

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 15

11TH MAY 2026



‘Transforming lives through inspirational learning’ ✨

We would like to open this newsletter with a special mention to our Year 6 children in Stag Class. They have worked incredibly hard throughout this academic year in preparation for their SATs this week. Mr Cocks and the team are so proud of each and every one of you. You are incredible young people!

You are kind, resilient and capable.

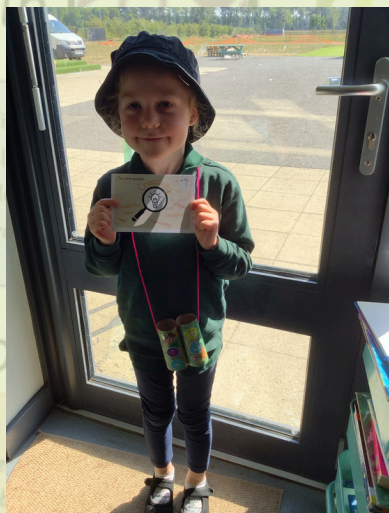
Do your very best, and always remember that these tests do not define who you are or all the wonderful things that make you special.

Good luck, Stag Class... we believe in you and are cheering you on every step of the way.

★ The last couple of weeks have been packed full of wonderful learning experiences from a visit from one of our parents in year 3 teaching the children about illustrating to creating rainforest presentations in year 4. With moments of joy along the way including our bubble day!

Our Values

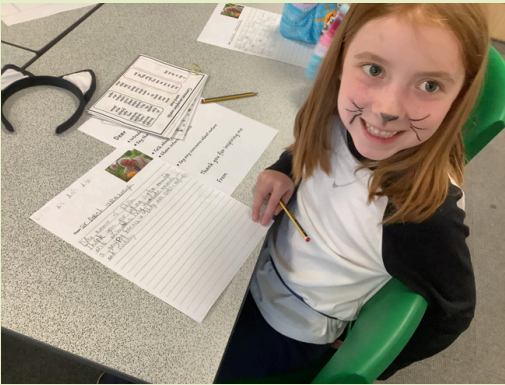
Recently we have been focusing on the values of Citizenship and Character. Children across the school have been working hard to contribute to our school community and demonstrate resilience with their learning. Keep it up everyone!



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SIR DAVID ATTENBOROUGH



This Friday, we celebrated Sir David Attenborough and all he has done to educate and inspire people about the natural world, as well as his continued message about caring for the planet we call home. Children across the school wrote thoughtful letters of thanks, learnt more about our planet, and took time to reflect on the small changes they can make to help protect it for future generations.



Thanks to the amazing support of our PFA, the children also enjoyed a truly memorable visit from some magnificent birds of prey, this was an experience enjoyed by everyone from Pinecones through to Year 6. Your generous donations and continued support of the PFA help make enriching opportunities like this possible, so a huge thank you to all of our families!



BUBBLE DAY

As promised we intend to plan in moments of joy this term for children and staff. Friday 1st May we enjoyed our first Bubble Day! Children across the school loved it, and it was wonderful to see such happiness across the school. A big thank you to Nails BY H who sponsored this event by buying a large majority of bubbles to make this event possible.

We will keep you updated with any new events coming up but do be on the look out as the team may surprise you before the end of term with some silly and unexpected things!



Y5 & Y6 ORIENTEERING

Some of our Year 5 and 6 children went to High Lodge last week to take part in an orienteering event with other schools in the Forest Heath Sports Partnership. They showed tremendous collaboration and teamwork to find their way around the course using their map-reading skills. A huge congratulations to our Year 6 team for finishing second overall. They will now go on to represent Forest Heath in the Suffolk finals in June.



As a school we are continuing to develop OPAL and we will be sending a plea for some more resources as some of our things now need replenishing. Please let us know if you would like to support in anyway.





PFA NEWS



RED LODGE COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

A big thank you to all the families that joined us for our first Community Litter Pick! It was a great success and the children worked hard to help keep our village clean and tidy.



We received some lovely feedback from the community, both during and after the event, so keep an eye out for future dates! A final thank you to the Parish Council for helping to coordinate the event and kindly providing us with refreshments at the end!

RED LODGE MUSIC FESTIVAL – SATURDAY 23RD MAY

The PFA are fortunate to be one of the beneficiaries of monies raised at the festival again this year. Raffle tickets will be making their way home with the children so please keep an eye out for them in their bags. If you would like to purchase any tickets, please return the completed stubs along with the money, in an envelope clearly marked 'Raffle Tickets' by 18th May. Alternatively, please return any unused tickets to the office.

Reminder! We are still looking for volunteers to help with the children's area on the day.

If you can spare some time, please follow the link to sign up: [Red Lodge Music Festival](#)

[PFA Volunteer Sign Up](#)

PFA NEWS



SIR DAVID ATTENBOROUGH DAY – ANIMAL EXPERIENCE

The PFA were delighted to fund Friday's animal experience, which was enjoyed by the whole school! The cost of this was £609 and it is thanks to your continued support of the PFA events that we have been able to fund this experience for every child.

TUCK SHOP!

Thank you to our star bakers who are kindly donating home-made treats for Tuck Shop! If you would like to get involved, please send us a message!

Future Tuck Shop dates:

22nd May

12th June

3rd July

10th July

TUCK SHOP



SUMMER OF FUN....

Friday Fun Music - Every Friday lunchtime on the playground

FUN!

WC 11th May - SATs Week

19th May - 5.30pm Y6 Residential Information Evening

20th May - Y2 Wandlebury Trip

20th May - 2.30pm YR Forest School Picnic with parents

Hello!

20th May - Lightwave Slow Cooking Event - Spaces available

22nd May - 3pm Y2 Parents invited into classroom

25th-29th May - Half Term

3rd June - Lightwave Slow Cooking Event

WC 8th June - Y1 Phonics Check

15th-17th June - Y6 Residential

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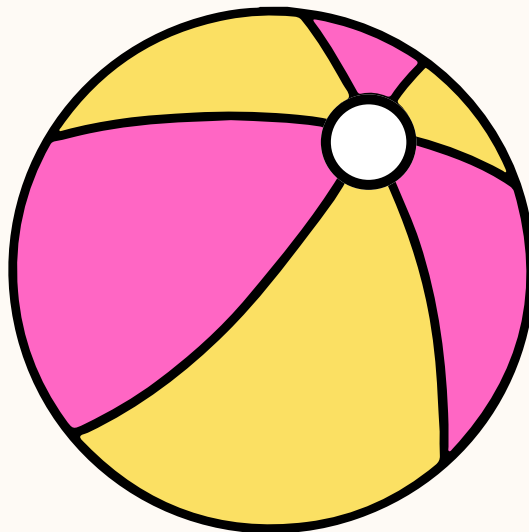
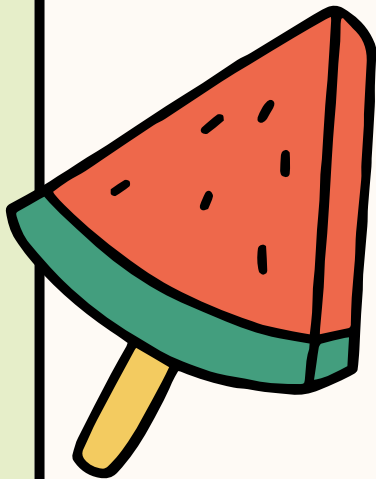
26th June - Y5 Kentwell Hall Trip

FUN!

26th June - PFA Summer Disco

1st July - 9.15am-12.30pm - Sports Day and Family Picnic

The Pines Has Got Talent - details to follow



Hello
Summer!