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WESTBOURNE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

19th June 2026

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Reception Visit to Gatton Park

This week, the Reception children experienced their very first school trip!

After the excitement of going on a coach, we arrived at Gatton Park; the children were greeted by their Forest school leader and quickly moved to a classroom for a day filled with learning activities.

A story first, a trip over the bridge to the orchard next, and our morning was filled with butterflies. The children played imaginatively as birds looking for the camouflaged caterpillars, explored the stages of the butterfly's lifecycle and engaged in a challenging scavenger hunt.

After a picnic lunch and some playground games, the children enjoyed an afternoon filled with pond creatures. A quick craft activity and pond dipping where the children used their enquiry skills to find out what creatures were living in the pond. We were excited to see dragonfly larvae, pond skaters, and some frogs sunbathing. What a wonderful day!

The children were beautifully behaved: amazing ambassadors for Westbourne and a joy to be with - well done!



Staffing News – School Business Manager

We are exceedingly grateful for Mrs Slack's utterly exceptional service as School Business Manager at Westbourne over many years, as she is now stepping down from the role. We are now looking forward to her continuing contribution to share her vast experience, knowledge and expertise with the school as Academy Business Advisor on a part-time basis.

We would like to welcome Mrs Evans as our new School Business Manager; I am sure you will make her feel part of the Westbourne family!



We would like to kindly remind parents and visitors to switch off their car engines while waiting outside the school premises.

Reducing unnecessary engine idling can help improve air quality, reduce noise, and create a healthier environment for students, staff, and local residents.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Hot weather due to continue next week



It looks like it will be hot and sunny – again - next week.

Please ensure your child comes into school with:

- A water bottle
- A sun hat/cap
- Sun protection applied (do not send in sun cream bottles).

No battery-operated fans please (health and safety)



The children will be spending some of their break/lunchtime in the shade on our field.





'Life of a chickpea' workshop

Our Year 5 and 6 children started the week with an inspiring and thought-provoking workshop delivered by the Dialogue Society called 'Life of a Chickpea'. We heard stories from a range of different faiths, had opportunities for performance, and spent time reflecting on how British Values shape our society. It was a chance to celebrate the rich diversity that we are lucky to be a part of. We were so proud of how mature and respectful our children were, and so grateful to the Dialogue Society for running a workshop full of hope and positivity. Who knew a single chickpea could form the basis of such a thoughtful conversation!?



On Tuesday, the boys travelled to Beddington CC to defend their Connellan Trophy crown from 2025. They had a superb start against Cheam Common, with Aadhav taking 4 wickets for 2 runs and Aadhvik top-scoring with 15 not out. In all we took 9 wickets in the match and finished comfortable winners. In the final, we came up against a strong Brookfield team, and despite some confident batting, we suffered a couple of run outs, eventually being pipped by just 4 runs! Such a close game to finish the hard ball season, but a big well done to the boys for their terrific sportsmanship throughout their cricketing summer! Softball matches to follow... watch this space!

Sports Days 2026

Nursery and Reception Sports Day	Monday 29th June Nursery: 9:05am – 9:35am Reception: 10am – 11:15am
Y1/3/2 (<u>correct order</u>) Sports Day	Wednesday 1st July Y1: 9:05am – 10:35am Y3: 11am – 12:30pm Y2: 1:30pm -3pm
Y4/5/6 Sports Day	Thursday 2nd July Y4: 9:05am – 10:35am Y5: 11am – 12:30pm Y6: 1:30pm -3pm



She would be hugely grateful if we could share the survey with **pupils, parents and carers** across our school community. Schools with particularly high participation rates will receive formal recognition for helping amplify children's voices, along with a summary of their pupils' responses, and an invite to my final Festival of Childhood. Here is a link to the survey – thank you!

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/TheBigFuture/>



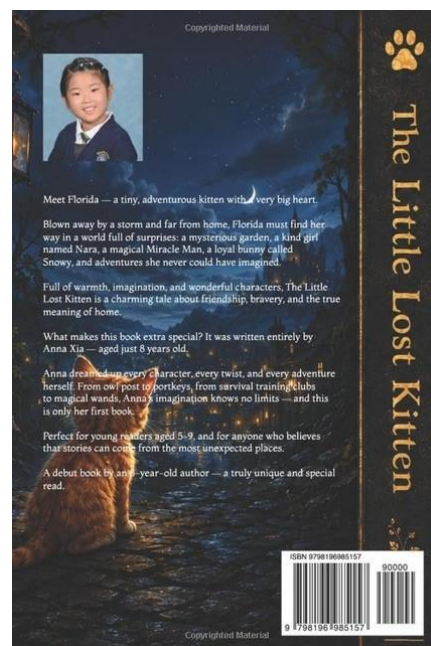
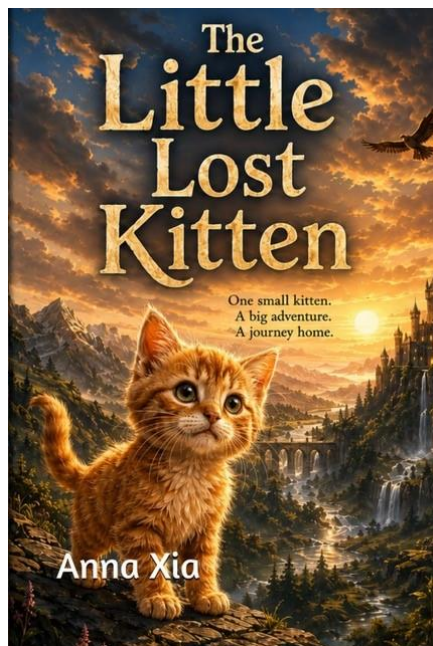
A budding author

Congratulations to Anna X., (Year 3 Mersey class), who has recently published her first book - a children's story called *The Little Lost Kitten*, available on Amazon.

The book is a story about a kitten named Florida who, after being blown from home in a storm, finds her way through a series of adventures - with the help of kind characters she meets along the way. Anna wrote every part of it herself (at age 7!).

Anna and her family are planning to donate the proceeds to a local charity, so any word-of-mouth does go a little further than just the book itself. Here is the link – thank you in advance!

https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/product/B0H24JXPXB/ref=ox_sc_act_title_1?smid=A3P5ROKL5A1OLE&psc=1



Bike Bus

A great parent-led initiative to make the school run more enjoyable and environmentally friendly! If you are interested, please liaise directly with Ishay (details in the poster below).



Join other Westbourne families for a fun, social group cycle to school every Friday morning (starting small and growing gradually!)

WHY JOIN?

- ✓ Safer riding together as a group
- ✓ Less traffic and parking stress around school
- ✓ More confidence for children cycling on roads
- ✓ A healthier, happier start to the day
- ✓ Meet other local families

WHEN AND WHERE?

Friday mornings

For now, we're riding from the **Robin Hood Lane** area north along **Collingwood Road** toward school.

Families can join along the way!

As more riders join, we hope to adapt and expand routes over time.

If the current route doesn't suit your location, please still get in touch - we'd love to hear from interested families across the Westbourne community.

KEEP IT SAFE!

- ⚠ Children must be accompanied by an adult
- ⚠ Up to 3 children per adult
- ⚠ Adult ride leaders are at the front and back
- ⚠ Additional adults help keep the group together
- ⚠ We ride together at an easy pace

HOW TO JOIN?

Ishay

Maya's dad, Y1 Ribble

0770 978 3251

ishay.r@rehov.net

🚲 Let's make the school run fun



HPL at Westbourne

As a re-accredited HPL World Class School (<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/westbourne-primary-school/UploadedDocument/013b69d7-a2ed-4e8b-a945-632118753e46/newsletter-11th-july-2025.pdf>), we will continue to optimise and systematise HPL at Westbourne (for children, staff and parents, too) as members of the prestigious HPL Fellowship and Global Community.

If you are new to the school and/or wish to find out more about HPL, please find below a couple of posters summarising the HPL skills; you can also find more information by clicking on our website's HPL navigation tab: <https://www.westbourne.sutton.sch.uk/topic/hpl>

There is also a wealth of assemblies on HPL competencies on the school website: <https://westbourne-primary-school.primarysite.media/playlist/school-assemblies-spring-term-2021>

In the next few weeks, **Infants** will continue to focus on the VAAs (Values, Attitudes and Attributes – How we Behave) – see poster below.

Juniors will now focus on: **Connection Finding** and **Imagination** (part of the *Linking* cluster) – see posters on the next page.

Perseverance
To keep going and never give up, even when faced with difficulties and obstacles.



Hard-Working Hedgehog

Resilience
To overcome any problems I face and help my friends when they need help.

Practice
To repeat the same actions until I have mastered it. 'Practice makes Progress!'

Hard-working
To work hard until the best outcome is achieved, overcoming setbacks.



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Collaborative
To work as part of a team, share my ideas and listen to the ideas of others.



Empathetic Elephant

Confidence
Believe in yourself! Try new things and be proud of your achievements.

Concerned for Society
Celebrate everyone's differences and be kind to others.

Empathetic
To be aware of your own beliefs, work as a team and show empathy towards others.



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Enquiring
Be independent and willing to question ideas. Be curious and develop your own views and solutions.



Agile Alligator

Open-Minded
Be open to new ideas and flexible in challenging your opinions.

Creative and Enterprising
To be resourceful and use your initiative when faced with a challenge.

Risk-Taking
Be positive and confident to try something new. Step outside of your comfort zone and don't be afraid of challenges.

Agile
Question ideas, use your initiative and be open-minded.



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CONNECTION FINDING



- What knowledge can I use from previous learning to help with new learning?
- Can I make connections between different parts of my learning?



IMAGINATION



- I know that to solve problems I need to think of solutions.
- I ask, 'What if...?' to begin my solution...
- I use prior knowledge to think of a solution





School Council's Best Behaviours!

- ✓ **Respect others at all times**
- ✓ **Look after friends and school property** - *Concern for Society*
- ✓ **Be grateful for your friends, teachers and opportunities**
- ✓ **Follow instructions given by all adults**
- ✓ **Be responsible for your choices and actions** - *Self Regulation*
- ✓ **Use your manners wherever you are**
- ✓ **Include everyone** - *Collaboration*
- ✓ **Think before you speak**
- ✓ **Play kindly and safely**
- ✓ **Try your best in everything you do**

❖ School Councillors have special stickers to reward children who follow these Best Behaviours

❖ There will be a weekly award for children who impress their School Councillor





We're a Voice 21 Oracy School!

Voice 21 is the national charity that advocates for and supports schools in delivering a high-quality oracy education. In continuing our relationship with Voice 21 for another year, we are part of a network of over 1,100 Voice 21 Oracy Schools across the UK that are transforming teaching and learning through talk.

Why oracy matters?

Oracy is articulating ideas, developing understanding and engaging with others through speaking, listening and communication.

We actively invest teaching time into creating "talk-rich" classrooms, valuing every student voice, boosting confidence, and preparing our students for their futures.

- Speaking and listening skills are critical foundations for reading and writing.
- Students with better oral language skills are more likely to achieve the highest grades in GCSE Maths and English.
- Young people with good communication skills are less likely to have mental health difficulties.

By teaching students to become effective speakers and listeners, we empower them to understand themselves, each other, and the world around them better.



Why are we a Voice 21 Oracy School?

As a Voice 21 Oracy School, we are placing oracy at the heart of our teaching and learning across all subject areas enabling students to develop and deepen their knowledge and understanding through talk in the classroom.

In Voice 21 Oracy Schools:

- 89% of students agree/strongly agree that speaking and listening has helped them make progress with their school work.
- 77% of teachers said that oracy had boosted attainment.
- 96% of teachers said that oracy is an essential part of teaching and learning.

Find out more about oracy and Voice 21 [here](#)





SAFEGUARDING Spring/Summer Newsletter



Welcome from the Safeguarding Team...



Dear Parents and Carers,

Safeguarding remains at the heart of everything we do and is everybody's responsibility. We are committed to working together as staff, families, and the wider community to keep our children safe both in and out of school. By maintaining open communication and strong partnerships, we ensure all children feel safe, supported and confident.

We are pleased to welcome back Mrs Aves (SENDCo) from maternity leave. Our safeguarding team plays a vital role in helping to keep children safe at school, at home, and within the community.

Safeguarding Newsletter

Last week, the Safeguarding Spring-Summer 2026 Newsletter was sent out to all parents and carers via Parentmail. You can find it on our website, too:

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/westbourne-primary-school/UploadedDocument/f5ed116d-a42e-4823-b233-d5e42bd379ad/safeguarding-newsletter-spring-and-summer-2026.pdf>



internet
matters.org

For Parents – New Videos from Internet Matters

Over the last few days Internet Matters have released two new videos onto their YouTube channel which I'm sure will be useful to a lot of parents. They are both very short, the first is 'what to do if a stranger contacts your child online', and the second is what to do if your child is bullied online.

[Link: Video - what to do if a stranger contacts your child online.](#)

[Link: Video - what to do if your child is bullied online.](#)





Making Life
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WESTBOURNE PRIMARY SCHOOL COFFEE MORNING



NHS
South West London and
St George's Mental Health
NHS Trust



Parent / Carer Coffee Morning:

Supporting your child with everyday
separations

THURSDAY 25TH JUNE
08:45-10.15AM AT SCHOOL

- A workshop for parents and carers of early years and primary aged children
- Practical ways to support school drop off, bed time and transition to new school year
- Learn ways to respond to worries and develop confidence

Interested in attending? No booking required, just come along on the day!

If you have any queries please contact the school office on

office@westbourne.sutton.sch.uk

Provided by our NHS-in-School Education Wellbeing Service

THIS WORKSHOP INTRODUCES PARENTS AND CARERS TO COMMON CHILDHOOD FEARS AND WORRIES, HOW TO IDENTIFY AND



Respectful



Open



Collaborative



Compassionate



Consistent



Illness and Attendance

Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK. These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. Please click [here](#) to view the government guidelines.

We aim for all children's **attendance to be 96% and above**. When it falls below 90% we have a legal duty to inform the Local Authority which then triggers an investigation by the Education Welfare Service. When a child's attendance falls below 90%, there is a serious risk of underachievement.

Support Your Child to Succeed in School

Help your child understand that school is their very first job! Make great school attendance a priority for your child. Talk to your child about the importance of daily attendance in every class and how it contributes to his/her learning.

The Power of a Strong Finish to the Term

– *Don't Skip Fridays*

As we approach the culmination of the calendar year at Westbourne, it's crucial to highlight the impact of a strong finish on our pupils' educational journey. Fridays represent a significant fifth of the learning week, and missing half a Friday every fortnight adds up to a tenth of the entire school year. It's not just about consolidating lessons but also fostering social connections and a culture of belonging.

Let's make the most of these moments – reviewing lessons, engaging with peers, and participating in school activities. By collectively emphasizing a strong finish, we contribute to a more enriching educational experience for all at Westbourne

Developing Good Habits

Support your child in practicing good daily habits, such as:

- Finishing homework and placing it in his/ her backpack;
- Laying out clothes and the school reading book in the evening;
- Maintaining a regular bedtime for a good night's sleep;
- Leaving early enough in the morning to get to school on time;
- Turning off electronic devices one hour before bedtime.

Contact the school in the morning to communicate your child's absence.



Every Day Attendance Matters!

MISSING SCHOOL IS LIKE MISSING AN EPISODE OF YOUR FAVOURITE TV SERIES!

AT SCHOOL ✓

MISSING SCHOOL ✗

AT SCHOOL	MISSING SCHOOL
EPISODE 1	EPISODE 4
I'm ready to learn!	I don't get it!
EPISODE 2	EPISODE 5
I understand!	I feel lost!
EPISODE 3	EPISODE???
What's next?	What did I miss?

EVERY LESSON BUILDS THE BIGGER PICTURE

Being in school each day helps children see how everything connects and builds their confidence.

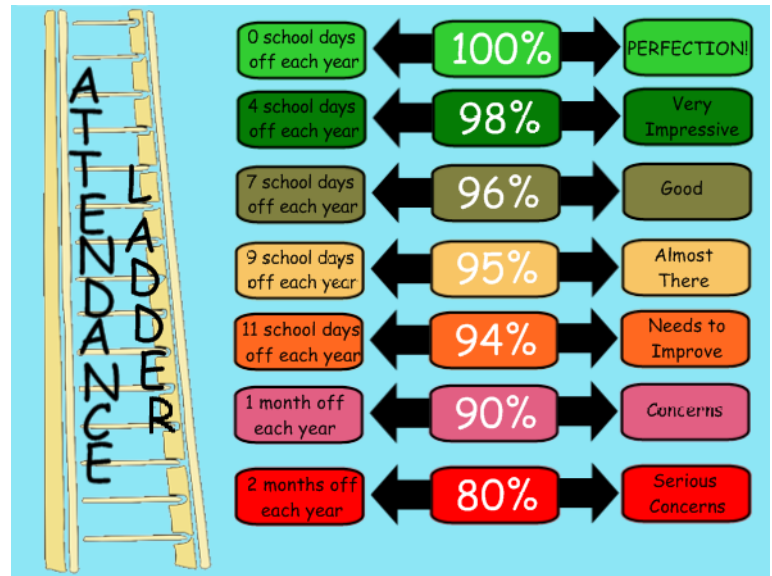


School Matters!



Weekly Attendance

Class	%
Avon	96.0%
Ember	96.3%
Thames	91.7%
Cherwell	96.0%
Ribble	92.0%
Waveney	96.0%
Beverley	94.3%
Eden	94.7%
Mole	99.3%
Fleet	95.8%
Kennet	93.7%
Mersey	98.0%
Dart	96.0%
Lea	91.0%
Tay	98.7%
Medway	92.0%
Tweed	96.7%
Tyne	97.0%
Derwent	97.4%
Trent	96.0%
Wandle	95.0%



This Week's Overall Attendance

Attendance has slightly dropped this week, averaging at **95.4%** - let's get it over 96% next week!



Attendance Policy - Reminder

Attendance is mandatory (and a parental duty) – we expect all children to be at school, unless they are unwell. Attendance is vital for the children's education, socialising and overall well-being, including their economic prosperity and long-term health – children benefit hugely from being at school!

In line with National and Local policy and guidance, we reviewed our Attendance Policy in September, which can be found on our website:

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/westbourne-primary-school/UploadedDocument/514a8ce7-c133-4850-bfbb-64e542b95cba/attendance-policy-sept-2024.pdf>

Please note the following:

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered by schools, in collaboration with the Local Authority through the Attendance Support Team, when the threshold of 10 sessions (half days) of unauthorised absence (together or separate occasions) is met within 10-school-week period – this means it can span weeks, school terms and academic years. Detailed information for parents is available in the Policy Appendix.



Attendance Service
Cantium House, Railway Approach,
SM6 0DZ



National Framework for Penalty Notices – What you need to know.

The following changes will apply from 19th August 2024:

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered by schools when the threshold of 10 sessions (half days) of unauthorised absence (together or separate occasions) is met within 10 school week period – this means it can span weeks, school terms and academic years.

NB – If in an individual case the local authority (or other authorised officer) believes a penalty notice would be appropriate if a non-attendance trend is identified, they retain the discretion to issue one before the threshold is met.

First Offences:

The first penalty notice issued to a parent in respect of a particular pupil will be charged at **£160 if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days.**

Second Offences (within 3 years):

A second penalty notice issued to the same parent in respect of the same pupil is charged at a **flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days.**

Any Further Offence (within 3 years):

A Third Penalty Notice cannot be issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date of issue of the first. If the threshold is met for a third or subsequent times within 3 years, alternative legal intervention will be taken, this may include cases being presented straight to a Magistrates' Court.

For London Borough of Sutton's Penalty Notice Code of Conduct (updated version regarding new framework to come) or further support with any attendance issues, please visit our website:
<https://www.cognus.org.uk/services/attendance-support-team/for-families/>



Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

YEAR 6 PARENT / CARER WORKSHOP: TOP TIPS FOR SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

'Is your child getting ready for the move to secondary school? This transition can bring excitement but also worries and uncertainty. Join us to learn practical, supportive ways to help your child feel more confident and prepared'

- *Is your child mentioning worries about starting secondary school?*
- *Are you wondering how best to support them through the transition?*
- *Do you want practical tips for managing conversations about the move?*
- *Would you like to help your child build confidence and cope with new challenges?*

What you'll gain from the workshop:

- Understanding of common worries about transition
- Tips for supporting anxious thoughts and feelings
- Ideas for helpful conversations and building coping skills

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NHS Trust

Education
Wellbeing
Service



DATES / TIMES

<u>Tuesday 23rd June</u>	6.00-7.00 pm
<u>Wednesday 8th July</u>	12.30-1.30 pm
<u>Monday 10th August</u>	6.00-7.00pm

LOCATION

Online - Hosted on Teams

Sign up to this event
for free on Eventbrite
by scanning the QR Code or
following the link below:

[Click here to book](#)

wellbeinginschoolsevents@swlstg.nhs.uk





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4-8 YEARS

9-16 YEARS

WEEK 2

MON 27 JUL - FRI 31 JUL
Coaches: Jake & Hazel

4-8 YEARS

9-16 YEARS

WEEK 3

MON 3 AUG - FRI 7 AUG
Coaches: Ethan, Julie & Georgina

4-8 YEARS

9-16 YEARS

WEEK 4

MON 10 AUG - FRI 14 AUG
Coaches: Jake & Hazel

4-8 YEARS

9-16 YEARS

WEEK 5

MON 17 AUG - FRI 21 AUG
Coaches: Julie & Ethan

4-8 YEARS

9-16 YEARS

WEEK 6

MON 24 AUG - FRI 28 AUG
Coaches: Jake & Georgina

4-8 YEARS

9-16 YEARS

Camp Pricing	Full Week 9 – 3pm	Full Week Half Day 9 – 12 or 12 – 3pm	Single Full Day	Single Half Day
Member	£168	£94.50	£37.80	£20.25
Non-Member	£183	£109.50	£40.80	£23.25

or for more information and to book email Jake at:

JAKECARRUTHERS1@GMAIL.COM

OR VISIT SUTTONCHURCHSTENNIS.CO.UK

97 & 101 Gander Green Lane, Sutton, Surrey, SM1 2ES

*Only one discount can be applied per booking. *for anyone who books 14 days before the start date ** When both siblings are booked together



19th June 2026



Saturday 11 July 2026
10am – 5pm Tadworth, KT20 5RU



Roll up for a spectacular
day of family circus magic



- Circus performances at 11am and 3pm
- Food and bar
- Circus skills workshop
- Game stalls and creative corner
- Market stalls and more!

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👉 thechildrenstrust.org.uk/circus-fun-day



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Registered charity number 288018. TCT_2426 4/26





Headteacher's Award

**HPL focus: Infants – VAAs. Juniors –
Connection finding; Imagination**

Nursery: Yugan	Kennet: Alan
Avon: Leonardo	Mersey: Patrick
Ember: Rose	Dart: Selena
Thames: Muhammad S	Lea: Suet Hei
Cherwell: Srisurya	Tay: Asher
Ribble: Jinaay	Medway: Charlotte
Waveney: Steven	Tweed: Endior
Beverley: Imsy	Tyne: Sienna
Eden: Uyiosa	Derwent: Laura
Mole: Scarlett	Trent: Hayden
Fleet: Ronnie	Wandle: Raiden

Smart Award

Congratulations to the following children for looking smart in their uniform around the school!



Avon: Haizel	Mersey: Cezar
Ember: Kymani	Dart: Yan
Thames: Willow	Lea: Keona
Cherwell: Jayves	Tay: Mehar
Ribble: Maddison	Medway: Ines
Waveney: Aliyah	Tweed: Aadhya
Beverley: Ryan	Tyne: Nico
Eden: Connor	Derwent: Arnav
Mole: Zyun	Trent: Ava
Fleet: Arjun	Wandle: Muneef
Kennet: Isabel	

Class of the week

Congratulations to the following classes:

Infants: Y2 Eden Class
Juniors: Y4 Dart Class

for their excellent behaviour! Eden Class will have access to the 'Top Fun Bus' whilst Dart Class can go on the 'Trim Trail' or – if wet - use the School Council's Drawing Box!

Lunchtime Awards

YR Avon Class (Infants) and Y3 Fleet Class (Juniors) for showing great manners in the dinner hall at lunchtime! Avon Class will have the privilege of dining at the very special 'top table' in the hall, whereas Fleet Class have exclusive access to the **Reading Shed**.

School Awards

Bronze: Sara R.

Dates for your diary (please also check the Calendar on the website)

Spring Term 2026

WFA Summer Fair

Saturday 27th June between 11:30am -2:30pm

