

16th June 2025

Dear parents and carers

STARS OF THE WEEK W/C 16.6.25

N- AM	YAQUB	3A	LYLA
N - PM	VALENTINE	3H	MARA
RR	LILA	4P	EESA
RS	MILES	4SH	TIMOTHY
1L	EMILIE	5A	ALESHA
1W	ALLISON	5G	ALEEZA
2DM	KYRO	6F	FARIS
2F	SOPHIA	6M	ZAKI
	PLM JAMIE		

MUSIC STARS - BARAKAH + DANNY Y?



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY W/C 9.6.25

Best Attendance ☺

RR 100%

Best Punctuality ☺

2F, 5A & 6F

Class that needs to improve their attendance

PLM 90.7%

Class that needs to improve their punctuality

RS

Overall School Attendance this year = 93.9%

3A WW2 ASSEMBLY

Well done to 3A as they took us back in time last Thursday to over 80 years ago to World War Two. Their outfits really set the scene with soldiers, land people and evacuees. The children reflected on the war with a series of scenes.

The first scene introduced children as evacuees and they read their diary entries. These were incredibly well written and very heart-felt. The second scene was based on the Blitz and the bombing of British Cities. The children re-enacted an air raid and how people had to shelter in Anderson Shelters and underground stations. They then presented their attractive art work to show what the Blitz may have looked like.

The children described what life was like as evacuees in the countryside and the varying experiences they had. This was followed by an excellent rendition of 'We'll Meet Again' and they finished their story of World War Two with a scene from VE Day with lots of celebrations! Some fascinating facts about World War Two were shared with a selection of questions to ask the audience.

Then the final words from 3A were really powerful. Here are a couple of them....
'World War Two was a time of struggle – but also of hope, courage, and peace.'
'Let's always remember – and always work for peace.'

Well done to Mr Archer and the children of 3A. A lovely assembly with really confident children delivering it!

Here's what the parents had to say:

Incredible assembly. I loved the diaries, dancing and facts!

Well done Mr Archer. Great job 3A!

It was amazing! I learnt a lot about WW2!



1L'S ASSEMBLY ON PLANTS AND FLOWERS

Our second Class Assembly of the week was on Friday and brought to us by 1L who did an amazing job of sharing with us their growing passion (forgive the pun) for their themed unit on Plants and Flowers.

They shared their highly enjoyable trip to the Olympic Park, identifying all the flowers and plants they could find. They showed us how they had developed their knowledge of how to grow pansies and how to identify parts of a plant. Their drawings of sunflowers were fabulous as was their backdrop to their assembly!

They retold the story of 'The Tiny Seed' with lots of lovely actions and props. And, if that wasn't enough, they shared their wonderful pastel drawings of Claude Monet's 'The Lily Pad'. Their voices rang out loud and clear with 'Sing a Rainbow' complete with a group of dancers with rainbow scarfs. The grand finale was a catwalk of their brilliant research projects.

Well done to 1L, Miss Lee, Ms Tali and Ms Lewis. A very colourful and busy assembly!

Here's what the proud families had to say:

I learned some facts about plants that I never knew! And loved the music, dance and singing.

Wonderful flowery assembly, refreshingly presented by amazing 1L class. Well needed during the Summer. Well done 1L

We really enjoyed the assembly, it was entertaining, engaging and lovely see the children learning and having fun.

Thanks to Ms Lee and all the staff.

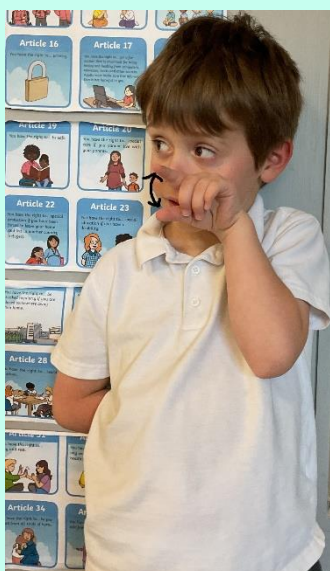
Well done 1L! Such creativity and joy and I learnt some very interesting plant facts. A fabulous assembly

All the children were amazing. Loved it all.



**MAKATON
SIGN OF
THE
WEEK:

BIRD**



**Parent Forum - Upcoming
Meeting is this Wednesday
18.6.25 at 9:00am**

The next Parent Forum will take place this Wednesday 18th June at 9:00am where we will discuss Home Learning and the Home School Agreement.

I hope that everyone who is part of the Forum is able to attend but we would welcome the views of any parent or carer who would like to come along. Refreshments will be provided!

Hand Held Battery Operated Fans

Unfortunately these are causing many arguments in the playground so we are now asking that you please do not send them in.

Thank you for your understanding.

Ice Poles



These will continue to be sold by Year 2 **THIS WEEK ONLY** to help subsidise their trip to Southend later this term.

They will be on sale each break time and cost 40p

Clean Air Day – Thursday 19 June 2025

Join us in marking Clean Air Day, the UK's largest air pollution awareness campaign, and help pupils understand how cleaner air can protect their health and the environment. Air pollution is the biggest environmental health risk in the UK, linked to heart and lung diseases, asthma, and even cognitive development in children. The good news is: small changes can make a big difference — and schools play a vital role.

We encourage everyone to walk, cycle or scoot to school and if you do have to drive, please ensure you do not let your engine idle.



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SPECIAL MENU THIS THURSDAY – YOU CAN CHANGE FROM PACKED LUNCH IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THIS – just let the office know



WINDRUSH DAY 19th June 2025

Jerk Chicken with Rice and Peas

Jollof Rice (ve)

Vegetable Patty with Roasted Sweet Potato (ve)

Sweetcorn Cobettes (ve)
Broccoli (ve)

Fried Plantain (ve)

Ginger Cake (v) with Custard (v) (ve)

Organic Fruit Yogurt (v)
with Seasonal Fresh Fruit (ve)

Fresh Pineapple and Watermelon Platter (ve)

Honey Bread (v)

All menu's come with freshly baked bread (v) and a selection of salad (ve)
For allergen information please see the catering team



SPORTS DAYS

SPORTS DAYS - THIS WEEK –

FAMILIES WELCOME TO WATCH.
9:15am start

KS2 (YEARS 3,4,5 &6) SPORTS DAY –
TUESDAY 17TH JUNE (am)

KS1 (YEARS 1&2) & RECEPTION
SPORTS DAY – THURSDAY 19TH JUNE
(am)

**REMEMBER - CHILDREN ARE TO
WEAR THEIR PE KIT ALL DAY - WE
CANNOT LEND ANY**

NURSERY DATE TO BE CONFIRMED

Come and cheer them all on!

With my very best wishes

J. Maltwood.

Julie Maltwood
Headteacher

COMING UP – Save the Date!

Summer Concert – 9:15 – Friday 11th July
Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 9:15 – Friday 18th July
– bring tissues!

SOUTH GROVE LEARNING GALLERY!

Nursery

In Nursery we have been busy continuing to explore the story 'Monkey Puzzle'. We created our own jungles by cutting out different animals and fruit. We used glue to stick the animals and bananas around our jungles. We also decorated ties with colourful tissue paper in preparation for Father's Day on Sunday.



Reception

In Reception we have been learning about mini beasts and last week focused on learning some of the features of mini beasts. We have watched films and used books for research and took part in a quiz, called 'What am I?' We read the clues to help us detect the different mini beasts. With our mini beast knowledge we chose a mini beast and thought of our own clues to describe it and we tested them out on our friends.

We have also continued to observe our caterpillars, continued to make our information leaflets of the life cycle of a Painted Lady butterfly and have been using our phonic knowledge to describe each of the stages. We saw the caterpillars grow bigger and bigger and some of them have climbed to the top of the jar.



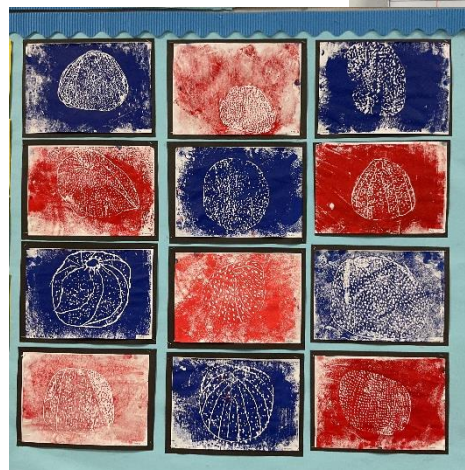
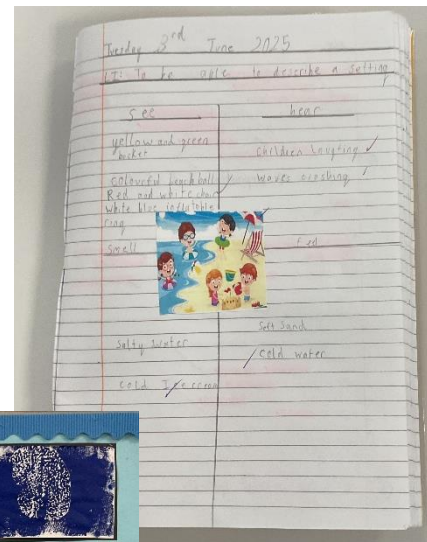
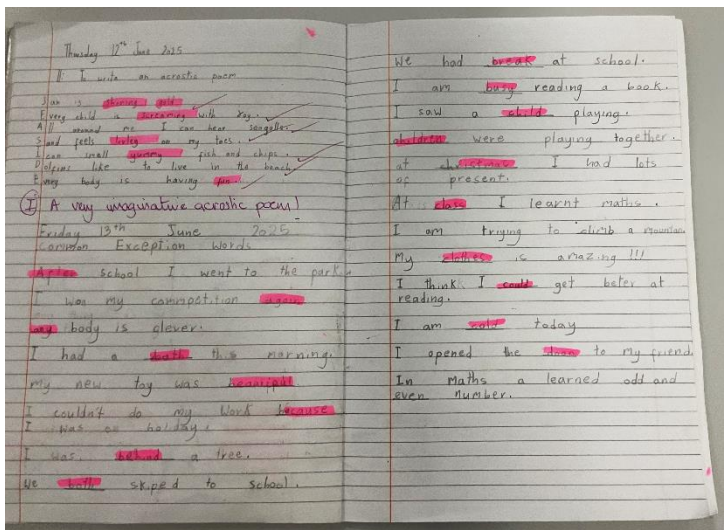
Year 1

Last week, Year 1 started off looking at the insides and skin and flesh of a range of fruit. Before cutting the fruit open, they made estimates of how many seeds each fruit might have. This was in order to gather information for their informative writing later on this week. After talking about the fruit, Year 1 carefully cut it open and looked carefully at what they could see. They made careful drawings of the fruit and talked about the different seeds they could see. They then worked in small groups and negotiated who was counting which piece of fruit. Felicity in particular showed remarkable perseverance, counting all 195 seeds in her slice of kiwi. They were tiny seeds too! We ended the week marvelling at all the lovely learning that went on during our Plants and Flowers topic showcased in all its glory in 1L's brilliant assembly! Beautiful paintings, wonderful home learning, videos of a trip, you name it – 1L's assembly had it! The children were very proud and had big smiles as they showed off all they had learned.



Year 2

Year 2 children are really enjoying our Seaside Topic this half term. We have been writing acrostic poems, writing descriptions about the seaside, using prepositions and adjectives. Additionally, during art sessions, we have been creating shell prints, which the children really enjoyed!



Year 3

Last week in Year 3 we were looking at different types of angles in Maths. The children have explored right angles, acute angles and obtuse angles and can now define these. We even found some around the classrooms! In Science, we began looking at forces in the world around us and understood the forces acting upon things around us, including both contact and non-contact forces ready for our Science experiments next week.

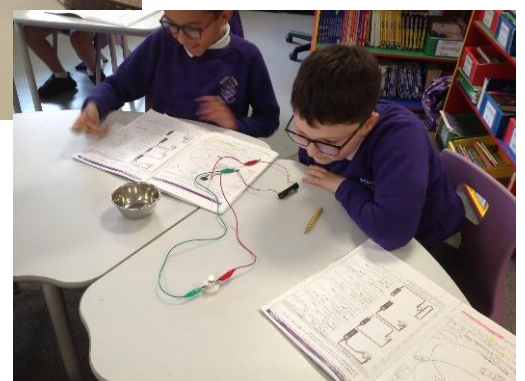
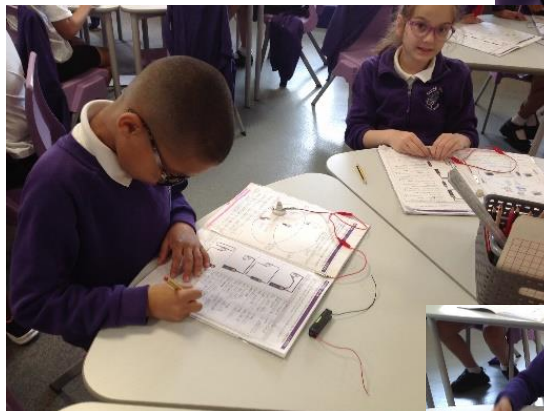
3A also performed their assembly on World War 2! Showcasing all of the great learning that we as a year group completed last half term. Well done 3A on a fantastic performance!



Year 4

Last week, the excitement in Year 4 was *electric* as the children began experimenting with circuits. Through prediction and experimentation, they discovered what makes a circuit complete, and identified the basic components of one: battery, wires, bulb. Will we be exploring more components? Of course. *Wire* you asking?

On second thought, let's not go to South Grove. It's a silly place.



Year 5

What better way to so start a week by building bridges. Metaphorically and literally, as part of our topic this term we looked at different types of bridges and what made them strong. The considered the structure of a bridge making sure it was strong and sturdy to be able to hold up items. We tried to make the longest bridge we could make using only one sheet of A4 paper. Then we followed a design brief to make a beam bridge to test how many cubes the bridge would hold. There were intense moments just seeing how many cubes could make it on top of the bridge before they would collapse!

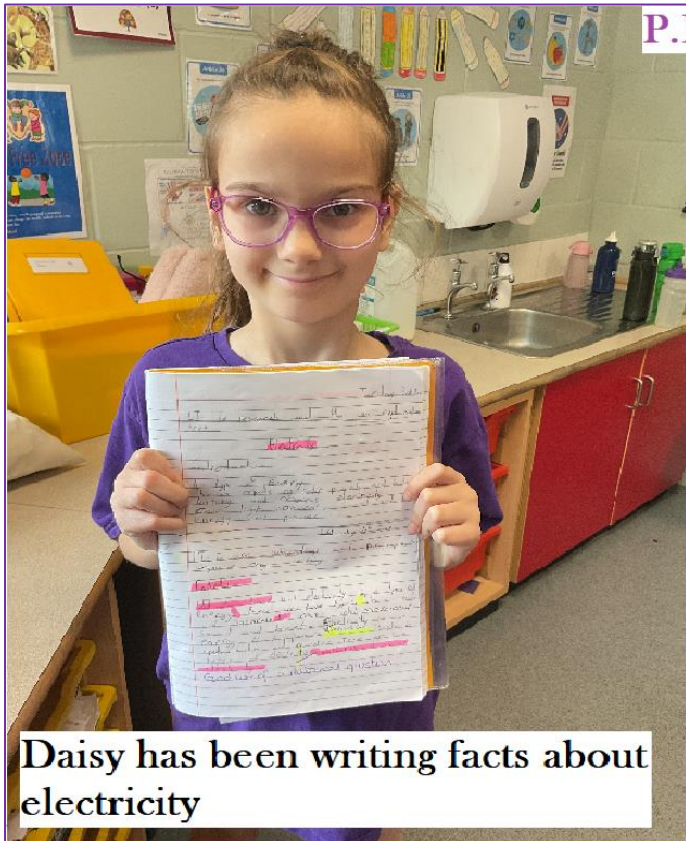


Year 6

Last week, Year 6 were lucky enough to be visited by our friends at Project Zero again! We also got the opportunity to meet a special guest, local rapper Kitch. He told us the inspirational story of his life with a stammer and how this impacted his education and mental health. We heard how he used writing as a means of communication when he felt that his voice was not enough to express what he was feeling. We also got to find out more about the beginnings of Project Zero itself and its ambitious aims for the future of young people in Waltham Forest. We can't wait to see them again at the end of the school year!



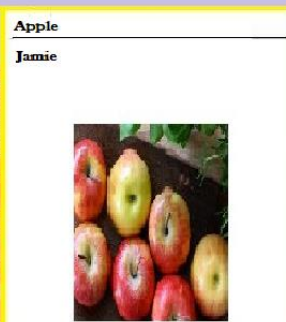
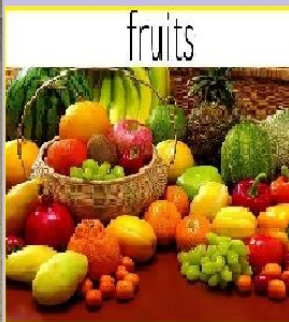
P.L.M Newsletter



Daisy has been writing facts about electricity



The children in PLM have created and painted their bridges.



Jamie created a power point on fruit



SUMMER 2025 SESSION CALENDAR

**ALL SESSIONS
ARE FREE!**



Waltham Forest has loads to offer young people, from multisports and basketball to podcast-making, crafts, cooking, gaming, and music and video production.

Our Space4All programme provides safe spaces for spending time with friends and trying out fun activities. Sessions are free and open to 11 to 25-year-olds, with special junior sessions for 8 to 12-year-olds. Check out our session calendar for a full list of activities happening across Waltham Forest.

Schedules can change, so don't forget to visit our website for the latest updates!



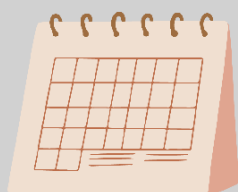

Space4All website: bit.ly/s4asummer

For parents with school-aged children!

Welcome to the

Parents' Roadshow

- ★ Looking for activities and support for your child in Waltham Forest?
- ★ Come along and find out what's available for primary and secondary school-aged children.
- ★ You'll be able to chat with local services, including the University of Portsmouth, Community Safety Team, Space4All, SEND support, the Holiday Activity and Food Programme, and many others.



Put the date in
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**Monday
14 July
10am to 2pm**

