



## Weekly Bulletin

Summer 1

WEEK 5 – Friday 15th May 2026

This half term's values are:

**COURAGE**

### Biblical Verse of the Week

Do not be afraid or discouraged.  
For the Lord your God is with you  
wherever you go.

**Joshua 1:9**



### Head's Update

#### **A Special Thank You to Tony Frost**

We want to extend a huge thank you to **Tony Frost at the Congregational Church** for allowing our school to visit the chapel last Friday afternoon to watch the live link for Sir David Attenborough's birthday. We were having some issues accessing the online link at school due to internet problems, and Tony came through at the eleventh hour to help. We are so grateful for his support and the wonderful community partnership we have.

#### **Year 6 SATs Week – We are so Proud!**

This week was **SATs week for our Year 6 pupils**, and we couldn't be more proud of all of them for the hard work they have put in and for trying their best. Each morning this week, our Year 6s came in early to enjoy breakfast together with Mrs Wright to get everyone ready for the assessments each day. We ended the SATs week with a visit to the park for the whole class to enjoy together. A big thank you to **Mrs Wright and Mrs Smith** for supporting our Year 6 pupils with the build-up to SATs and throughout this week.

#### **Swimming Pool Update**

Work on the swimming pool is on track, and we are looking forward to using it when we return after the May half-term. You will have received an information letter from the school office outlining what your child will need to bring to school for swimming ready for the first week back on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. You will receive further information from your child's teacher on Class Dojo on what days they will be swimming in the week.

### **Children Playing Outside Unsupervised**

As children grow and become more independent, families begin to consider when it's appropriate for them to play outside without adult supervision. We wanted to share some guidance to support informed decisions for children's safety and independence. There is **no legal age in the UK** for a child to play outside unsupervised. However, **it is illegal to leave a child unsupervised if it places them at risk**. Research suggests most parents allow children to play outside unsupervised from **11 years old**, or by the final years of primary school (ages 9–11). When deciding whether your child is ready to play outside unsupervised, consider:

- **Maturity and Responsibility:** Does your child understand road safety? Do they know their address and how to handle unexpected situations? (e.g., strangers, getting lost)
- **Environment:** Think about your local area – traffic levels, proximity to water, construction sites, or other hazards.
- **Building Independence Gradually:** Many parents start with smaller steps, such as walking to the local shop or playing on a quiet cul-de-sac, before allowing wider independence.

According to studies, children today are granted freedom around **two years later** than their parents were, with many not playing outside alone until they are roughly 11. However, experts from organisations like the **NSPCC** suggest that allowing children to build up their independence **gradually through safe, managed outdoor play** is beneficial for their development. We have attached guidance from the NSPCC for your information to support you in making the right decision for your family.

Have a good weekend everyone. Mrs Singh

### Attendance

This week's attendance is:	<b>96.90%</b>
Overall attendance (this year) is:	<b>95.34%</b>



### Sports Awards of the Week

Acorn: Martha  
 Pine: Delilah  
 Oak: Ella



Class	Learning Champ	Learning Champ
Pre-School	Angus	Roman
Acorn	Martha	Jessica K
Pine	Evie	Whole Class
Oak	Lydia	Laura



### Dance/Gymnastics Stars of the Week

Preschool: Felix H  
 Acorn: Miller & Maisie  
 Pine/Oak: Aria



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Acorn	Pine	Oak
Bella	Isaac	Molly

### Reminders

### Diary Dates (2026)

11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS Week
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Open Classrooms Drop in from 3.15 to 4.15 pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Summer Term 1 ends
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Summer Term 2 begins
1 <sup>st</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos
8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Pre school Sports Day
20 <sup>th</sup> June	PTFA Summer Fair
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	EYFS Father's Day games
25 <sup>th</sup> June	EYFS Open Afternoon – 2:00pm EYFS Ark Farm visit
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Sports Day 1:30pm – 3:00pm
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent Consultations
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Step Up day 1:30pm – 3:00pm
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports day 'back up date'
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's Party; Pizza & Pool 3.30 - 5.30pm
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Rising 5's Graduation party
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Pre school leavers & end of term party
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Term 2 ends at 1:45pm
20 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET TRAINING DAY

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