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Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2026

## Early Years

Nursery and Reception had a fantastic adventure during their visit to Wharton Park, where they took part in an exciting *Superworm* workshop! The children stepped into Superworm's shoes (or rather, his wriggly body!) and worked together to complete a series of heroic tasks throughout the day. They searched high and low to find hidden treasure, showed their creativity by building their very own bug hotels, and bravely rescued Toad from the "road." To top it all off, they became true environmental heroes by helping to save Wharton Park, collecting and removing all the litter left behind by the Wicked Wizard. It was a fun-filled day of teamwork and imagination.





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## YEAR 1

This week in Year 1 the children have been learning about Pop Art. The children experimented using paint colours to create pop art inspired by Andy Warhol. The children compared the art they created and talked about how the change in colours effects how it looks.

Year one explained that changing the colours:

Makes them look like different children

Makes their hair look different

Makes their clothes look different

We can see it is the same person but the colours make them different people.



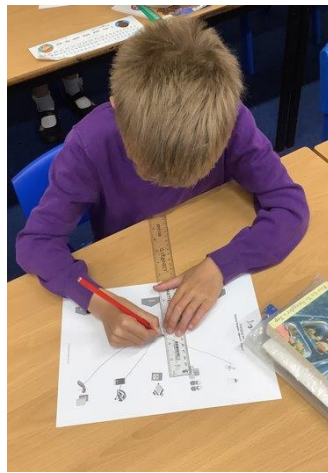
## YEAR 2

In Year 2, we have been learning about how our bodies grow and change. This week, we have been thinking about all the things we can do now that we couldn't when we were younger. We are amazed at how much we have learned and how far we have come!



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We are incredibly proud of our resilience and growing independence. We can now do so many things, such as reading, writing, talking confidently, walking and making friends. It is wonderful to see how our skills have developed and how we continue to grow each day.



## YEAR 3

Year 3 have been playing the role of informal detectives this week. The children are focusing on using formal language for their balanced discussion on whether we should be allowed to keep dragons as pets. The children were given criteria to look for to help them spot informal language, such as exclamation marks, contractions and abbreviated words. The children enjoyed spotting these clues and are now equipped to write parts of their discussion next week.

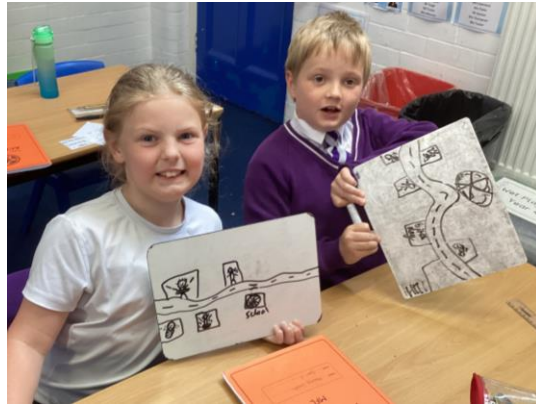




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## YEAR 4

This week in RE, the children began their new topic, *World View*. They reflected on their life journey so far, celebrating the many achievements and experiences that have shaped them. The children also thought about their hopes and aspirations for the future, discussing the things they are looking forward to. As part of our learning, we explored significant life events, such as marriage and baptism. We then compared how these important milestones are celebrated across different religions, identifying both similarities and differences in beliefs and traditions.



## YEAR 5

The children in Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic taster session of 'Danish Longball' on our school field with a PE coach this week. The game, similar to cricket, saw the children practice and exhibit their batting/kicking skills as well as fielding and communication. As a class, they worked well to get as many runs as possible and to catch out the opposing teams.





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## YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 took part in a quidditch festival at New College, Durham, where they discovered the rules of the game, and developed the key skills needed to play. Through a variety of fun activities and matches, the children worked on their teamwork, communication and coordination, showing great determination and sportsmanship throughout. Well done, Year 6!



## Class Attendance



Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
88.6%	93.4%	95.1%	95.3%	96.9%	93.9%	93.9%	93.7%



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## Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Playtime Awards were presented today to **Y1** and **Y3**

The following children have all impressed their class teacher:

**Nursery:** Warren Armstrong

**Reception:** Chase Loan

**Year 1:** Ellie Watson

**Year 2:** Amelia-Rose McDonald

**Year 3:** Ayden Sinaj

**Year 4:** Maisey Smith

**Year 5:** Memphis Mendy

**Year 6:** Austin Pinkney



## Perfect Presentation

**Reception:** Scott Bailey

**Year 1:** Abigail Parshad

**Year 2:** Grayson Iveson

**Year 3:** Jovian Tom

**Year 4:** Mason Hubber

**Year 5:** Jessie Musgrove

**Year 6:** Alfie Fawthrop



## School Meals

The menu for week beginning Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June is **Week 3**. School dinners are £15.40 per week, paid online by Monday please.

Any child may qualify for free school meals, please contact the school office to request a form and check your eligibility.



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## After School Clubs

<u>Day</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Pick up Time</u>	<u>Year Group</u>
Monday	Fun Fitness	4:15pm	Reception Y1 Y2
Tuesday	Athletics	4:15pm	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6
Tuesday	Magical Science	4:15pm	Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4
Thursday	Outdoor Arts Club	4:15pm	Reception Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4

## Dates for your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Street Games Day
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Oriental Museum Trip
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Year of Reading- June event - 'Booknic'
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June– Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 6 Bikeability
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 2 Souter Lighthouse Trip
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 10:30 – 11:30	Early Years Stay and Play
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 3:00-3:30	Uniform Swap Shop
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Athletics Festival
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 5:00-6:00	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2:30	Summer Fayre
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Break Up for Summer



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Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Back to school

