



THE OLD SCHOOL  
**HENSTEAD**  
INDEPENDENT PREPARATORY SCHOOL



School Newsletter  
Summer Term  
19th April 2024





Welcome back to a very exciting term - so much happening and so many school events to look forward to.

The school has a busy buzz as we prepare for the Summer Fair, Sports Day, the Summer Show and Speech Day.

Please pencil the dates in your diary and we look forward to sharing our joy with you.

- Miss Clifton





## Key Dates:

**Monday 22nd April - Year 2 Trip to Woodbridge**

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**Tuesday 23rd April – Happy Smiles Oral Health Talks**

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**Friday 26th April - Year 5 Trip: Titanic Experience**

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**Friday 3rd May – Grandparents Morning (8.35am-10.45am)**

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**Friday 17th May - PTFA Quiz Night**

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**Friday 24th May - Henstead Hike**

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**Monday 27th – 31st May - Half Term**

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**Saturday 8th June - Henstead Half (Adults Hike)**

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**Monday 10th – Wednesday 12th June – Year 5 Residential**

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**Wednesday 19th June - Sports Day & Summer Fair**

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**Thursday 27th June – Year 3 & 4 Trip to Whitlingham**

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**Thursday 27th June – Year 4 & 5 Camp Out**

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**Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th July - Summer Show**

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**Friday 5th July - Speech Day and End of Summer Term**

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Full details regarding each of these events will be provided nearer the time and more dates will be added weekly.





# Nursery

What a busy week in Nursery it has been! We have had lots of new faces joining us and the children have been making the most of the breaks in the inclement weather to get outside and play. We have been focusing heavily on personal, social and emotional development this week so it has been so lovely to see the children forming new friendships and building on the ones they had made before the holidays.



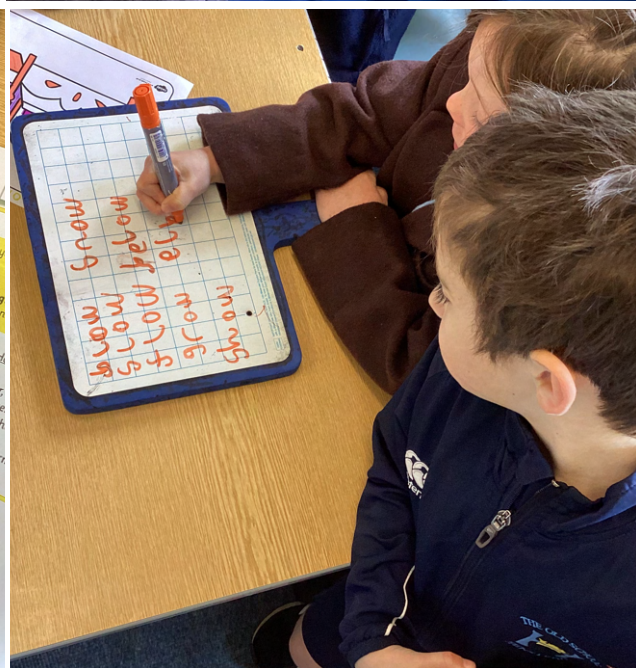
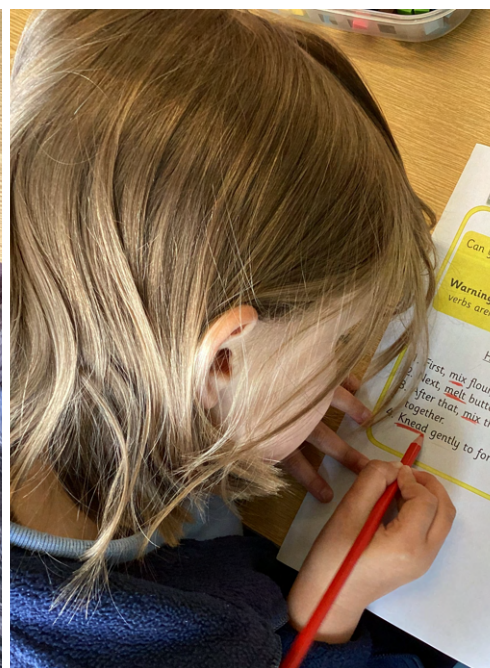
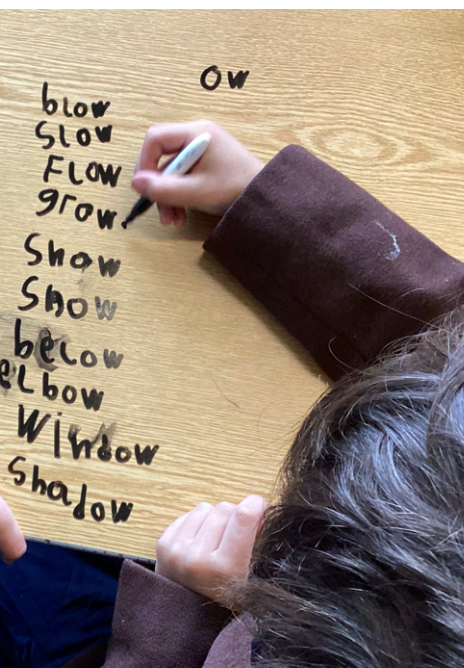
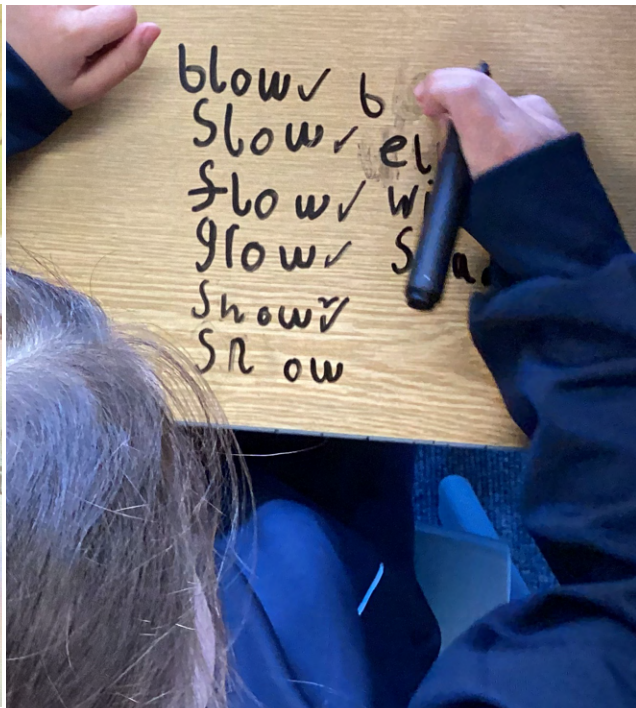
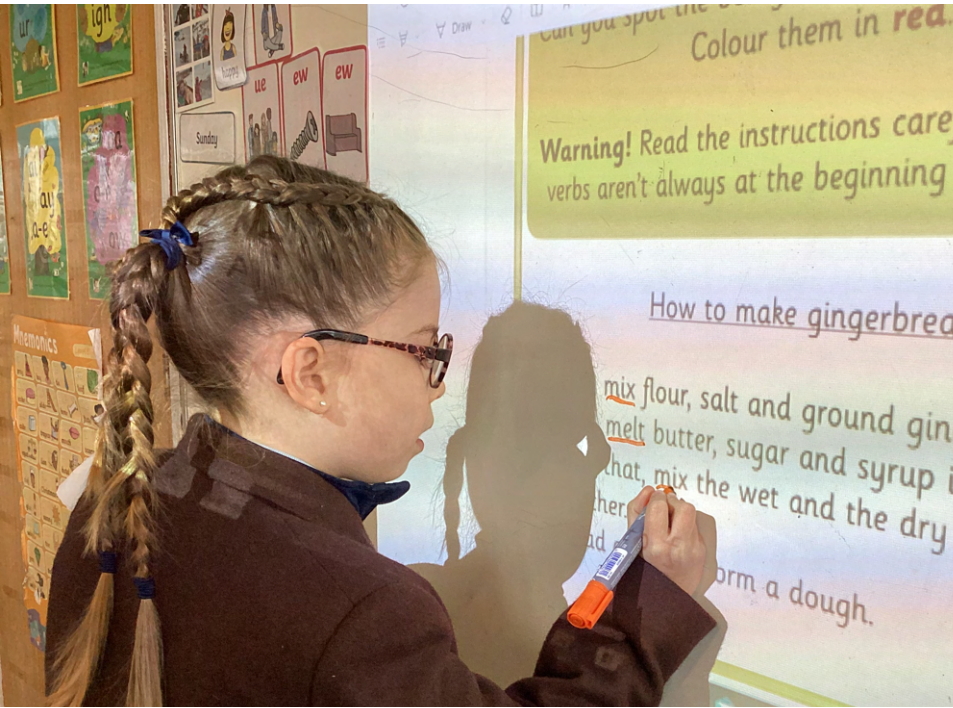




# Year One

In Literacy we have been identifying imperative verbs. When giving an instruction or command we discovered it can often sound very bossy!

- Mrs Dakin







## Year Three

This week Year Three have been estimating amounts and rounding numbers to the nearest 10 and 100. They have shown a great understanding of this and have become really confident at estimating amounts in someone's hand! Here they are estimating the distances in the UK between London and other cities. They were shocked to learn that it was about 700km from London to Inverness. - Miss Bennie







## Year Five

At the end of last term Year 5 held a debate about whether the characters in our class reading book, 'Odd and the Frost Giants' were justified in their actions. Learning how to debate or argue effectively is a vital skill which isn't simply about trying to persuade others, but also about listening to views which you might not agree with. The pupils acquitted themselves most impressively and more than one changed their mind when it came to the end vote! - Mrs Sonn







# Easter Bonnet Parade







# Outdoor Education

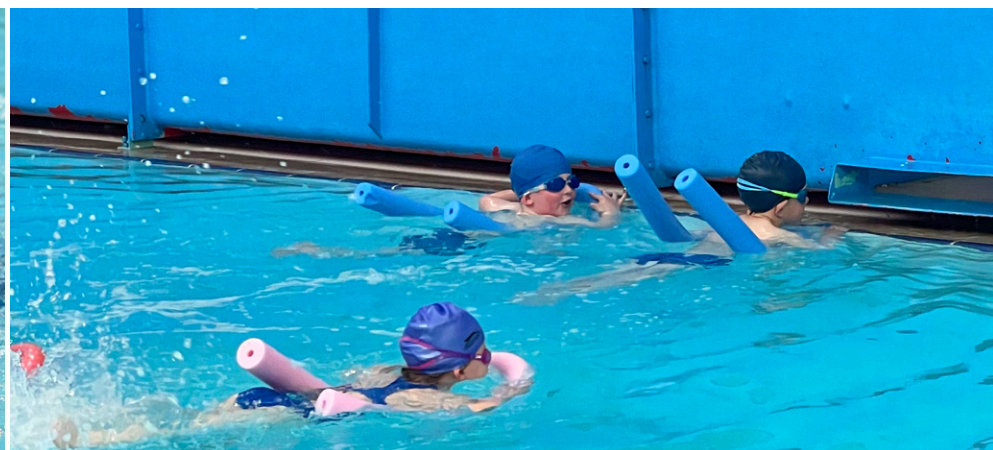
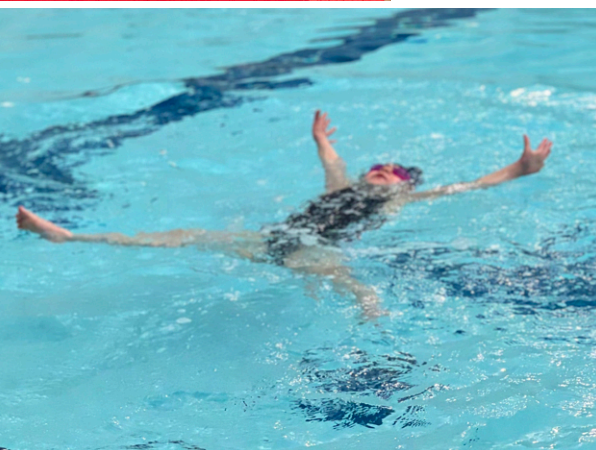
The children have been busy helping to plant hedging and trees in their Outdoor Education lessons this week.







A great first swimming lesson of the term for Year One, Reception and our Pre-Schoolers.







What a great week had by all at our Easter Holiday Club. Thank you to all staff involved for a great week of fun and activities.







# THE HENSTEAD HALF

## ADULTS CHALLENGE

**SATURDAY 8TH JUNE**  
**13 MILE HIKE**

In addition to The Henstead Hike, this year we have a fundraiser for the adults too – The Henstead Half! We are looking for at least one representative from each year group to come and join us!

Let's challenge the children and go head to head to see who can raise the most –  
The Henstead Hike (Children) or  
The Henstead Half (Adults)

Please let Mr Hunter know if you would like to take part!

**(The Henstead Hike will be Friday 24th May)**





# School Mascots

Mascots were awarded this week to the pupils best demonstrating our school values for this half term: Teamwork and Thinker.

Well done to all of our mascot winners:

Reception - Vincent

Year One - Florrie

Year Two - Anna

Year Three - Edie

Year Four - Hazel

Year Five - Jayden







# Achievements

James attended a Dog Show at Brampton Village Hall over Easter. Nelly, who is an 11 month old Shih Tzu, was in the puppy class. It was the first time at a show for them both. James did a great job at getting Nelly to pay attention in the ring and walking round nicely. They were awarded 5th place. Well done, James and Nelly.



Well done, Minty who passed her Piano Grade 1 with merit and Darcie who passed Initial with merit.



A very creative creation from Cody, well done!







## Lunch Menu - w/c 22nd April

MONDAY

Deep Pan Pizza and Salad Bar  
(A,b,d,g,i,n)

TUESDAY

Traditional Lasagne and Salad Bar  
(A,b,d,g,i)

WEDNESDAY

Chicken Fajitas, served with Vegetable  
Rice, Tortilla Chips and Salad Bar  
(A,b,d,g,i,n)

THURSDAY

Hunters Chicken, New Potatoes and  
Seasonal Vegetables  
(a,b,d,g,i)

FRIDAY

Breaded Cod served with Chips,  
Garden Peas or Baked Beans and Salad  
Bar  
(a,b,d,e,g,i,n)

Daily - Selection of Fresh Fruit, Yoghurts, Cheese and  
Biscuits with a Sweet Treat on a Friday

(g,b)

*Alternatives for vegetarian, vegans and food intolerances.*

(a=celery, b=gluten, c=crustaceans, d=eggs, e=fish, f=lupin, g=milk, h=molluscs,  
i=mustard, j=nuts, k=peanuts, l=sesame seeds, m=soya, n=sulphur dioxide)





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