

HEADTEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



Friday 10th May

It's All Greek To Me!

Year 4 had a fantastic day on Tuesday when the Ancient Greeks came to High Brooms! The children dressed up and found out what a Greek market was like. They had a go at creating their own tiles, tried out athletic events, had debates in the agora, worshipped in the temple and learnt how to speak Greek. To finish off there was a battle (and the battle cries carried right through the school!), with war paint and weapons! What a day. Then to continue, Mrs Hookway led a Greek Olympic event in PE the next day. It was a bit disconcerting to watch the children wrestling in the hall!

Year 6 took the opportunity to meet Liz Pichon at the Assembly Hall. She talked about her illustrations and the children were inspired to draw their own, on the trip and when they were back at school.

We've also loved seeing the sunshine. Reception have made the most of the warm weather learning in their outside area, and we have started to use the field at lunchtimes.

It was lovely seeing some year 6 children, who unfortunately had a cricket tournament postponed, helping with year 1 PE on Thursday morning. Everyone was engaged and the younger children really benefitted from Year 6's enthusiasm and patience in sharing and teaching skills.

NEXT WEEK

Monday 13th – 16th May – KS2 SATs

Friday 17th May – Year 5 Bake Off

Monday 20th May Choir Rehearsal at Southborough & Parent Meeting for Year 6 Residential

Thursday 23rd May – Year 5 secondary School Meeting

Friday 24th May – Year 6 Bake Off

Friday 24th May Term 5 Ends

We had a visit from Kent Attendance Officer this week, who is pleased with our continued efforts to increase attendance. Mrs Smith is holding meetings with families to see how we can raise their attendance.



Year 4 children enjoying their Greek Day.

FULFILLING GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL



This is a quick round up of what has been happening in each year group this week. You can see what the staff have got to say about the pupils across the School.



YR	This week we have been finding out about butterflies. We have been learning about the life cycle of butterflies and have been looking for them on the field. In maths we have been linking our learning with butterflies to manipulating and rotating 2D shapes.
Y1	In Year One we have been learning about Tocuaro, a Mexican Village. We have compared it with Tunbridge Wells. We found out about how they are famous for making beautiful masks, and the children had a go at making their own. In English we have been working on lots of new grammar skills when writing about our story Lost and Found. The children thought of lots of similes to describe the waves. In RE we found out about how Shabbat is celebrated, and the children enjoyed trying some challah bread.
Y2	This week Year 2 have been learning to tell the time in Maths! We can already recognise o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. We have started a new story in Literacy, Toys In Space, and even had a bag of toys arrive mysteriously on Monday! We used our detective skills and believe they came from NASA. We are continuing to explore plants and the plant life cycle in Science and are very much enjoying using maps and learning about compasses in Geography.
Y3	In Science, Year 3 have thought about how muscles make our bodies move and have made a moving hand using card, string and straws. In Literacy we wrote our own version of our class book, The Thames and Tide club. We are enjoying PE lessons outside, learning cricket and tennis skills.
Y4	We had a fantastic day on Tuesday learning about the Ancient Greeks where we learnt about Greek theatre, made marble carvings and even learnt some Ancient Greek. On Wednesday we had an ancient Olympic Style PE lesson altogether. In maths we are learning to convert tenths and hundredths into decimals. In Literacy we have introduced our new book The Ever Changing Earth and made some predictions through a soundtrack.
Y5	This week in Literacy we were introduced to our new text: Alte Zachen. We learnt that 'Alte Zachen' means 'Old Things' and followed Bubbe and Benji on the start of their journey across New York City. In Geography, we enjoyed using compasses (for the first time for some of us) to navigate routes set by our team mates.
Y6	This week in year 6, the children have been planning their fairy tale incorporating characters and plot that fit the genre. We also used our maths measuring skills to create Islamic art and enjoyed a great morning at the Assembly Hall listening to Liz Pichon the author of the Tom Gates series of books.

WHEN TO WEAR PE KITS TO SCHOOL.

MONDAY

5S
5B
Lorikeets
Kookaburras
4VC
Swimming 4B

TUESDAY

Owls
Robins
6W
6H

WEDNESDAY

3DB
3TWB
4VC
4B
6W
6H

THURSDAY

3TWB
3DB
Owls
Robins

FRIDAY

Ducklings
Goslings
Lorikeets
Kookaburras

FOREST SCHOOL (THURSDAY)

3TWB