

## Dates for your diary

### w/c 10<sup>th</sup> July

School Reports sent  
home

### 12<sup>th</sup> July

Open Afternoon (parents  
to have appointments to  
come and view their  
child's work)

### 14<sup>th</sup> July

3.30pm-5.00pm PTA  
Summer Fayre

### 18<sup>th</sup> July

Y2 Leavers Event

### 19<sup>th</sup> July

Y2 Leavers Assembly –  
9:30am (approx. 1 hour)

### 19<sup>th</sup> July

End of Summer Term  
**1.45pm (No Bumble  
Bees)**

## School News

Our penultimate week of the term has been another busy one!

Performance club and Drama club invited their parents/carers in to see their final performance. The children were very confident and enthusiastic, and we hope you enjoyed the shows! Thank you, Mr Brown and Miss Porter, for working with the children and nurturing their talent.

Reports were sent home this week and this was then followed by Open Afternoon on Wednesday when parents/carers were invited in to share some time with their child to celebrate their learning over the year. The children were all so excited to see you and to show you what they have achieved, which was wonderful to see!

Year 2 have been practising for their Year 2 Leavers assembly which is being held next week at 9:30am. Tickets are now available to book on ParentMail, but there is no cost for this.

Staff spent time after school on Thursday preparing the Rainbow Tombola for the Summer Fayre – as always it is a sight to behold. The winning Class was Nursery (Little Acorns and Acorns) who collected 67 items! Well done!

Thank you to everyone who was able to bring something in – it is greatly appreciated. The other scores were as follows:

Hazel - Yellow – 63  
Cherry - Green – 58  
Rowan - Orange – 52  
Maple - Red - 51  
Beech – Purple/Violet – 49  
Birch – Blue/Indigo - 41

On Friday we held our final Family Friday Breakfast and Fun session. Thank you for all the positive feedback and comments we have had from parents on this initiative. We look forward to welcoming you back for this in September!

Friday afternoon was a flurry of activity in preparation for the Summer Fayre – thank you to the PTA and staff for organising this and staying late to ensure it was all ready when the doors opened at 3:30pm. We look forward to confirming the total raised next week!

### Next week

Next week Year 2 have their leavers event at Mortimer St. Mary's swimming pool – please remember all items required for your child to take part.

Year 2 will also be showcasing their talent in their Leavers Assembly. Please note that School and Nursery finish on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 1.45pm and there is no Bumblebees on that day.

## **PTA News**

To see what you may have missed out on please visit the PTA on

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MrsBlandsPTA>

## **Get in Touch via –**

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**or catch someone on the playground –**

**Laura Hooke or  
Charmaine Kelly**

## **Little Acorns Class**

The book 'The Dinosaur That Pooped a Rainbow' has been enjoyed by the children this week in Little Acorns. They have been role playing with dinosaurs in the small world area as well as moulding playdough dinosaurs.

We have been learning a new song 'Pitter Patter Raindrops' and making marks on raindrop paper with our lovely writing skills as well as continuing to discover more weather phenomena.

The children have been busily creating Duplo masterpieces on the carpet, continuing to develop their sharing skills with the toy cars and garage and moving their bodies to music as well as improving our yoga skills.

In Maths, we have been making patterns out of 2D shapes including squares, triangles, diamonds, rectangles and circles. There have been lots of shells around the Nursery this week. We have been using them in Maths to put them in order of size, and to decorate our beautiful sandcastles, as well as to draw around on the white board. We have also been drawing around other shapes including squares, triangles, rectangles and circles.

Outside, the children have enjoyed role playing celebrations, dancing with rainbow scarves and blowing/popping bubbles, exploring the water wheels in the water tray, crawling through tunnels and inside tents, and having fun with diggers in the sandpit.

## **Acorns Class**

This week in Acorns Class, we have revisited all the things we have learnt this year.

We have re-read lots of stories from all our 'authors of the term' and the children were very good at remembering the author names and some key facts about each one.

We have continued to practise our name writing and number writing this week and are very proud of how independent all of the children are becoming.

In Science, we recapped on all of the different experiments from the year. The children said the favourite ones were the volcano and the skittles experiment!

It was lovely to see so many parents come in for open afternoon. I think you will all agree the children have worked very hard this year and this shows in their learning and positive behaviour around the school. Well done for a fantastic year and we hope you all have a lovely summer!

## Maple and Beech News (Reception)

This week we have made our own class information books about sea creatures. We also had a demonstration from Mrs Rose about how to paint a fish onto silk and then had a go ourselves. Our finished paintings look amazing.

In Maths, we have talked about position and direction, making maps from stories we have learnt this year, our journey to school and treasure maps.

In Geography, we have looked at world, UK and Mudeford maps, recapping some of the key vocabulary we have learnt this year.

It was lovely to see so many parents on Wednesday and the children loved sharing their wonderful work from the year. We are so proud of how much they have learnt!

Just a reminder, please can your child bring spare clothes in on Monday for our reward water play afternoon.

We hope you all have a lovely summer!

## Birch and Cherry (Year 1)

It's been a busy last week in Year 1!

In English, the children have been writing facts about The Elizabeth Tower / Big Ben, using sub-headings to split their work into organised sections of information. It's been great to see how much their independence for writing has progressed from the beginning of the year!

To conclude their learning about The Great Fire of London, the children have thought about the impact of the fire and what changes have since been made to prevent or improve the response to such an event. See if your child can describe how buildings in London have changed or how the fire service has improved.

In Geography, the children have been comparing London to Rio de Janeiro in Brazil. Can your child recall some of the physical and human geography features of Rio de Janeiro? Can they say how it is similar or different to London? The children have enjoyed learning how to use Google Maps to explore these cities, so perhaps, with close supervision, they could use this some more over the holidays to expand their geographical knowledge.

In art, the children have been adding the finishing touches to their paintings and drawings of London monuments. We hope you enjoyed seeing the variety of artwork they have produced this year when visiting on Wednesday!

I'm sure you'll agree, from seeing their books and work on display, the children have worked so incredibly hard this year and we are very proud of their achievements. Thank you for all your support at home.

We wish all the children a happy, safe and fun-filled summer break.

## Hazel and Rowan (Year 2)

Wow, we can't believe it has been our last full week in Year 2. It has been such a wonderful year and it has really flown by!

This week has been very focused on our production. The children have amazed us with their effort and enthusiasm for the performance. Their singing is absolutely beautiful, especially on some of the slower songs and their acting is oscar-worthy! We are so excited to share the performance with you all next week. A big thank you once again to everyone who has supported their child with lines, provided a costume and listened to them singing the songs over and over - you probably know them just as well as we do! We will be recording the performance and putting it up on Seesaw for anyone who is not able to make it; please do let us know if you need your log in details.

On Wednesday, we were thrilled to see so many parents in school for the open afternoon. The children loved having the opportunity to share their learning with you, it was lovely to see so many of them beaming with pride and sharing their achievements. We hope you could see just how far they have come this year and how hard they have worked. We are extremely proud of every single one of them.

We have lots of fun activities planned for our final few days - on Monday we will be having our final rehearsal of the production and Hazel class have a special treat for winning the bottle tombola earlier this term (no spoilers!). On Tuesday we will be visiting Mortimer St Mary's for a swim and then enjoying a special lunch prepared by JP and his team. On Wednesday we will be performing, signing our leavers books and saying goodbye to staff leavers in assembly.

Mrs Harlow, Mrs Jones and Miss Henly would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Year 2 children and parents for a great year. The children have made us laugh daily, kept us on our toes and given us so many reasons to be proud, we will certainly miss them next year. We hope you all have an amazing summer 😊



This week the children enjoyed watching Performance Clubs end of year production of Matilda. The children sat and watched very nicely and some even said they would like to do acting too. During the week, we were busy playing in the role play area. We were looking after babies and making lots of different meals. The children have enjoyed playing shopkeepers too, selling items using the tills.

We have had a lovely year and to celebrate we will be having a disco on Tuesday 18th July. All children are welcome from Breakfast Bees and Bumblebees. If your child does not attend on a Tuesday, they are welcome to stay until 4.30pm and can be picked up from the main school office. All regular Tuesday children will then go back to Bumblebees for the dinner.

Thank you so much for all donations of toys over the year, we are very grateful. Have a lovely summer!

### Bumblebees Stars

Friend

Dinner Star

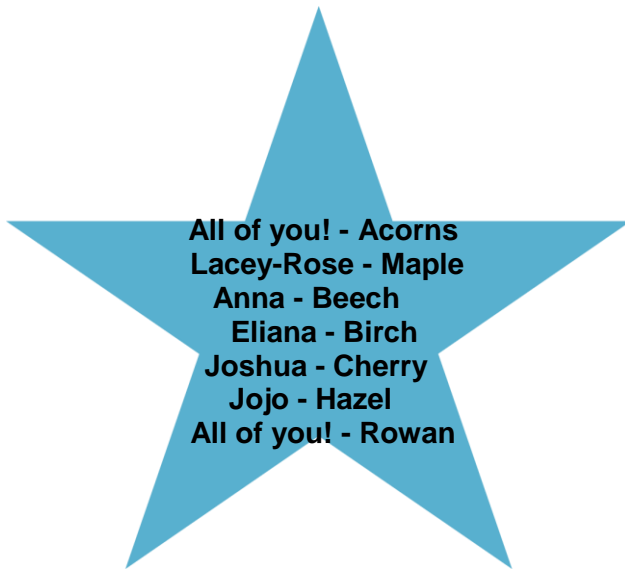
Playtime



All of you have been stars this week! Thank you for helping with the PTA Summer Fayre 😊

# Whole School Stars

## Star of the Week



## Friendship Star



## Playtime Star



## Top Maths Doodlers



## Top Doodle Class! - Rowan

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## **School Lottery**

**Please click on the link below to access the new school lottery where you can win money and prizes whilst supporting the school. Please share this link with your friends and family. The more people that buy tickets, the better the prizes and the more money we raise. Thank you for your support and good luck everyone!**

**The PTA**

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