

May 2025

Ah – the Summer Term. Always a busy one!

As the half term has progressed, we have had a number of key events taking place, such as residential trips for Years 5 and 6, and also SATs Week and other year groups completing assessments. There have once again been some incredibly resilient pupils this year - the tests are not easy - yet the pupils have never given up on the journey towards this week. Thank you also to the staff who have worked tirelessly to ensure that these pupils were prepared as best they could be for SATs. You really do deserve a restful half term (although don't forget to keep reading!).

After half term break there is so much to look forward to (see dates for your diary).

Arts Week

This week has seen the pupils enjoying Arts Week. Our theme this year was movement. This included moving ourselves (dance/drama) and showing movement in artwork (drawing, painting, weaving or photography). Children also created their own scrapbooks, and created some digital art.



Year 3 are "making boxes!"

Year 5 Residential Trip to Tolmers



Last week, Year 5 left their home environments to go on a residential adventure to Tolmers Scout Camp. Aided by Miss Pomfret, Mrs Knight and Mr Clark, the children had an action-packed 3 days and they have come home full of stories. Here are a few comments from the children:

"The thing I learnt about myself was definitely that I didn't get as homesick as I thought I would have!"

"I learnt that I can nearly beat Extreme mode on Rolling Rock!"

"The advice I would give to next year's Year five is to go there and try everything, because you feel so good about yourself afterwards."

"If I could take one thing with me, it would be my own bed!"

For more photographs, please look on the Year 5 Class Page, or on our Instagram.

A huge thank you to the 3 staff who went with Year 5 on the trip. This is always a big undertaking, and you have helped to foster some life-long memories.

100% Attendance for May

Here are the pupils that were at school for 100% of the time in the month of May.

Nursery	Maisam, Lois, Beau, Leander, Aadhya, Veer, Evie, Myilah, Radha, Rosie, Atharv, Helena, Jack, Christodia, George and Jakub
Reception	Sophie, Matin, Eva, Irina, Cora, Jessica, Jake, Kheandrea, James, Aarohi, Vivaan, Felicity, Anokhi, Agasthya, Melissa, Beau, Fredrick, Kashi, Hadassah, Rummaisa and Muraad
Year 1	Malia, Linus, Ryan, Alina, Emma, Alex, Riva, Romman, Harry, Riley, Leticia, Anaaya, Henry, Eleanor, Sophia, Nitya, Lacey, Micah and Henley
Year 2	Rayan, Luca, Agnes, Eva, Henry C, Liam, Safiya, Valenciaa, Diya, Henry K, Drew, Philip, Edward, Veera, Ege, Rosie, Timeea, Ralphie, Laura and Andrew
Year 3	Iqra, Daniel, Caleb, Radu, Ellis, Luca, Minha, Kevin, Dhyan, Estera, Zohaib, Emily, Dorteia, Arthur, Alecia, Chloe, Taylor, Lucy, Jessica, Mathias, Nicolas and Aaron
Year 4	Dominic, Teo, Mason, Henry, Reyhaneh, Safa, Amelie, Eliyas, Harry, Amelia L, Siya, Tilly, Arthur, Jamie, Ruby, Nicholas, Oliver, Sidharth, Lucia, Amelia P, Krish, Lilly, Maxx, Jessica and Mufaad
Year 5	Marley-Joe, Victoria, Diana, Vienna, Annabel, Sophia, Tommy, Frankie, Zahra, Erineé, Emilee, Lewis Mc, Lewis Me, Lucas, Laila, Poppy, Abigail, Zahra S, Aarya, Bleu and Willow
Year 6	Leo, Darius, Vladik, Richard, Andrian, Lauma, Louis D, Leah, Lynn, Louis F, Anayah, Alice, Chase, Fred, Jack, Ruth, Aarush, Hritvi, Jiya, Kevin and Miller
Best Class: Year 4 (98%) Whole school: (96.7%)	

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to our 'Stars of the Week' so far this half term. You have shone bright!

Reception	Dhyani, Jake, Shine,
Y1	Nitya, Ryan, Riley,
Y2	Ariana, Laura, Eva,
Y3	Iqra, Isla,
Y4	Oliver, Mahika, Teo,
Y5	Zahra S, Mrs Knight,
Y6	Chase, Lynn and the Whole Class (x2)

Writers Corner

A piece written by a Year 2 pupil this month. Ralph has written a report entitled **"How To Wash a Big Mammoth"**. His teacher was so proud of the writing that she handed it straight to me!

You will need:

- A bath tub
- Cola bubbles
- A big mammoth
- A towel

1. First, fill the tub, but if your mammoth is too thirsty this may not work.
2. Then, add the cola bubbles because mammoths like the smell of it.
3. After, add the mammoth. If the mammoth does not get in, use cake to get him in the bath.
4. Now wash his big fat body – but be careful – the mammoth's body is really itchy.
5. Next, wash his long neck.
6. Finally, dry the body with loads of big towels.



Attendance/ Lateness

A reminder to parents that doors will be open for pupils in all key stages from 8.30am giving parents the option to bring children in to school any time between 8.30am and 8.45am each morning. Class teachers have been instructed to close classroom doors at the completion of registration, meaning if your child is late, they will need to report to the main reception to be registered.

If you are intending for your child to be off school (for religious reasons or otherwise), **please fill out a leave of absence form, available from the school office.**

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Star Readers:

Congratulations to this wonderful group of readers. You have all read at least 3 times or more in the month of May. Keep up the good work.

Reception	Sophie, Jessica, Jake, Amber, Anokhi and Allexx
Year 1	Alex, Alina, Anaaya, Beau, Bryan, Emma, Harry, Lacey, Leticia, Micah and Riley
Year 2	Rayan, Harry, Henry C, Sarah, Safiya, Valenciana, Diya, Henry K, Drew, William, Edward, Savv, Arjun, Andrew and Mia
Year 3	Iqra, Megan, Estera, Dorteia, Chloe, Taylor and Aaron
Year 4	Mahika, Mason, Reyhaneh, Siya, Oliver, Krish and Mufaad
Year 5	Aarya, Annabel, Filip, Lewis Me, Lucas, Nathan, Tommy, Vienna, Bleu, Lewis Mc

Wonderful Watford News!



Congratulations to this young man, who officially signed for Watford FC last week! What an amazing achievement for such a young age. We wish you all the very best for your time ahead.

Stay and Play

It was wonderful to see so many parents at our Art-themed Stay and Play this morning. There was such a wide variety of activities throughout the school, including paper sculptures, painting, manga drawing and even a live paper box-making lesson in Year 3! Thank you to those of you who attended. A great way to showcase all our talents, and all before 9am.



Our Gardens



It is lovely to see our gardens growing so well at the moment. Thank you to Miss Malin and Mrs Knight for taking Golden Time groups on Fridays that promote this important skill and attitude.



Year 6 at Gilwell Park



Year 6 have enjoyed a great week at Gilwell Park this week. It has certainly been eventful, and the photos that have been sent out look amazing. Another brilliant time away and well deserved after working so hard. Thank you to Miss Khela, Mr Clark and Miss Beaujeux for all their hard work and sleepless nights.



Please see below for dates for the rest of the year:

- Week beginning Monday 2nd June - Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
- Tuesday 3rd June – Shavuot – pupils invited to wear traditional clothes
- Wednesday 4th June – Y3 Class Assembly
- Wednesday 4th June – 5:30pm - Early Years Information Evening
- Friday 6th June – Y3 to St Albans Verulamium Museum
- Week beginning Monday 9th June - Year 1 Phonics Check
- Monday 9th June – PTA Fathers Day Sale
- Wednesday 11th June – Eid-al-Adha – pupils invited to wear traditional clothes
- Thursday 12th June – Y5 Class Assembly
- Friday 13th June – PTA Fathers Day Sale
- Monday 16th June – Year1 & 2 to London Zoo
- Thursday, 19th June – Year 4 Class Assembly
- Friday 20th June – Sports Day
- Monday 23rd June Reserve Sports Day
- Tuesday 24th June – Y4 to St Albans Cathedral
- Thursday, 26th June – Year 2 Class Assembly
- Saturday 28th June – St Meryl Summer Fete
- Tuesday 1st July – Whole School Photo (am)
- Tuesday 1st July – Y6 at Child Safety Event (Vicarage Road) (pm)
- Wednesday 2nd July – Mr Marvel Visiting Early Years
- Thursday, 3rd July – Year 1 Class Assembly
- Wednesday 9th July – Nursery Class Assembly
- Thursday 10th July- Transition morning (Year 6 Transition Day to Secondary Schools)
- Monday 14th July – Second Transition morning
- Wednesday 16th July – St Meryl's Got Talent
- Thursday 17th July – Rocksteady Concert
- Friday 18th July – Year 4 to Hertfordshire Zoo
- Monday 21st July – Year 1 to Windsor Castle
- Monday 21st July – Y6 Leavers' Show (evening)
- Tuesday 22nd July (morning) – Y6 Leavers' Show
- Tuesday 22nd July (2pm) – School's Out for Summer

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HAPPY'S CIRCUS

Even the kids will love it!

Happy's Circus are coming to Greenfields on Sunday the 8th June 2025. We cannot wait to welcome this amazing show to our grounds. Tickets are currently on sale through Greenfields. Please ring 0208 428 1166 or email circus@greenfields.herts.sch.uk if you would like to book.

Family ticket of 4: £50

Child ticket £12.50

Adult ticket £15

The gates to Greenfields open at 11.30am with the doors to the big top opening at 1.30pm.

All money raised is going to our 'Replace the playground equipment' pot. We would love our friends from our local schools to come and share in the fun!

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MUSEUM OF WATFORD

Dig to Discover

FREE fun for families this May half-term!

North Watford Library

Wednesday 28 May, 11.30am-3.30pm

Watford Central Library

Friday 30 May, 1pm-4pm

Join the Museum of Watford for an exciting hands-on history adventure!

Perfect for kids aged 5-12, and their families. Children need to be accompanied by an adult. No need to book, just turn up.

- **Dig to discover** - Get stuck in at our mini archaeological dig. Unearth ancient treasures and solve a mystery from the past.
- **Make & take** - Be inspired by Watford's rare Iron Age finds. Create your own amulet or keepsake box to take home.
- **The 'Watford Hoard'** - Discover the amazing story behind the town's Iron Age treasure - including a rare Phoenician bowl.



Come along and dig into Watford's history - who knows what you'll uncover! MOW on Tour is made possible by The National Lottery Heritage Fund, with thanks to National Lottery Players.

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Delivered by
Munur Shah,
Founder of
Rebel Therapies
& Author of
'Screen Addict'.



Munur Shah (External)

20 June, 10am-12.30pm
Bushey Heath, Herts

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Our Vision

At our school we will provide a safe and stimulating learning environment which challenges all learners and promotes outstanding achievement.

We encourage all members of our learning family to be open, honest and accepting of others.

We seek to instil a thirst for and love of life-long learning in everyone who is a part of this family.

Everyone at our school works as a team; supporting, encouraging and caring for all who join us on their learning journey.