School Newsletter: Friday 9th May 2025

In our classes this week…..

Nursery

This week in nursery we have been celebrating the 80th anniversary of VE Day with lots of exciting activities. We created our own medals with a variety of craft materials to design them. We also coloured in Union Jacks using red, white and blue learning about the colours of the flag. Then we celebrated by enjoying a picnic together making it a memorable fun way to remember this occasion.
We also spent time outside on a number hunt! The children searched the nursery garden looking for the hidden numbers. When we found the numbers, the children used their number recognition skills to tell us all which number they found and showed us all the amount on their fingers.

Key Stage 1

This week class one has enjoyed learning about VE Day and sharing a picnic on the field to celebrate.
Reception have been learning about the coats of armour as part of our topic on Castles, they created some fantastic shields of their own too.
KS1 had great fun learning about the four seasons and were intrigued when they discovered not all countries have four seasons.
We have also continued to care for our pumpkin plants and some children helped to repot them to allow them to grow further before we put them into our flower bed in June.

Key Stage 2 – Lower

This week, Class 2 have enjoyed playing with language and rhyme using Michael Rosen's poem 'Down behind the Dustbin' as their inspiration. They have taken part enthusiastically in all activities and they written their own versions of the poem, coming up with some excellent ideas.

In Maths, Year 3 have continued to work with Fractions, learning how to find fractions of amounts. Year 4 have continued to work on decimals, learning how to compare and order decimal numbers. Another excellent week.

Key stage 2 – Upper

In our art session this week, we have looked at the work of the photographer Helen Levitt. We worked in groups to try and recreate some of her most famous pieces of artwork.
In history, we collected research to find out who the Ancient Mayan worshipped.
On Thursday we completed activities in class linked to the commemoration of VE day.

Week Commencing 12th May

Monday to Thursday – Y6 – SATs Breakfast Club
Wednesday – KS1 – Multi-Sports After School Club*
Thursday – Y3/Y4 – Swimming**

*Please wear PE kit
**Please bring swimming kit

General

In our assembly this week we looked at 'What makes somewhere special to visit?' We linked it to the news story about the brand-new Universal theme park that will be built in Bedfordshire, England, and is due to open in 2031. We looked at the British Value of Individual Liberty as we all enjoy to visit different places and different places are special to us all. Our Rights Respecting Article was Article 12: respect for children's views and we also discussed the protected characteristic of disability because when new places like theme parks are built it is important they are designed for everyone to enjoy.

In our Music appreciation we listened to The Blue Danube by Johann Strauss II. We listened out for the cuckoos! The introduction is very quiet, with short snippets of the main tune interrupted by two notes playing a 'cuckoo' pattern.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 12th May 2025 – Year 6 SATs Week
Friday 23rd May 2025 – Break up for half term
Monday 2nd June 2025 – Return to school
Tuesday 15th July 2025 – Sports Day 1:30pm
Thursday 17th July 2025 – Leavers Assembly/Nursery Graduation 1:30pm
Friday 18th July 2025 – Break up for Summer break
Tuesday 2nd September 2025 – INSET day (School Closed)
Wednesday 3rd September 2025 – Return to school
Friday 24th October 2025 – Break up for half term
Monday 3rd November 2025 – Return to school
Friday 19th December 2025 – Break up for Christmas holidays
Monday 5th January 2026 – INSET day (School Closed)
Tuesday 6th January 2026 – Return to school