



# Speenhamland Primary School

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## Newsletter 26th May 2023



**Wishing you all a wonderful half term break!  
See you all back on Monday 5th June, relaxed and refreshed.**

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# HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to all those parents who supported us with Walk to School Week last week. We noticed a huge reduction in the number of cars using our 'Kiss and Drop' system. Congratulations to Ash class who had the most children walking that week. With the warm weather set to continue, hopefully we can encourage our children to continue to walk to school. Please see table below for results.

This week, we were excited to present our Ukrainian pupils with some brand new picture books that are written in both Ukrainian and English. Mrs Caudle is the mastermind behind the donation, managing to secure three sets of books for our school library as well as a selection for every Ukrainian pupil to take home and enjoy. Well done, Mrs Caudle!

Today, there has been a real buzz around school for the Zolty House Charity event. Mrs Maher and the House Captains did a lovely assembly about the work of Young Minds and the importance of supporting young people with their mental health. They were busy outside at break and lunch selling ice pops and different wellbeing toys. Their target is to raise £600 – we will let you know after half term the final total. A huge thank you to all the families who donated cakes for the sale after school and for all the raffle donations. Raffle tickets will be sold after school and the raffle will be drawn at 4.00pm today.

Have a restful and happy half term.

**Mrs J Lewry**  
**Headteacher**



## ADDED DATES UNDERLINED

- 06-06-23 Class photo day
- 07-06-23 Lunch with your child (Wisteria and Cherry). Order by 25-05-23
- 09-06-23 EYFS/Infant movie night after school until 5.30 pm
- 14-06-23 Lunch with your child (Ash, Oak and Willow). Order by 08-06-23
- 15-06-23 House speeches at Trinity. Time TBA (selected pupils)
- 16-06-23 Junior movie night after school until 5.30 pm
- W/C
- 19-06-23 Year 3, Year 4 and Y5 Optional SATs
- 19-06-23 Infant Sports Day  
Parents/carers from 1.30 pm
- 21-06-23 Lunch with your child (Maple and Juniper). Order by 15-06-23
- 21-06-23 EYFS outing to Pizza Express am
- 22-06-23 Choir to perform at Trinity.  
Performance TBC. Rehearsal am
- 23-06-23 **INSET DAY**
- 26-06-23 Year 5 applications for Year 6 roles
- 28-06-23 Lunch with your child (Hawthorn and Redwood). Order by 22-06-23
- 29-06-23 Junior Sports Day  
Parents/carers from 1.30 pm
- 30-06-23 EYFS and Infants 9.15 am to 12  
Performance workshop
- 30-06-23 Year 5 interviews for Year 6 roles
- 01-07-23 FOSS Summer Fayre 12 noon
- 03-07-23 Class change over day and Y6 secondary school inductions
- 05-07-23 Lunch with your child (Acer and Cedar). Order by 29-06-23
- 05-07-23 Y6 Trinity induction day  
8.45 to 3.10 pm
- 07-07-23 Azul charity day
- 10-07-23 Year 1 jungle workshop
- 12-07-23 Juniors' production 6 pm
- 13-07-23 Juniors' production 6 pm
- 13-07-23 Y6 Kennet transition day
- 14-07-23 Summer library challenge launch
- 14-07-23 Y6 Kennet transition day
- 14-07-23 Reports out to parents
- 20-07-23 Y6 leavers assembly 1.45 pm  
Parents' rounders match 2.15 pm
- 21-07-23 School closes at 1 pm

## WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK RESULTS

Class	Number of children walking 4 or more days	Overall percentage of the class
Wisteria	19 children	63%
Willow	8 children	62%
<b>Ash</b>	<b>18 children</b>	<b>78%</b>
Oak	17 children	63%
Cherry	9 children	33%
Hawthorn	14 children	56%
Juniper	13 children	52%
Maple	13 children	52%
Redwood	6 children	38%
Cedar	12 children	60%
Acer	11 children	61%

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# AWARDS

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WINNERS  
ARE...



## Achievement and PSHE Awards

### SCHOOL

Wisteria	Miguel Cowap
Cherry	Evan Aji Varughese
Oak	Alfie Chapple
Ash	Toby Goddard
Willow	Arthur Berntsen
Hawthorn	Emilia Stosak
Juniper	Myka Carlyon
Maple	Samjin Imran
Acer	Mateil Olteanu
Redwood	Jessica Lambourne
Cedar	Rania Kovacs

### PSHE

Hana Mahmoud
Riley Aitken
Nada Kaowphatthanawan
Chloe Myles
Marilou Athanasiadou
Jasmine Rocha
Danny Black
Daisie-Louise Campbell
Owen Cowap
Anna Horbyk
Jacky Elliott



### HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK

The Dragon's Eggs results for this week are:

1st Laal 389

2nd Azul 371

3rd Zolty 251

4th Verde 211

*Congratulations to LAAL!*



Below are the results for the class that had the most children read 3 times or more from Monday 15th May to Sunday 21st May.

### *Let's keep reading!*

Wisteria 29 children
Cherry 13 children
Willow 13 children
Ash 13 children
Hawthorn 13 children
Oak 11 children
Juniper 11 children
Maple 11 children
Acer 7 children
Cedar 6 children
Redwood 6 children



### HOUSE WINNER THIS TERM

The Dragon's Eggs results for this term are:

1st Azul 18

Joint 2nd Zolty and Laal 16

3rd Verde 9

*Congratulations to AZUL!*

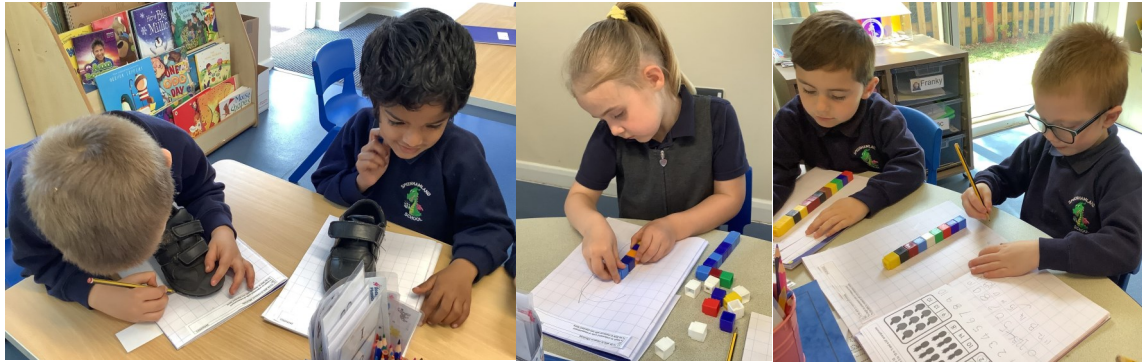
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# PUPILS' AMAZING WORK THIS WEEK!



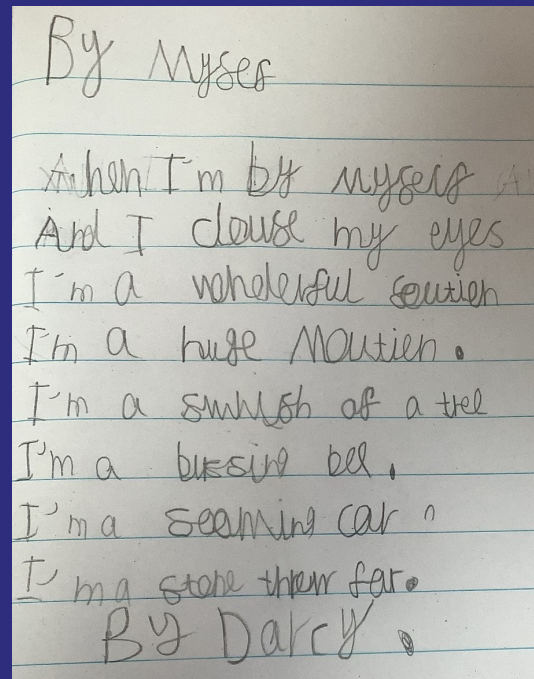
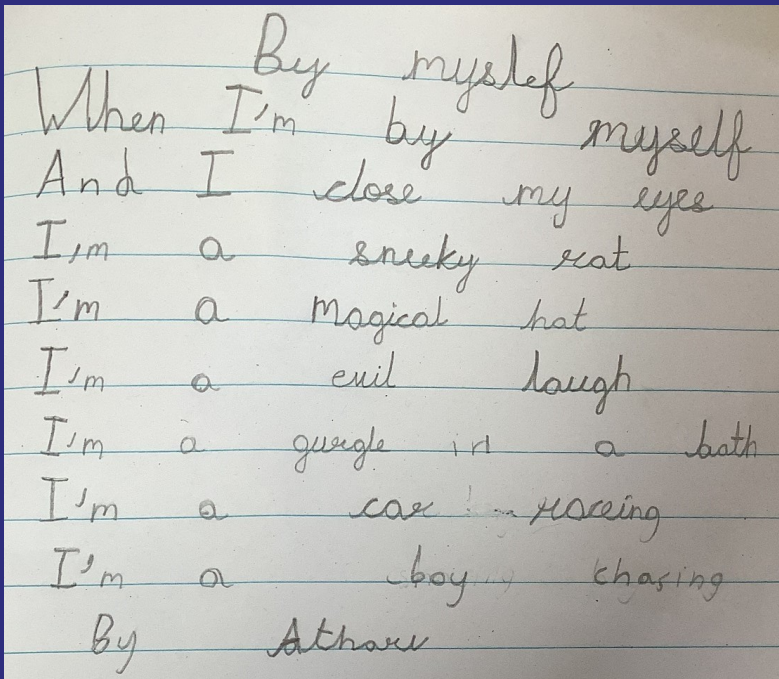
During our maths lessons this week, the children enjoyed looking at different ways to measure.  
On Wednesday, we drew around our shoes and explored how long they were with cubes!



In Infants, they have finished their 'Plants' unit in Science this week, exploring what happened to their plants after they changed some of their environments.

They found the plants in the fridge and cupboard didn't stay alive and some of the plants without water had also wilted or died. Their experiment showed that plants need water, light and warmth to stay alive. While you're out with your child this weekend, look for plants that are growing and see if you can research what they are called.

The children have been learning about daisies, bluebells, sunflowers, dandelions and poppies.



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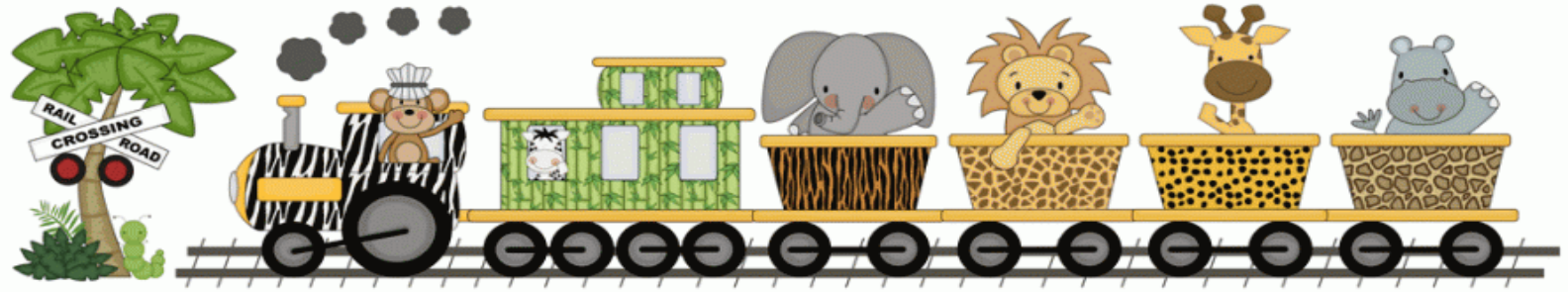


Year 1 have been busy creating poems this term, some children have even managed to make them rhyme!  
The poems use metaphors and are all about themselves - aren't they brilliant!

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# LOWER JUNIORS AT THE COTSWOLD WILDLIFE PARK



Lower juniors had a fabulous time at the Cotswold Wildlife Park. We saw many rainforest animals but also enjoyed spotting some other creatures too!



## YEAR 6'S KINGSWOOD RESIDENTIAL

Kingswood was really fun and was not what I was expecting! The food was yummy, all of the instructors were funny and they all tried to make sure that everyone was having a fun experience. There were lots of activities each day which were great (but very tiring!). My favourite activities were the zipline and the rock climbing wall. Overall, I had a wonderful time.

**By Ella**

For me, Kingswood was an amazing place to go. Some of my favourite memories are the 3G Swing, Leap of Faith and roasting marshmallows. Kingswood felt relaxed after a chaotic week full of SATs.

**By Owen**

Kingswood was one of the best experiences I've ever had. All the activities were overwhelming! I wanted to do them all at once! There were activities from sports to climbing, to lighting fire in the wood. Over all, I think this was one of the greatest weeks of my life. It was absolutely fantastic.

**By Ayden**



Our Isle of Wight getaway  
*with Kingswood*  
adventure holidays



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