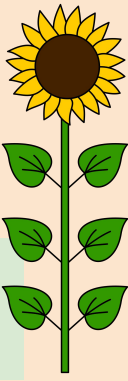


Caterpillars arrived in Nursery!
We learned about their lifecycle.

Nursery



In Summer 1 our topics were 'Sunshine and Sunflowers' and 'Shadows and Reflections'

We watched the caterpillars grow and the butterflies emerge from their chrysalis. Then we released them in our garden.



We hunted for more minibeasts in Forest School.



Ordering numbers to 10.



We made playdough minibeasts.



We were amazed to see how everything had grown during the holidays.



We learned what plants need to grow and planted sunflowers, wild flowers, beans, peas, potatoes, radishes and carrots. WOW!!



Sunflower art using different media.



We explored shadows and reflections and collected and sorted materials that were shiny and dull.



We talked about what we like to do on sunny days and how to keep safe in the sun.





Nursery *continued...*

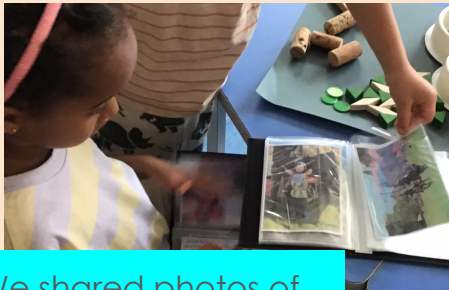
In Summer 2 our topics were 'Big Wide World' and 'Splash!'



We talked about going camping and then made a tent outside with a campfire.



Bedtime stories



We shared photos of our family holidays.



We learned about different habitats around the world and the animals that live there.

I'm going in my car!



We learned about Aboriginal dot art and made our own.

We looked at different food around the world and made our favourite - Pizza!



Transient Art inspired by patterns sound the world.



Making bubble and washing the babies!



Pirate fun!

Is it floating or sinking?



Investigating real shells, seahorses and coral.





Reception



In Summer 1 our topics were 'Sunshine and Sunflowers' and 'Shadows and Reflections'



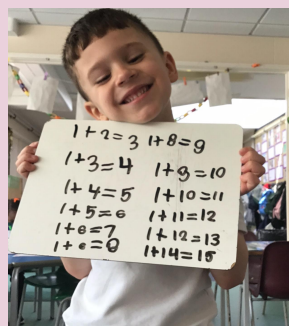
We did an observational painting of sunflowers using cotton buds and forks...



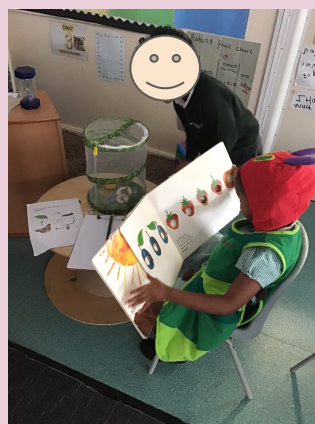
Gymnastics in PE!



In Maths, we learnt about addition and subtraction to 10. Ask us about the Fluent in Five challenge!



Looking after our caterpillars and releasing them as butterflies...



Encouraging healthy eating...



We are Respectful Robins. We learnt about being kind friends... ❤️

Planting sunflowers...





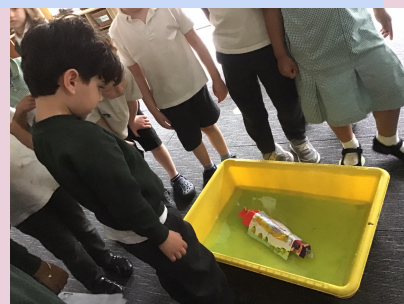
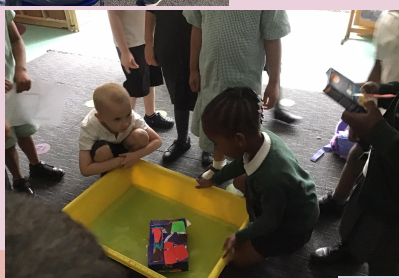
Reception continued...

In Summer 2 our topics were 'Big Wide World' and 'Splash!'

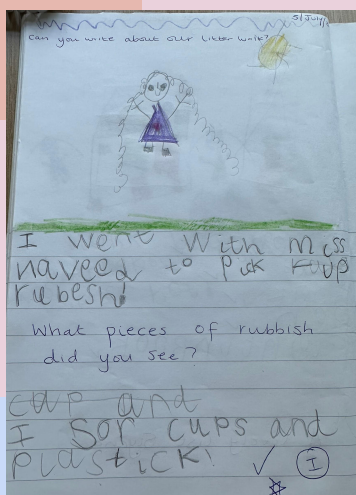
In PSHE we learnt about being clean and hygienic. We washed Ms Claire's hair!



We made our own boats and tested if they would float or sink!



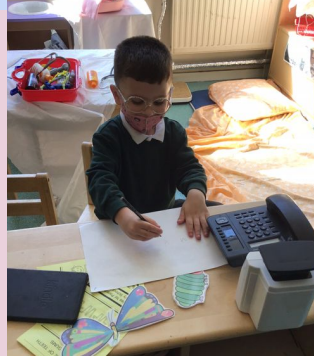
We became a clean up crew and picked up litter from around our school!



Painting buildings from around the world...



Looking after each other in our very own hospital....

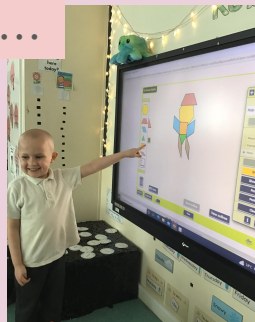
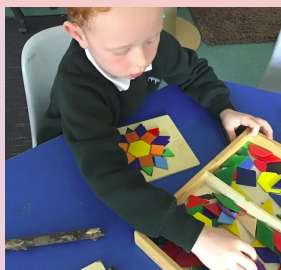
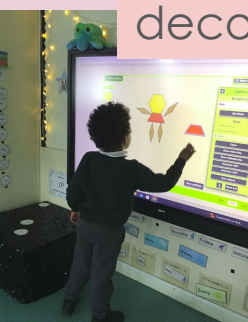


We looked at our baby pictures and discussed past and present.



Can you guess who's who?

Composing and decomposing shapes...



Year 1

In English we read Tyrannosaurus drip and Meerkat Mail. We wrote postcards, instructions and stories.

This term in Maths we have been learning multiplication and division with 2, 5 and 10 times table, fractions learning about whole, halves and quarters of shapes and numbers; money learning about value and recognising coins and notes; an time, learning to tell time to o'clock and half past and understanding calendars and how long a minute is.



In Science we have been learning all about plants. We made collages of flowers and labelled the different parts. We planted sunflower seeds and observed them growing. We also went on a hunt round the school looking at plants and trees and using charts to identify them.

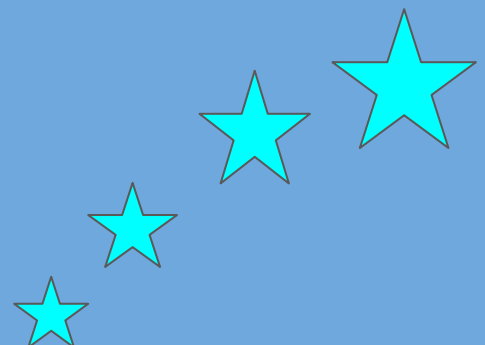
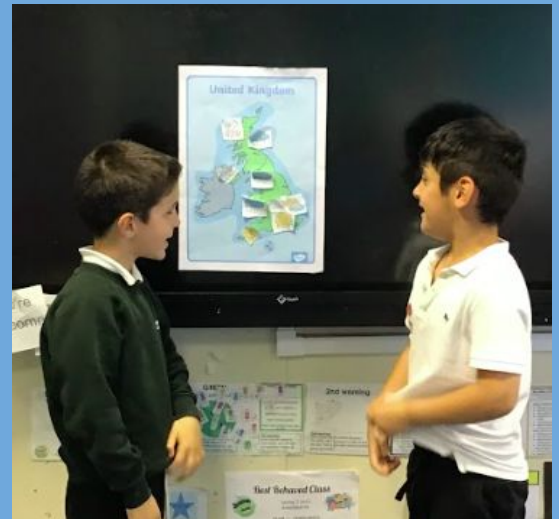


In History we looked at polar explorers, find out about the amazing journeys people have taken to the South Pole and North Pole. We learned about Captains Scott's race to the South Pole and Preet Chaandi becoming the first woman of colour to cross Antarctica in a solo expedition. We also found out about Matthew Henson who was the first man to reach the North Pole.

Year 1 *continued...*



In Geography we have been learning about seasons and weather. We know the UK has 4 seasons, Spring, Summer, Autumn and winter. We looked at different types of weather and thought about which season we usually experience them in and also which types of weather we usually experience in the UK. We had lots of fun making our own weather station and keeping a weather diary. We then became weather forecasters and presented our own weather reports.

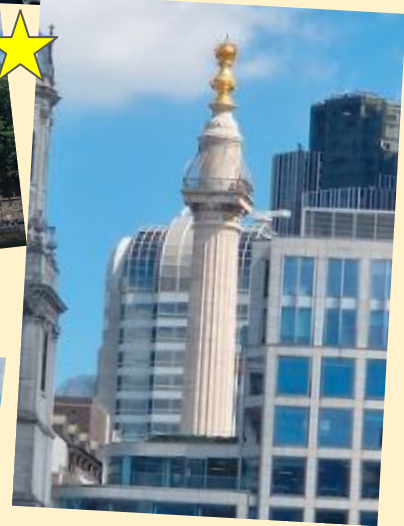


In Geography we have been learning about physical and human features. We have been identifying the various kinds of human and physical features in Kenya.

Year 2



On our River Cruise in Westminster, central London, we were able to identify several human features, including the Great Fire of London Monument, Tower Bridge and the Tower of London. Can you spot them on this page?



We have been busy in all our subjects in Year 2, but these have been the busiest times in our learning journey...

Year 2 *continued...*

We have also been learning about Sikhism in RE and had a great time visiting the local Gurudwara- a Sikh temple.

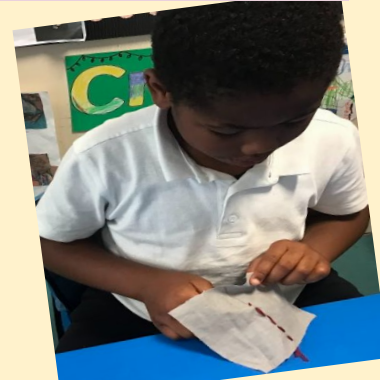
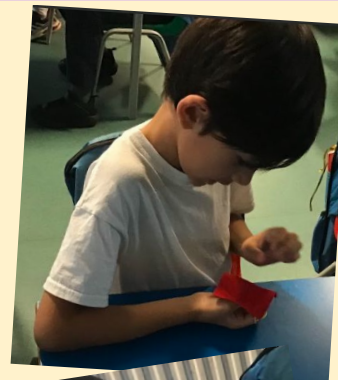


At this place of workshop we learnt more about their religious stories and had lungar- a special sample of food.



In Art, we have been busy learning clay techniques including rolling, imprinting and adding textures. We made clay pots and a clay

In DT, we have been learning how to make a running stitch and use this technique to make pouch!



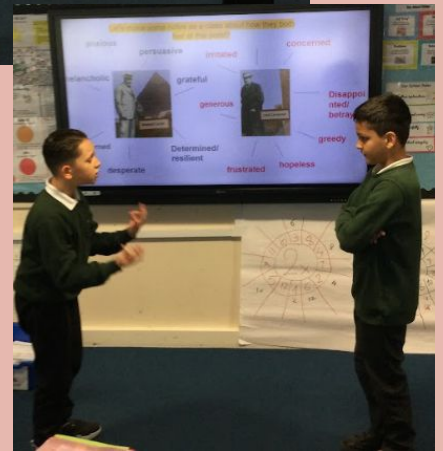
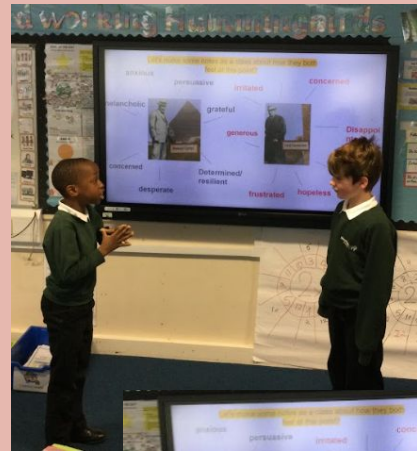
Hard working Year 3 Hummingbirds

Role play and drama activities are an intrinsic part of our English lessons.

Take a look at Year 3 acting out a scene from our text 'The Egyptian Cinderella'



This is Hummingbirds class demonstrating their understanding of historical figures' feelings through their language and actions.



ART

In Year 3, we were so excited to learn all about Ancient Egypt. Among all the many achievements of the ancient Egyptians was the invention of **papyrus** paper. Take a look at the fantastic year 3 young artists making and decorating their own papyrus papers with Hieroglyphics.



What an amazing time we all had in our trip to the Science museum! We had so much fun being part of an explosive show and explored the Turned it up music exhibition!

Year 3 *continued...*



In Year 3 our love for Science is strong due to our curious personalities. We always have questions about everything and why things are the way they are.

In Spring 1, for our topic 'Plants' we conducted a science investigation when we were growing our own bean plant. We were able to predict and observe 👁️ over time, whether seeds germinate in soil, sand, paper or just water.

science

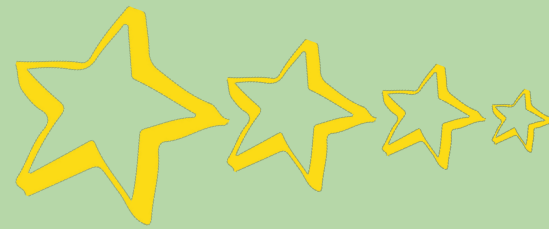
For our '**Light**' topic in summer 2, we conducted an experiment and investigated which objects can be seen in the dark. We were quite surprised by the results, as lots of us were able to see different items.

Check out how proud we were sharing our results.





Year 4



In English this term we have been writing a balanced argument and our book, "The Paper Bag Prince" was also the springboard for some drama activities.



We have been improving our oracy skills by holding debates on a range of topics, from river pollution to whether children should be allowed to vote in general elections.

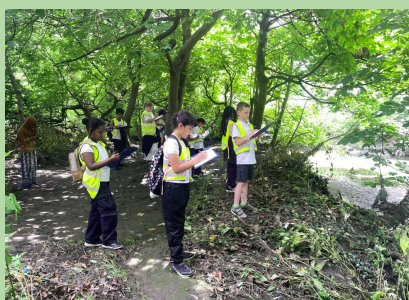


The Summer Term is a very busy time for Maths. Sparrows Class has worked very hard to expand their knowledge of time, money and shape in addition to more work on fractions and decimals.



Our final History topic of the year was the Vikings and this provided the inspiration for making a typical Viking soup in our DT lessons.

In Geography this term we have been continuing our learning about rivers by planning and conducting a field trip to the River Brent to measure the speed of the river at different points.

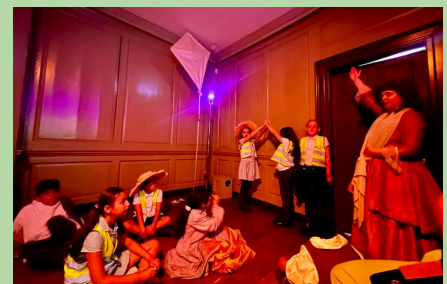




Year 4 continued...



This term we went on a trip to the Benjamin Franklin House in central London. The children had a fantastic time and learned about electricity and lightning, as well as some of the history of Benjamin Franklin and his contributions to Science.



In Science we have been learning about classifying living things. We were able to make good use of the Woodlands Forest School to search for invertebrates to classify.



In Music, Sparrows Class has really enjoyed learning to play the recorder!



We have many talented artists in Sparrows class and this term we have been working on our painting skills and learning to tint and shade our colours to create a 3D effect.





Year 5

#keenkingfishers



Our Ancient Greek Day was packed with excitement. We baked honey oat biscuits and prepared a special drink called Greek Kykeon, made from barley and fresh lemons. We recited choral poems and due to the rain had a delightful indoor picnic.



St Barnabas Church Visit



We visited St. Barnabas Church, which connected to our RE topic. We were given a tour and learned about the church's history.

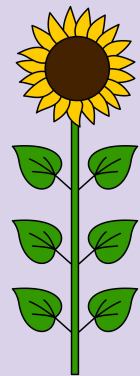




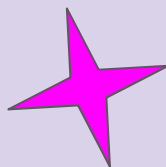
Year 5 *continued...*



In Year 5, we had an exciting time planting seeds and observing their growth. We learned about the reproduction of plants by nurturing our seeds into mature plants. This hands-on experience was not only educational but also practical, as we used the fresh herbs we grew in our recipes for Ancient Greek Day. The ingredients added a special touch to our honey oat biscuits and Greek Kykeon, making our day even more memorable.



In Year 5, we had a fantastic time acting out a scene from the story of Orpheus. This activity was not only fun but also helped us develop our skills in writing our balanced arguments. By immersing ourselves in the characters and their perspectives, we gained a deeper understanding of different viewpoints, which enriched our discussions and writing. This experience was instrumental in honing our ability to present well-rounded arguments in our writing.



Year 6

We have had a very busy final term...



May: We **sparkled** our way through **SATs week** showing the school's values of **resilience, determination and self-belief**.

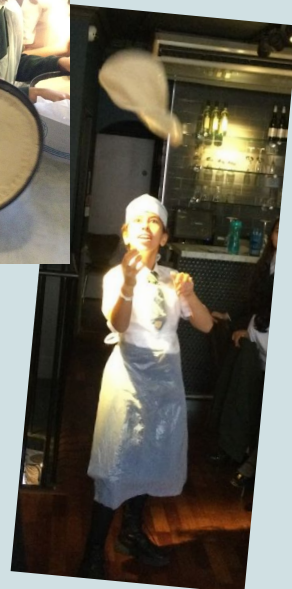
May: To enhance our **RE learning**, we visited the **West London Islamic Centre**.



May: We participated in a **Hamlet drama workshop** led by one of the actors (Hamlet himself!) in school before going to a **performance of the play** at the **Orange Tree Theatre in Richmond**.



June: We visited **Pizza Express**, where we learnt about **food hygiene** before making our own pizza. We enjoyed eating them back in school!

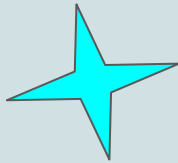
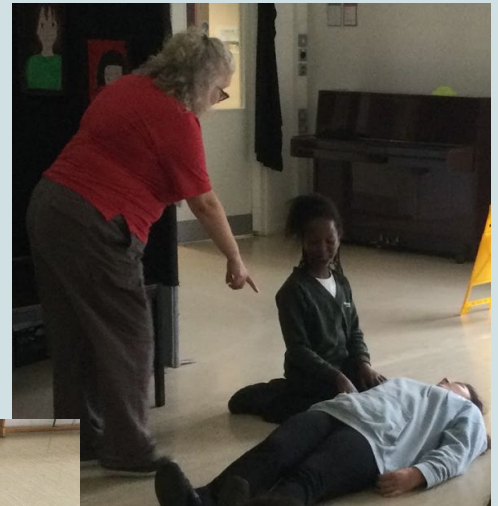


June: TFL workshop - we were given some top tips for **keeping safe** as we become more **independent travellers**.

Year 6 *continued...*

#alwaysourbest

July: First Aid Workshop - We had fun learning some **basic first aid skills**.



July: Year 6 would not be complete without a **production**. This year we staged, 'Mystery at Magpie Manor'. The Y6 team would like to say: **Thank you to Mr Jones** (music, lighting), **Ms Mascall, Ms Hamid & Mr Grant** (set design, props and costumes) and **Mrs Gostelow** (costumes).



Year 6 *continued...*

#alwaysourbest

July: We have created **lasting memories** during our **residential...**



or **in school...**



Thank you **Ms Mascall** & **Ms Moxom** for leading our activities.

Goodbye Year 6

You are a very different class now to the class that you were in September: it has been lovely to watch you ALL become more resilient and confident. I have enjoyed teaching you and I know that every one of you has the potential to sparkle brightly if you remember to Never Say Never!

#alwayssourbest

Mrs Kanval

PS Always remember to smell lovely! 😊

This has been a fabulous experience. Thank you for the many years of memories we have shared , some from Nursery to Year 6. Tears of happiness and sadness as you explore new learning experiences, now it is time to continue your journey into high school and flourish.

Remember to stay focused and the life skills you have been taught in Year 6. I will miss you all.

Ms Mascall

The children in Reception really look up to you! They loved when you have come in to help us with various things! I wish you all the best of luck on your new journey into high school.

Always remember Woodlands!

Miss Naveed

Dear Year 6,

As you embark on your exciting journey to high school, I want to take a moment to say how much I loved teaching you in Year 5. Each of you brought unique energy and enthusiasm to our class, and I have cherished every moment we spent together. You have grown so much. You will always hold a special place in my heart. Wishing you all the best in high school and beyond.

With warmest regards,

Mrs Dharsani

To Year 6,

Well done for all that you have achieved throughout your time at Woodlands. I will never forget teaching you in Year 3 and I was fortunate enough to teach some of you again in Year 6 for English and Maths lessons. You have grown so much both in your academic achievements and with your personal goals. Always remember to show kindness to those around you and demonstrate how amazing you are to those you meet in life. A great first impression goes a long way! It was lovely to see your enthusiasm for 'golden games' this year too.

All the best wishes in the world.
Miss Moxom



Goodbye Year 6

Good Luck and best Wishes in your new schools Year 6.
I was with most of you in year 1 and it is unbelievable how the time has flown by so fast. You have grown into tall, confident students now all ready for your next chapter in education.
Great to end the term with all the team work involved at PGL. An experience never to be forgotten.
Keep learning smiling and safe.
We will miss you!
Miss Claire.

What a lovely year group! You should all be very proud of how much you have accomplished this year! You have been a true role models for the younger children. Everyone at Woodlands is going to miss your happy faces. Good luck in your next steps and have fun in High School! Take lots of happy memories and all of the values you have learnt and remember to shine in whatever the future may bring!

Ms Demollari

Good luck in the future!!
I am so very proud of all of you and I am going to miss you all. I still remember looking after you all in year 2. Come back and visit us all. Enjoy your summer
Miss Helen.

Dear Year 6,
It is with great pride that I look at the wonderful young people you have become, all grown up and ready to leave the Woodlands nest.
For some of you, I was your first teacher at the school in Nursery and Reception; this is hard to believe as most of you are taller than me now!
I loved teaching you and wish you every success for your future. Remember to always try your best and be fabulous!

Mrs Sherborne



Congratulations on all of your successes and achievements at Woodlands Academy Year 6. You are a Class of many different skills and interests - it will be fascinating to see who you all are in another 10 years! For now, enjoy a summer of fun before you embark on your next journey at secondary school. Always dig deep, always be kind and listen to great music! 🎵
All the best,
Mr Jones

Goodbye Year 6

Dear Year 6,

Good luck as you move forward and go to your new high schools. I am sure you will all exceed and succeed in all you do. It has been a privilege watching you all grow into the wonderful young people you are today.

Best wishes,
Ms Ashley.

Year 6,

It has been a fabulous experience working alongside you all. Well done for all that you have achieved over the past few years. You are all growing up to be amazing individuals. Remember to always stay positive and believe in yourselves always. Good luck for the future! Miss Campbell

Dear Year 6,

It has been a pleasure watching you grow over the years into such mature young adults.

I am extremely proud of what you have achieved throughout your Woodlands journey.!

I wish you all the best for high school and remember that everything is possible.

Good luck, enjoy, make memories and I look forward to seeing you in years to come. Ms Chamberlain ❤️

I have had the absolute pleasure of being your teacher in year 2 (for some of you; not all the wonderful newbies that joined later). You were my first ever class here at Woodlands. That year had been a strange and uncertain time. However, you have grown into a confident and maturing group of children. It has been lovely exchanging smiles and brief conversations over the years. I particularly enjoyed the ones beginning with 'Miss I remember being in Year 2'. Thank you for whatever kindness you showed and continue to grow. All the best for the future!. Miss Chatrath

Dear Year 6,

We started at Woodlands at the same time- you were in Reception when I first joined as Assistant Head. It has been a pleasure to witness you grow into the confident people you are now and I wish you all the best for the future. Always remember to show respect, be resilient, determined and believe in yourself! Have a fantastic summer holiday and enjoy your new schools!

Ms Hasker

Extra curricular
Holiday opportunities
for children

This Summer, EAA Sports are running a sports summer camp for 16 days at Woodlands Academy. It is part of the Ealing HAF programme, which is limited to 30 places. Contact them below to book.



	Woodlands Academy Hathaway Gardens W13 0DH	CAMP DATES
	9am - 3pm	5th - 8th Aug 12th - 15th Aug 19th - 22nd Aug 27th - 30th Aug
EXTENDED DAY RATES! To enjoy summer camp for that extra bit longer, you can opt for our exclusive offer to HAF parents for 2 more hours of camp for just £15! Please contact us or to speak to the coaches on the day!		£15 PER DAY
07935390905 Info@eaasports.net		£40 PER WEEK

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

<https://www.ealingfamiliesdirectory.org.uk/kb5/ealing/directory/home.page>

Click Ealing HAF tab

Click HAF Bookings

Bookings are open – click here

<https://ealingcouncil.coordinate.cloud/>



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Why take part in Holiday Activities?

- It's fun!
- It can give the parent / carers a break
- Enjoy opportunities for new experiences that your child may not be able to access during term time
- Young people gain a variety of skills and understandings from organised out-of-school activities*
- Young people get improved self-control and confidence*
- Builds 'cultural capital' - the social and cultural knowledge that can help a student make progress in education. It's what we learn that is not explicitly taught.
- All experiences are learning experiences – what we learn can be a mix of practical skills and knowledge as well as softer skills such as building friendships, turn taking, getting along with people etc.

How to support your child's wellbeing by focusing on the 5 ways to wellbeing.

It is important that children have a good balance of the 5 ways to wellbeing:

- **Being active**- movement is very important for the mind
- **Connect with others**- staying in touch with friends and family can help your mood.
- **Taking notice**- looking at your surroundings and enjoying what nature has to offer.
- **Keep learning**- continue learning new information and keeping the brain working.
- **Give**- being kind to others can make you feel good.

Will you be able to achieve 5 a day?

What's on in Ealing for families during the school holidays?

Where can you find out what's on?

www.ealingfamiliesdirectory.org.uk

www.childcare.co.uk

www.timeout.com/london

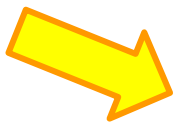
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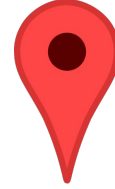
<https://youngealingfoundation.org.uk/> - click What's on in Ealing

www.youngealing.co.uk/

<https://libraries.ealing.gov.uk/events>



Local places of interest



<https://www.pitzhanger.org.uk/> Free entry for Ealing Borough residents on select days and times (also free if you are receipt of Universal Credit at anytime) Also lots of summer activities

[What's on | apple-play](#) – **Acton Park** - free activities and ideas.

Hobbycraft Workshops – Greenford Hobbycraft Online and In-Store Craft Workshops | Hobbycraft (classbento.co.uk) approx. £5 check link for dates

Pets at Home – Greenford

<https://community.petsathome.com/events/child-workshop/my-pet-pals-summer/> FREE 45 minutes workshops for children throughout school holiday

<https://www.visitgunnersbury.org/> a range of free and small fee activities at **Gunnersbury Museum**

<https://www.facebook.com/Pedalosinthepark/> available at **Gunnersbury Park and Northala Hills** – small charge for hire

<https://park-play.com/parks/greater-london/> Most Saturdays – rain or shine. Free to attend. Children under 8 will need to be accompanied by an adult. 3 locations in Southall

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/northalafields-juniors/> A free, fun, and friendly weekly 2k event for juniors aged 4 – 14 years every Sunday at 9am. Also in Acton Park, Pitzhanger Park and Osterley.

London: Many museums in London have free entry. E.g Natural History Museum, Science Museum, British Museum, Saatchi Gallery, Museum of London, Victoria and Albert Museum, The National Gallery, Tate Modern.

For other ideas visit:

<https://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/hub/things-to-do>

Free outdoor cinema for the summer

Just outside of Ealing but just a short bus ride away is The Brentford Project and this summer they are hosting a free outdoor cinema for anyone to enjoy.

Throughout July and August, Everyman on the Water (outdoor cinema) has a full and varied schedule and offers something for everyone. No booking required. Seats offered on a first come, first served basis.

Find out more here:

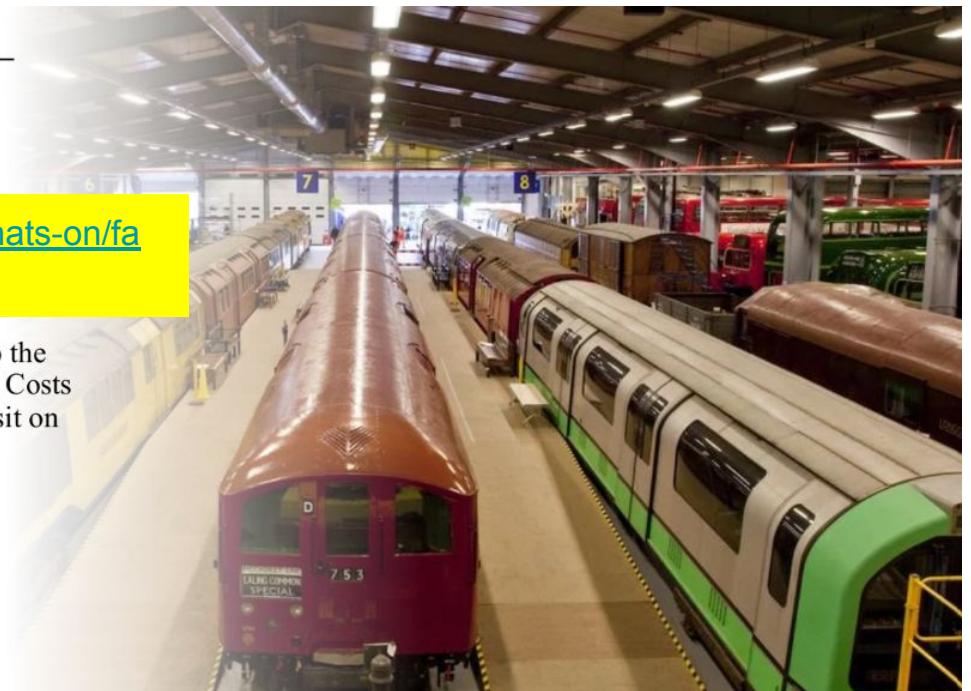
<https://www.thebrentfordproject.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Everyman-on-the-Water-Film-Listings.pdf>



Hidden Gem – Acton Depot

<https://www.ltmuseum.co.uk/whats-on/family-events/depot-family-tours>

Acton Depot is connected to the London Transport Museum. Costs are from £6 for a child to visit on select days in Summer.



FREE School Uniform Store – Ealing Broadway

The School Uniform Store is back and will be open daily from Saturday 3rd August to Sunday 18th August (10am – 4pm) Families can choose up to four items of uniform for free without having to make a donation.

- If you have spare clothes to donate:
 - The donation box will be open from Friday 7th June next to Flying Tiger Copenhagen’.
 - We welcome branded and unbranded core uniform items and sportswear. This can include footwear and school bags.
 - We kindly request that any donations are hand-me-down quality and laundered.

Find out more here:

<https://www.ealingbroadwayshopping.co.uk/event/school-uniform-store>



Goodbyes



Goodbye and Good luck Ms Naveed!



We are very sad to have to say goodbye to Ms Naveed, our current Reception teacher but wish her the best of luck in the next chapter of her teaching career in Dubai.



Ms Naveed joined us at Woodlands two years ago, starting her teaching career with us. During her time at Woodlands, she has made a significant impact on those she has taught and their families. Everyday the children were greeted with a happy, positive energy from a very special and dedicated teacher. She invested time getting to know the interests of each of the pupils in her class and therefore developed great relationships with them and their families.

This year, Ms Naveed's contribution to PE has been fantastic, encouraging the children to be more enthusiastic for sports by being active and helping us to achieve Bronze Award at the recent Sports Awards ceremony. Ms Naveed helped to train our new sports play leaders and we now have a group of enthusiastic pupils who are leading fun active games for KS1 pupils in the playground at lunchtimes. She also helped children develop their confidence in dance by organising our new half termly event- THE BIG DANCE!



Ms Naveed helped to organise sports trips this year too, giving our pupils a range of different sporting opportunities outside of school and ran Dance Club and Arts and Crafts Club.

Ms Naveed, we know that your creativity will continue to sparkle in your new classroom. You will be greatly missed by children, staff and parents. Your new school are very lucky to have such an inspirational teacher and we hope you flourish in all that you do in the next stage of your teaching career. We look forward to you telling us all about Dubai.



From everyone at Woodlands



Rockstar
day



Big
dance



Phonics



Making learning fun



Playleaders

Goodbye to our Year 6 pupils. We wish you the best of luck and success in High School. We hope you come back to visit us!

Welcome

Welcome to Ms Hersi

We are excited to share with you that we will be welcoming Ms Hersi in September as our new Reception teacher. She came into school today to meet some of her new class and is looking forward to joining the Woodlands team in September.

Happy Holidays

Dear families,

Thank you for all of your ongoing support this academic year. This newsletter is a perfect example of all of the wonderful things we have to celebrate at Woodlands. We are very proud of our small nurturing community school and all of the exciting opportunities we can offer our pupils. Our school social media presence on Instagram and Facebook has been a great avenue to share this learning with the community.

Wellbeing is always at the heart of everything we do at Woodlands and seeing pupils develop in confidence has been wonderful to see. Our newest school value of resilience has been demonstrated by so many of our pupils this year and I hope that this ability to overcome challenges in their learning is a skill they continue to develop next year and beyond. We appreciate that family life has its challenges, which can at times impact learning. However, the support of families plays a crucial role in helping pupils achieve and progress with their learning, so we appreciate all that you have done for your children. Working together is the key to success!

Remember to have open and regular conversations with your children about being safe online by following the 4Cs→ Please visit our [online safety page](#)

Wishing you a safe and happy Summer Holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone back at the start of term.
Miss Moxom (Assistant Headteacher)

CONTENT

Are you accessing age appropriate information?

*The
4Cs*

CONDUCT

Are you behaving responsibly towards others?

Online Safety

CONTACT

Do you know who you are talking to online?

COMMERCIALISM

Are you aware of the hidden costs and advertising in apps/ websites?

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See you back in school on Wednesday 4th September 2024 at 8:30am.
Remember to be on time.

Term dates for next year are available [here](#).