

Newsletter

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Dear Parents & Carers

We had a wonderful **Sports Day** on Thursday and were very lucky that the weather was kind to us. It was lovely to see all of the children taking part with such enthusiasm, determination and team spirit. We are incredibly proud of every child -not only for their effort, but for the way they supported one another, worked together and overcame different challenges to take part.

Congratulations to Purple House, who were our KS1 winners, and to Yellow and Purple Houses, who were joint winners in KS2. It was very exciting in assembly today as we revealed the overall result and congratulated Purple House on their win. I was particularly proud to see how everyone showed excellent sportsmanship - cheering for the winning team despite it being such a close competition.

A special thank you must go to Mrs Marshall for organising such a successful and enjoyable event, and to all those who came along to watch and support. It really made the day feel special.

It has also been **Walk to School Week**, and I would like to thank families who were able to make the effort to add more steps into their week by walking to school. The children have been discussing how this benefits both our bodies and our brains. The fresh air, exercise and opportunities to notice the world around us all contribute positively to our wellbeing—something we will continue to encourage.



We are delighted that we have been fortunate to receive a free visit to school from **Aaron Phipps**, a gold medal-winning Paralympic champion. Aaron will be visiting us on Monday 1 June, where he will meet and greet each class, and he will also lead a workshop with our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils.

If you would like to find out more about his inspiring journey, please visit:

<https://www.aaronhipps.com>

A reminder that our Wellbeing Week begins on **Monday 8 June**. We have an exciting programme of events planned throughout the week, including yoga sessions, a bubble station, a visiting petting farm and our much-anticipated Colour Run, alongside a variety of other activities for the children to enjoy.









As always to it was fabulous to celebrate children who have been recognised for being great role models this week in our Celebration Assembly.

Date	Friday 22 May 2026
 Squirrels	Gali and Ronnie – you are both so thoughtful and caring to your friend when she was upset. Gali, giving her one of your stickers was a lovely way to cheer her up and Ronnie getting her a cup of water showed real kindness and care. You both noticed that your friend needed support and helped in such gentle, helpful ways. That was wonderful friendship and teamwork.
 Ladybirds	Everyone in Ladybird's class for designing and making fantastic healthy fruit kebabs, the children explored key Design and Technology skills including peeling, threading, chopping and using the bridge technique to prepare the fruit. They all listened carefully and followed the hygiene and safety rules throughout. Well done everyone!
 Bumblebees	George has shown that he is always ready to learn and shows enthusiasm for all of his learning. Isabella has worked incredibly hard on her phonics and she enjoys supporting her friends with their learning in reading.
 Hares	Amit this week in Art got super creative during the planning stages and had to really show determination and resilience when the production stage got tricky. Stephanie has shown readiness to learn and improve in English and resilience when making here mythical clay creature.
 Foxes	Lucy, Ellie, Oscar, Codi and Theo for their great teamwork with performing their poem extract. They managed to memorise the poem, add actions and work in sync which was lovely to watch.
 Heron	Dylan and James have been incredibly thoughtful with their contributions to our lessons this week, especially in guided reading, DT, RE and Music. They have been showing resilience in Maths too.
 Kingfishers	The Year 6 children, from each House, who helped with Key Stage 1 Sports Day yesterday have been recognised for their positive and calm encouragement with the children. They also quickly and efficiently helped to put everything away afterwards. Thank you.




Top Table

The children chosen for the top table this week are: Orla C – Ladybirds, Daphne S – Bumblebees, Oscar S – Hares and Imogen F – Foxes.

Housepoints – these are announced each week in assembly				
	 Oak	 Maple	 Birch	 Rowan
Points this week	258	300	197	316
Leaderboard	2nd	3rd	4th	1st

Headteacher: Miss Sarah Vittle B.Ed (Hons)

EdShed  Our Ed Shed winners this week are: Abraham, Dylan and Stephanie The winning class was Hares. If you want ideas, on or off line, to help with spelling at home our website has lots to look at. Try this link to our [English Subject page](#) here or go straight to edshed here: <https://www.edshed.com>

 Our highest scorers were celebrated in Times Tables Rock Star this week. If you want ideas, on or off line, to help with timestables at home our website has lots to look at. Try this link to our [Maths subject page](#) here or go straight to TTRS here: <https://trockstars.co>

Friends of OB School PTA update:

Thank you so much again to everyone who joined in the Quiz Night earlier this month! It was a great evening, raising well over **£600**.

Thanks to your support, this half term the PTA has funded/agreed to fund:

- Plants for Mrs Homewood's bug hotel, the 'Air Bee and Beastie'
- Three new hammocks for small and big forest schools
- A contribution towards the Year 6 leavers celebration (£360)
- A new bike shed roof (thanks to Malcolm and Jason for their time and efforts carrying out the repairs)



New fundraising target: Based on the results of the recent survey, and after consultation with Miss Vittle, we're excited to announce that fundraising events will now focus on raising money for a **traversing wall** and continued support for the **edible playground**.

Summer Fair:

Next half term will be our biggest event, the **Summer Fair on 11 July** - this is shaping up to be bigger than ever, and, with your support, will go a long way to reaching our fundraising target... more to follow after half term! Wishing everyone a wonderful break!

School Uniform Shop

Logos4u our school uniform shop will be closed from 2pm today and will re-open at 9.30am on Tuesday 26 May.

Holiday Clubs

Integr8dance are running two holiday clubs in the half term – one at Weeke Primary School on Thursday 28 and Friday 29 May from 10am – 4pm for children ages 4-11 at a cost of £35 per child per day and the other one at Winnall Primary School running from Tuesday 26 – Friday 29 May 10am – 4pm for children ages 4-11 at a cost of £35 per child per day or £120 per child for all four days. These clubs will involve games, arts, dance and lots more! For more information or to book go to: info@integr8dance.com or telephone 01962 808398. They are also offering breakfast and late clubs at a cost of £6 per session.

Thank you all for your continued support. Wishing you all a lovely half term.

Yours faithfully



Miss Vittle
Headteacher

Dates for your diary - [new events in Blue](#) **Just Nursery Dates in Green**

ALL DATES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE TOO 😊 Just click here: [School Calendar](#)

[Aaron Phipps visit](#)

[Year R trip to Marwell Zoo](#)

[Year 3 Egyptian Day](#)

[Well-Being Week](#)

[Author visit KS2](#)

[Colour Run – 15:00](#)

[Nursery Sports Day afternoon - 14:00 – 15:00](#)

[Year 6 pupils to Kings' School](#)

[Class Photos](#)

[Inset Days](#)

[Parents Information Evening at Kings School 6pm](#)

[Year 6 Production – 6pm](#)

[Summer Fair](#)

[Rock Steady Concert – 2.30pm](#)

[Nursery Graduation 13:30-15:00](#)

[End of term](#)

[INSET DAY](#)

[Monday 1st June](#)

[Thursday 4th June](#)

[Friday 5th June](#)

[Week beginning 8th June](#)

[Thursday 11th June](#)

[Thursday 11th June](#)

[Tuesday 16 June](#)

[Monday 22nd June](#)

[Thursday 25th June](#)

[Friday 26th June 2026 & Monday 29th June 2026](#)

[Thursday 2nd July](#)

[Thursday 9th July](#)

[Saturday 11th July](#)

[Monday 13th July](#)

[Tuesday 21 July](#)

[Wednesday 22nd July](#)

[Tuesday 1st September](#)