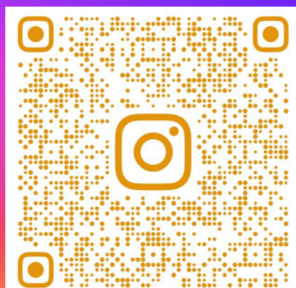




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SUMMER TERM
WEEK 1



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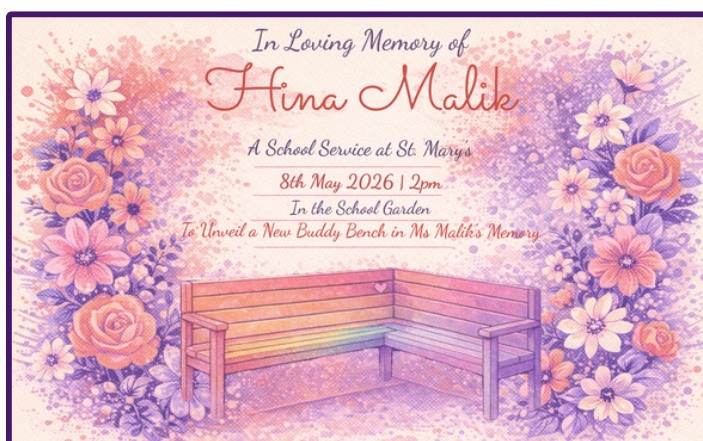
[Click here for upcoming dates or check your Class Dojo events](#)

UPDATE FROM MRS NETTLESHIP

Welcome back to the summer term. I can't believe we are already two-thirds of the way through the school year!

A very warm welcome to all of our new pupils who have joined us this week. It is wonderful to see our Nursery now full, and we are also filling up quickly for September. If you would like a place for your child next year, please ensure you apply as soon as possible.

We will be holding a memorial service for Ms Malik on Friday 8th May at 2:00pm in the school garden. Anyone who wishes to join us would be very welcome as we come together to remember and celebrate her life.



All parents welcome

Parking

We have again been contacted by local residents regarding parking over driveways and on double yellow lines.

Please be considerate of our neighbours. Where possible, especially during the summer months, we kindly ask that you park a little further away and walk to school.

Pencil cases

Please check your child's pencil case and ensure it is fully stocked for learning. We would be grateful if you could replenish items where needed, including pencils, glue sticks, purple pens, standard pens, and rubbers.

Attendance Champions



Sapling 99%



Field Maple 98%



Beech 95.9%

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How we have grown this week!

Blossom

In Blossom Room, we have been exploring different types of weather and discovering how musical instruments can create sounds like thunder and rain. We have also been practising counting in 10s and 5s.

Sapling

This week in Sapling Class, children explored the seaside. In RE, we discussed what makes a home special. In maths, we practised leading repeats and confidently joining sequences and songs.

Ash

This week, Ash Class began Level 4 phonics, focusing on adjacent consonants. In literacy, we introduced Handa's Surprise, sparking discussion and inspiring still life artwork influenced by Paul Cézanne.

Beech

This week, we have been exploring a non-fiction book about seasons, spotting key features. We also practised counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, and became curious young scientists while learning fascinating facts about reptiles.

Chestnut

In English, we wrote effective sentences inspired by The Friendship Bench. In RE, we learnt how Muslims show commitment to their faith. In geography, we explored the seas and oceans around the UK.

Damson

In Damson Class, the children have settled back well and enjoyed learning about Buddhism in RE and they are all excited for our trip next week. In geography, we are looking at who lives in Antarctica.

Elm Class

We have been exploring the Noble Truths in Buddhism, building understanding of peace and suffering. In maths, we have begun our work on decimals. In history, we started learning about the Anglo-Saxons.

Field Maple/Grey Willow

This week, we studied evacuees in WW2 History. In PE, we began hockey and athletics to prepare for Sports Day. In RE, we explored how the Christian message has survived over 200 years.



Thought for the week



'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.' John 20:29

Sometimes it's easy to believe in something when we can see it clearly in front of us. But this verse reminds us that true faith often means trusting even when we cannot see the whole picture.

In school, this might look like believing in ourselves when learning feels tricky, trusting our teachers and friends to support us, or showing kindness even when we don't immediately see the impact it has.

Every time we choose to do the right thing, keep trying, or believe in others, we are showing that kind of quiet, powerful faith. These small moments build confidence, courage, and a strong community where everyone can flourish.

Something to pray

Dear God,

Thank you for reminding us that we do not always need to see to believe.

Help us to trust in you, in ourselves, and in one another.

Give us courage when things feel uncertain,

and help us to keep going even when the path is not clear.

May we show kindness, patience and faith in all that we do.

Amen.



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