

This week in Turtles...

This week in Turtles we have been working hard to continue to settle into the new school routine and understanding and following the class rules. We have looked at still life images in Art and took part in a Black History Month workshop enjoying African dancing.



This week in maths we have been working hard to put items into size order. We sorted balls, cars and even had a teddy bears picnic where we gave the small teacup and the small plate to the small teddy and the same for the big teddy.

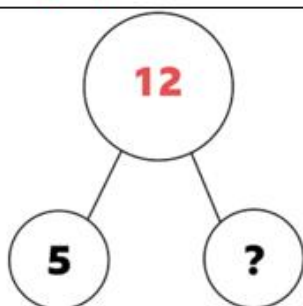


This week in literacy we have enjoyed listening to the story 'The Colours of Us' and explored and discussed the characters in the story. We have worked hard to hear initial sounds in words and have continued to practice our names.

This week in Starfish...



In literacy this week, we have been reading the story *On Sudden Hill*. We have been focusing on word types, verbs, adjectives and nouns. We have been using these in our writing and writing sentences such as 'Birt plays on the hill'. We have been ensuring to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.



In maths, we have been learning how two parts go together to make a whole number. We have found that the whole number is always the biggest and it is made up of 2 smaller parts.

For Black History month, we have been learning about Rosa Parks and Mary Seacole. We have talked about the changes in history and how we are all equal now whatever the colour of our skin.



For Space week, we enjoyed learning about the solar system and making our own rockets at open afternoon. Thank you for those of you who could join us.



This week in Seahorses...

Over the last few weeks in music, we have been improving our glockenspiel skills and following the notes G, A, G, C. We then combined this with singing the song and have finally begun rehearsing for our final performance. Some children have chosen to sing in the final performance, and some have taken on the role of playing the instrument.



For space week, the children explored the solar system that our rockets fly up into and designed a mat ready to send our little astro-bot on a mission. In computing, they then designed algorithms for the astro-bot to visit the different places and areas of space! To challenge further, we added some black holes that the astro-bot had to avoid 😊

In Art, we have been practicing our observational drawings using a continuous line. The children had to keep their pencil on the paper for 5 minutes and draw an object without lifting at all! We then practiced 'feely drawings', where their partners would place an object in their hands whilst behind their backs and the children had to draw what they felt, rather than what they could see!





African Dance Workshops



On Tuesday 13th October all classes took part in an African Dance Workshop as part of our work linked to Black History Month. All classes learnt traditional African dances and enjoyed working together.





In school we are encouraging all the children in KS2 to go onto times tables rock stars daily to practise their multiplication facts. It is crucial children know these to help them solve maths problems and complete arithmetic questions. Each week we will announce the child who has been the most active during the week.

This week's most active player is:

George ~ Belugas





READER of the MONTH



One person is nominated from each base for regularly reading at home
September 2026

Turtles	Jamie
Starfish	Aston
Seahorses	Hope
Seals	Millie
Swordfish	Theodore
Beluga's	Sophie
Octopi	Ishaan
Sharks	Maya

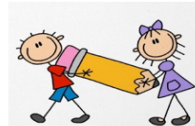


WRITER of the MONTH



One person is nominated from each base for excellent composition, grammar, and handwriting.
September 2026

Turtles	Tyler
Starfish	Luca
Seahorses	Arya
Seals	Amrita
Swordfish	Ava
Beluga's	Harry
Octopi	Harry
Sharks	Harry



Mathematician of the MONTH

One person is nominated from each base for excellent composition, grammar, and handwriting.
September 2026

Turtles	Kieran
Starfish	Marcel
Seahorses	Lottie
Seals	Eric
Swordfish	Cooper
Beluga's	Tymo
Octopi	Carter
Sharks	Sakina



Friday Awards

Our Awards Assembly takes place on a Friday 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	Behaviour Champion	Respectful Rangers	Handwriting Heroes	Punctual Panda	Best attendance
1	Sebastian	Izabella	Alaiah	Arabella	Zayne	Brodie	Milosz
2	Jack	Polly	Victoria	Szymon	Marcel	Bashir	Lilly
3	Archie	Leon	Daria	Matei	Casper	Rory	Gabriel
4	Evelyn-Grace	Lilly	Mathias	Logan	Winter	Neda	Tailyah-Rose
5	Ava	Archie	Eliza-May	Theodore	Holly	Jacob	Cooper
6	George	Gabriella	Arnesh	Maya	Harry	Jasmine	Olivia
7	Jared	Ishaan	Sophie	Erin	Poppy	Charmaine	James
8	Halimat	Essa	Ella	Freya	Ishmail	Harry	Mathias

Best class attendance this week:

KS1 ~ Seahorses ~ 99% ~ Fabulous!

KS2 ~ Seals ~ 99% ~ Super!



Homework of the week award

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

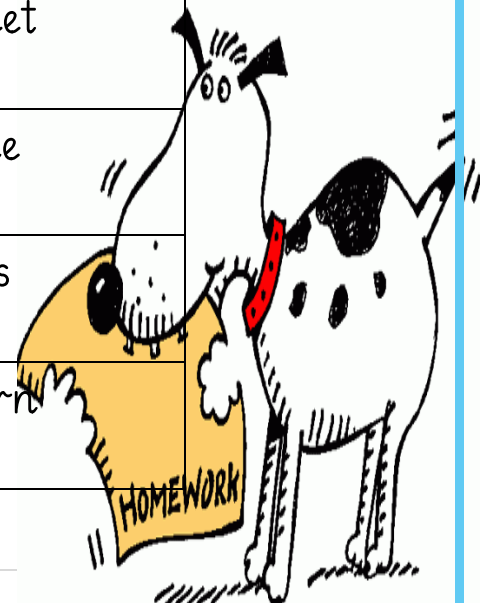
This is in recognition of the fabulous homework most of our children produce. It is also to show the importance of doing homework.

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

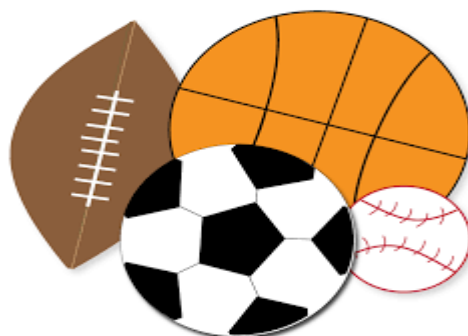
Class	Name
Turtles	Bonnie
Starfish	Eleanor
Seahorses	Antoni
Seals	Millie
Swordfish	Jaipreet
Belugas	Sophie
Octopi	Lewis
Sharks	Jaskarn



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	Milosz
Starfish	Parnika
Seahorses	Savannah-Grace
Seals	Noah
Swordfish	Brendans
Belugas	Olivia
Octopi	Carter
Sharks	Erin





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Picture News



At Home



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Eleven year old girl named Bodhana has become a chess star.



She has earned a special chess award.



Can you play a game with someone at home?



You could try chess, a board game or a card game.



What do you enjoy about the game?