



**Skelton**  
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**Newsletter - Friday 27th March 2026**

### **A Message from Mrs Naylor**

As we come to the end of another busy and successful half term, I would like to take a moment to thank you for your continued support. The children have worked incredibly hard and have shown great enthusiasm across all areas of their learning, which has been wonderful to see. We have enjoyed a range of activities and achievements that have made this half term both productive and memorable.

As we head into the Easter break, I hope you all have the opportunity to rest, spend time with family, and enjoy the spring weather. On behalf of everyone at school, I wish you a very happy and peaceful Easter.

### **Parents' Evening**

Thank you to everyone who attended our recent parents' evening, whether in person or via telephone appointments. It was a pleasure to speak with so many of you and share the children's achievements and progress so far this year. The conversations were incredibly positive, and it was wonderful to reflect on how much the children have grown in both their learning and confidence. Your continued support makes a real difference, and we greatly value the strong partnership between home and school.

### **Mother's Day Afternoon Tea**

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our recent Mother's Day afternoon tea. It was a lovely event, and we were delighted to see so many families able to attend and share this special time together. The children thoroughly enjoyed spending time with their loved ones, taking part in colouring activities and games, and of course tucking into the delicious food. It was a wonderful afternoon filled with smiles and a great sense of community—thank you for making it so special.

### **Easter Craft Workshop**

Our Easter craft workshop was a very popular event, and it was wonderful to see so many families taking part. There was a fantastic atmosphere throughout, with everyone enjoying the opportunity to get creative together. The children especially loved painting their egg cups and making paper rabbits, showing great imagination and enthusiasm. Thank you to all who attended and helped make the workshop such an enjoyable and successful occasion.



### **Winning House Team**

Congratulations to Unicorns, our winning house team for this half term! Their hard work, teamwork and positive attitudes have really shone through, earning them this well-deserved achievement. To celebrate, they enjoyed a special party filled with fun games and prizes, which was a lovely way to recognise their efforts. Well done to everyone in Unicorns—keep up the fantastic work!

### **Thank you to Mr Bains**

We would like to say a fond farewell to Mr Bains, who will be leaving us at the end of the year. Since joining us in January, he has been a valued member of the team and has made a positive contribution to school life. We are grateful for all his hard work and dedication during his time with us. We wish him all the very best for the future and every success in his next chapter.



### **Dispatches from Robins**

#### **What have you enjoyed learning about this term?**

EM - We have learnt about a farm in Kenya, they have different animals to us like giraffes and lions.

RL - It's really hot there because of the equator!

AR - We've been learning about how to keep our teeth clean and healthy.

RW - We talked about the dentist and cleaned pretend teeth so they don't get rotten.

RB - We know not to eat just lollipops!

Robins topic has been Ready, Steady, Grow!

We have learnt the names for farm animals and their young.

We have observed the life cycle of a chick and can talk all about it!

We have grown runner beans, broad beans and watched our cress heads grow.

We have looked at photos of ourselves as babies and toddlers, discussing how we have grown!

We have talked about ways to keep our body healthy.

**Tell us a funny, silly or cool thing that happened in school this half term.**

EM - We're making Easter bonnets today, that's cool!

RB - It was so windy yesterday and our den roof was blowing up and down!

NW - It was so funny and exciting!

BM - And the wind kept blowing my tower down so I had to make it stronger. I built it like Jenga!

**What are you looking forward to this half term?**

BR - Doing more building in the construction area.

RL - Learning even more sounds and reading more red books!

Next half term we are going to observe the life cycle of a butterfly.

BM - I'm going to love that!



## **Dispatches from Woodpeckers**

**What have you enjoyed learning about this term?**

I've enjoyed Science learning facts about animals. Worms have hair on their bodies. JS

I liked counting up in 5's in maths. MG

I liked making chairs in DT HW.

I liked doing Art making different shades of green. AT

We've been retelling Granddads Camper and making up new adventures.LH We've been learning about using Scratch in computing using Sprites. HW Last time we made them tell jokes. We've been making chairs in DT. RL We've been up to doubling in Maths. CC I liked it when Tola and Grandmummy went to get ice cream.LH

**Tell us a funny, silly or cool thing that happened in school this half term.**

When Dapo saw a Lamborghini in the story everyone went "What what!" IR At lunchtime R was pretending to be an animal and everytime I dropped something she brought it back. JS Me GY and N are planting apple seeds in the playground. We pretended we had a campfire at lunchtime EH I love making our chairs because it's taken a long time and some people said mine was incredible IR.

**What are you looking forward to this half term?**

I'm excited to be learning about famous women in history. JJ Time and money in maths. Rosie Revere engineer in writing GY. Great fire of London book. Looking forward to Art JH. Learning how things function JS.



## Dispatches from Owls

### What have you enjoyed learning about this term?

SB - I've enjoyed making our own matchboxes as part of the Matchbox diary.

LB - In computing we filmed our own weather videos.

NF - I've enjoyed writing about the Matchbox diary.

IB - I really loved making my pavillion in DT!

BW - We have been swimming!

AF - We have made structures in DT!

AP - We have been writing about the Matchbox Diary.

MW - In maths we have been doing fractions.

BC - We had red, purple and white tulips that we planted with Mrs Windsor and they have finally grown. We got to take them home.

LP - Pedestrian training was a little strange because we got to go out of school. It was fun and we learnt how to cross roads safely.

### Tell us a funny, silly or cool thing that happened in school this half term.

OW - I find it fun and cool when we do Science outside, looking at animals and plants.

JD - When LM kicked the football and I caught it!

AF - I found it cool when we were allowed to jump into the pool while swimming near the deep end!

### What are you looking forward to this half term?

We are all really looking forward to going swimming again on Fridays!

LB - Learning about the Tudors in History!

OW - I'm looking forward to doing more DT!



## Dispatches from Kingfishers

### What have you enjoyed learning about this term?

(KB) I have enjoyed learning about Malala because she has a passion to get what she deserves but she faces many challenges. (GT) I have enjoyed learning about maths because you learn new things and it's very interesting - for example ratio is good because it describes how different proportions are related. (IG) I have enjoyed completing SATS practice. It is fun but it is also helping me prepare for my SATS. I have learnt more about long division. (HG) I like writing - on Wednesdays we work on descriptive writing and writing how beautiful the Swat valley is. (LG) I have loved learning about

evolution in science. It's fascinating to see how things like dinosaurs have evolved into chickens. (MM) I have enjoyed Bikeability because we have learnt how to move in different directions on our bike. (LG) I have enjoyed playing basketball in PE and learning about gymnastics. (GT) We've been up to a lot of stuff really - the Year 6 students are preparing for SATS, we've been introduced to Wednesday writing and I think the use of house points have improved (such as teams who scored more lowly are now achieving more highly). (LL) I have enjoyed developing my skills in Bikeability

even though I was only in level 1, I still really enjoyed it as I finished this level quickly.

**Tell us a funny, silly or cool thing that happened in school this half term.**

(JL) I was choosing the divisor for the long division question and I chose "6" "7" and now Mr Barker says my nickname is "67". (KB) Everyone had a coughing fit throughout the day - (AG) GROSS! (CG) Archie kept giving me tissues because I had a dreadful cough. (TN) Yesterday, during SATS prep, I finished a question really quickly and I said, "I was the big cheese!" but in fact I had got 5 x 6 incorrect (which is really easy!). (AG) During the parents meeting for residential I asked way too many questions. I asked if there was a policy about staying up passed midnight and everyone laughed.

**What are you looking forward to this half term?**

(JL) I am looking forward to SATS as I just want to get it over and done with! (IG) I am looking forward to being able to go on the grass because Mrs Naylor said after the Easter holidays we can all go on the grass. (LG) I am looking forward to studying electricity in science as it can be pretty dangerous but it can be very useful. (TN) I am looking forward to SATS as I find tests quite relaxing. (HG) I am excited for Art because making sculptures just sounds like a really nice thing to do. (AG) I am really excited for art because last year we were asked to look at pictures of our favourite animal and we made sculptures of them. I like sculpting because you can turn what's inside your head into a real life object.

## **Looking ahead: key messages and reminders**

### **Playing in the park**

As the evenings become lighter, we know many children will be enjoying spending more time outdoors, particularly in local parks and play areas. This is a great opportunity for fresh air and exercise; however, we kindly ask parents and carers to continue reinforcing the importance of safe and respectful behaviour. Please remind children to be mindful of others, use equipment appropriately, and stay within agreed boundaries. It is also important they are aware of basic safety, such as staying with friends, being cautious around roads, and knowing what to do if they feel unsure or unsafe. Thank you for your support in helping to keep all of our children safe and happy while they enjoy the longer evenings.

### **Electric scooters**

We would like to remind parents and carers about the current law regarding the use of electric scooters. Privately owned e-scooters are not permitted on public roads, pavements, or in public spaces and can only be used on private land with the landowner's permission. E-scooters can reach high speeds, which makes supervision and protective equipment such as helmets essential for safety. Children should never use them unsupervised, and we ask parents to ensure they understand the rules and ride responsibly. Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe.

### **Staying safe when crossing the road**

Following the Owls' recent pedestrian training, we would like to remind all families about the importance of road safety. The children have been learning key skills such as looking both ways before crossing, using designated crossings, and staying alert to traffic at all times. Please continue to reinforce these safety habits at home, ensuring children always hold hands with an adult where appropriate and cross roads carefully. By working together, we can help keep all of our children safe when walking near traffic.

### **Being safe on bikes**

The Kingfishers recently took part in their Bikeability training, and it was fantastic to see the children developing their cycling skills and confidence on the road. They learned important safety techniques, including wearing helmets, checking their bikes before riding, and being aware of traffic and pedestrians. We encourage all families to continue reinforcing these safety habits when cycling at home, helping children to enjoy their bikes safely and responsibly.

### **Recent fundraising**

Thank you for all the donations you have made recently. We have raised the following:





Comic Relief - £118.50

Martin House - £79

Children in Need - £53

## Class Attendance

6.1.26-27.3.26

			
Robins	Woodpeckers	Owls	Kingfishers
94%	97%	90%	93%

We are aiming for 96% for good attendance.

### Dates for your diary

Please see all important dates below. Dates are correct at the time of publication but may be subject to change.

#### Spring Term

Date	Focus	Time and place
<b>Easter Holiday 30th March - 10th April</b>		
<b>Monday 13th April</b>	Return to School	School
<b>Wednesday 29th April</b>	Coffee and cake with Mrs Naylor	School Hall 2.30-3
<b>Monday 4th May</b>	Bank holiday	School Closed

<b>Month of May</b>	KS1 SATs	School
<b>w/c 11th May</b>	Y6 SATs	School
<b>Friday 22nd May</b>	Non-uniform day - collecting for Child Brain Injury Trust	School
<b>May Half Term 25th May - 29th May</b>		
<b>1st June - 12th June</b>	Y4 Multiplication Check	School
<b>Wed 3rd June - Fri 5th June</b>	Residential Trip	Kingfishers
<b>w/c 8th June</b>	Y1 Phonics Screening Check (including Y2 retakes)	School
<b>Wednesday 17th June</b>	Coffee and cake with Mrs Naylor	School Hall 2.30-3
<b>Thursday 18th June</b>	Father's Day Afternoon Tea	School Hall - EY/KS1 2-3
<b>Friday 26th June</b>	Sports Day	Information to follow
<b>Monday 6th July</b>	Non-uniform day - donations for Summer Fair	School
<b>Thursday 9th July</b>	Summer Fair	3.30-4.30
<b>Friday 10th July</b>	Crucial Crew	Year 6
<b>Wednesday 15th July</b>	Leavers' Breakfast at Hickory's	Year 6
<b>Friday 17th July</b>	Last day of school - non-uniform day	School
<b>Summer Holidays 20th July</b>		