

NEWSLETTER Friday 3rd July 2026

Dear Parents,

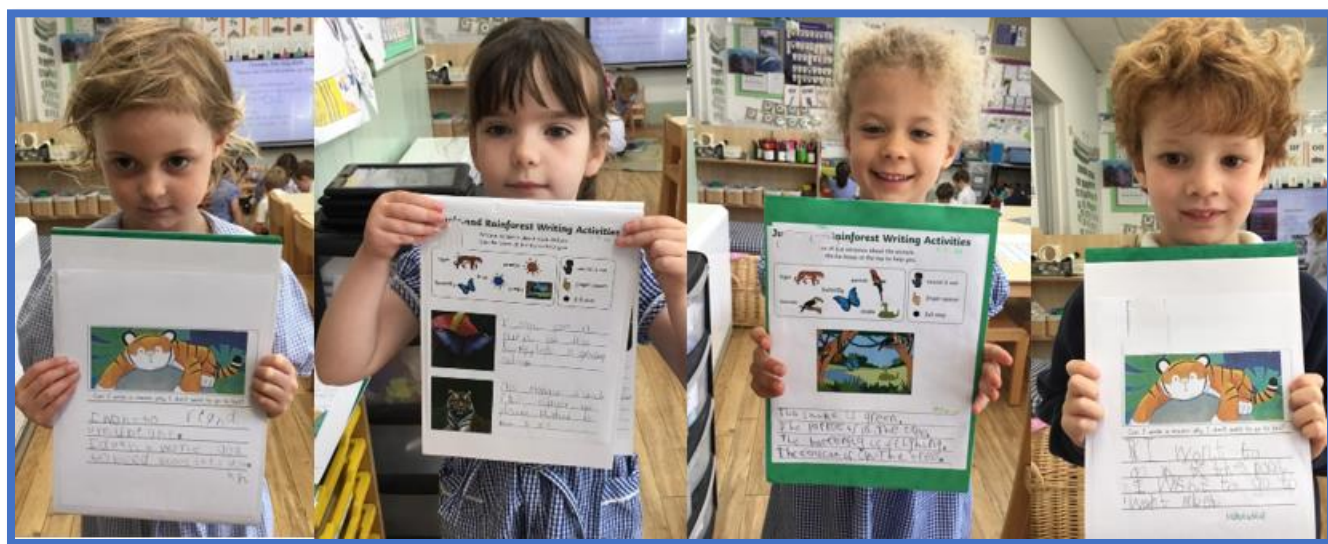
It feels like time is whizzing past! Rehearsals are in full swing and educational visits in full flight! Read on for all that has been happening in school.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2/3/6/7/8.6.26	Class 4 swimming lessons
8.7.26	KS2 Wizard of OZ dress rehearsal – for local community
9.7.26	KS2 Production – The Wizard of Oz, Landscope Village Hall 2pm for parents and families of Class 3 Please note that all children will come back to school to change back into their normal clothes before going home – this may mean we run a little late at home time. Thank you for your support with this.
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13/14.7.26	Class 3 residential
13/14/15.7.26	Y6 Bikeability
20.7.26	Kip running music workshops for C1, C2 & C3
21.7.26	Year 6 leavers service, 10am St Matthew's, refreshments at school afterwards Break up today

LANDSCOPE LEARNERS

Class 1 have been busy wowing us with their writing this week! They have taken inspiration from the story of a jungle tiger who doesn't want to go to bed. I have given out lots of gold stickers this week!



Class 2 have been busy developing their scientific skills through an exciting investigation: Can we build a waterproof house?

They worked in teams to build a shelter for a biscuit before testing our houses by pouring a cup of water over

the top. Lots of us managed to keep our biscuits completely dry and we worked out the best houses used waxy leaves so the water ran off, together with lots of layers to cover the holes. Great job Class 2!



Class 3 children have dived into the fascinating world of rivers as part of our geography learning! They used a range of materials to build a model of the course of their river, including the upper, middle and lower features.



Class 4 enjoyed a fantastic day of Geography fieldwork, visiting local renewable energy sites to deepen their understanding of renewable energy sources. The children explored the wind turbine at Marley Head, the solar farm and wood-fuel boiler at Dartington Estate, and finished the day at Totnes Weir Hydro Power Plant. A huge thank you to the Totnes Renewable

Energy Society for guiding us around each site and helping us understand both the benefits and challenges of different renewable energy technologies. The children asked some fantastic questions and gained a real

insight into the sustainable energy sources in our local area Following this the children had a great day of workshops linked to renewables. They began their morning by creating lemon batteries, experimenting with multi-meters and investigating solar circuits. In the afternoon, the children constructed and tested their own cardboard Savonius wind turbines. What a fun, hands-on day of scientific discovery and learning

ETHOS, VISION & VALUES

Living out our values isn't just for the children – our school values have been lived out with bells and whistles by the Sear family! **A big thank you goes to Rebecca Sear and Nana Christine** for all the time and effort they've put into our Wizard of Oz production.

Together, they have sourced, made, and fitted all of the costumes, helping bring each character to life in a thoughtful and practical way.

Rebecca has also worked her socks off by seeking free paint and creating the scenes of Oz on the set, giving us a bright, engaging backdrop for the show. Thanks to her work, the village hall stage looks wonderful and full of character.

Their contribution has made a real difference to the overall look and feel of the production, and it's very much appreciated by everyone involved – there's no way we could have pulled this off without you both!



SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Layering Up for Online Safety - Protecting children and mitigating risk at home doesn't just mean applying a filter and changing a few app settings, it needs a layered approach, and this is where the Internet Matters 'Layering Up for Online Safety' comes in. This helps and guides you to set up devices safely across networks, the devices themselves and the apps alongside regular conversations. There is a downloadable guide which will show you how to layer up in a simple, manageable way. <https://www.internetmatters.org/setupsafe/>

Attendance: (Our school target is 96.8%)	
Whole school	95.0%
Class 1	95.2%
Class 2	94.8%
Class 3	96.1%
Class 4	94.0%
Well done to Class 3!	

If you are concerned about a child's wellbeing, please contact the school or in non-school hours contact FRONTDOOR on 0345 155 1071. Our designated safeguarding officer is Mrs. Ryder, and the deputy safeguarding officer is Mr. Ansermoz.

That's all for now, have a lovely weekend!

Jill Ryder.