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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026



To celebrate the incredible 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of Sir David Attenborough, the whole school came together to work on a project which focused on his amazing world of protecting our planet and wildlife. The children watched a special live lesson about his life, discoveries and the importance of our oceans and environment. After being inspired by everything they learned, the

children then got creative by using recycled materials to design and make their own fantastic sea creatures. From colourful fish to imaginative ocean animals, the school was filled with creativity, teamwork and important conversations about protecting our world for future generations. Well done to everyone involved!

## NURSERY

The children in Nursery enjoyed watching the clip of David Attenborough and learning about all the amazing things he does for our planet by teaching people. The children created their own fish using recyclable materials and we talked about how we look after our planet and animals.

*'We put rubbish in the bin.' Charles explained.*

*'We are nice to all the animals.' Reggie told us.*





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## RECEPTION

Reception children had a wonderful time celebrating Sir David Attenborough's birthday, exploring the amazing world of oceans and sea creatures. The children were fascinated as they learned about different marine animals, from colourful fish to majestic whales, and talked about how important it is to look after our seas.

*"You have to look after our planet by recycling or the animals can die." - Roman*

*"We have to put rubbish in the bin to help the animals in the ocean." - Eliza*



## YEAR 1



Year 1 had a wonderful time celebrating David Attenborough's birthday. They learnt about who David Attenborough was before using their creativity to make their own sea creatures using a range of recycled materials- starfish, octopuses and fish. They produced some amazing designs.





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## YEAR 2



## YEAR 3

We discovered how dedicated David Attenborough is to protecting our planet, particularly the oceans, and discussed ways that we can help make a difference. The children showed amazing creativity in their designs, which included everything from a shark to an octopus! They worked brilliantly together throughout the activity and demonstrated excellent teamwork.





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YEAR 4



Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed celebrating David Attenborough's birthday by designing and creating their own sea creatures using recycled materials. We learnt how passionate David Attenborough is about protecting the planet, especially the oceans, and what we could do to help. The children were very creative with their designs, ranging from a hammerhead shark to a giant squid! The children worked together on their creations and showed brilliant teamwork.





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## YEAR 5

As part of our school's celebrations for David Attenborough's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, Year 5 also took part in a competition to create their own sea creature from recyclable materials. The children were able to discuss the way in which this represented the impact of pollution on the natural environment, particularly ocean habitats. We had some fabulous creations in the class, from eels and turtles to stingray and plesiosaurs!

*"The oceans are full of pollution so sea creatures get hurt by it" - Lexus*

*"I made mine have eyes and a tongue because it's a friendly eel" - Cally*





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## YEAR 6



### Class Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
88.68	93.1	95.1	95.6	97	93.8	93.7	93.5



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## Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Playtime Awards were presented today to **Reception** and **Y6**

The following children have all impressed their class teacher:

**Nursery:** Mya Turnock

**Reception:** Alec Hubble

**Year 1:** Lacey Hansen

**Year 2:** Dominic Wood

**Year 3:** Lilly Milburn

**Year 4:** Zara Hillson

**Year 5:** Maria Isaakdiou-Fotiadou

**Year 6:** Olly Bradley



## Perfect Presentation

**Reception:** Scott Bailey

**Year 1:** Riley-May Pinkney

**Year 2:** Alivia Stanley

**Year 3:** Eleanor Barker-Lawton

**Year 4:** Ruby Dawson

**Year 5:** Orryn Bloomfield-Bell

**Year 6:** Jasmine Burns





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## School Meals

The menu for week beginning Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May **is Week 2**. 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.

## After School Clubs

<u>Day</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Pick up Time</u>	<u>Year Group</u>
<b>Monday</b>	Fundamental Movements	4:15pm	Reception & KS1
<b>Tuesday</b>	Cricket	4:15pm	KS2
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gardening Club	4:15pm	KS1 & KS2
<b>Thursday</b>	Friends of the Earth	4:15pm	KS1 & KS2
<b>Thursday</b>	Read and Relax	4:15pm	KS1 & KS2

## Dates for your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 1 Ushaw Trip
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Book Swap (on yard weather permitting or in school hall)
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Theme lunch – Pizza Day
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Year 3 Binchester Roman Fort Trip



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**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

Break up for half term

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**

Return to school

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June (15:00-15:45)**

Uniform Swap Shop

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 5 Edinburgh Trip

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June**

World Ocean Day

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 6 Heugh Battery Museum Trip

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 1 & Year 2 Zumba in school

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

KS2 Danish Longball in school

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 6 Quidditch

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

Nursery and Reception Trip to Wharton Park

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June**

Sports Day

**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 – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Year 6 Bikeability

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Year 2 Souter Lighthouse Trip

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July (10:30-11:30)**

Early Years Stay & Play

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

Uniform Swap Shop

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

Athletics Festival

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July (17:00-18:00)**

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July (14:30-16:00)**

Summer Fayre

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

Break up for Summer