



Nutley Newsletter



Friday 15th May 2026

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REACH OUR FULL POTENTIAL,
FOLLOWING THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS**

HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see so many of you in Celebration Worship today, coming together as a whole school community to celebrate our childrens' achievements.

This week our fantastic Year 6s have done us proud during SATs week. You gave it your all and we are so proud of you all for persevering throughout the week- and now it is all done! Thank you to Miss Marshall, Mrs Marshall, Mr Lovett, Mrs Breeze, Miss Watts, Mrs Shearer and Rev Ben for your support invigilating the tests throughout the week.

Some of our Year 5 children visited Christ's Hospital to take part in a drama and music day at the school. The children had a great time. Here are some of their thoughts on the day:

'It was fun and there was lots for us to do'

'I thought it was Hogwarts, we went to the theatre and the dancing was my favourite'

'The drama was really cool and the puppetry was my favourite, making them look around and breathe like a human'

'We mixed in teams with random children from different schools'

We rounded off Thursday afternoon post- SATS with a fantastic Joe Wicks workout assembly in the hall which saw all of our children joining in with Joe, showing us all their best moves. A great time was had by all.

Wishing you a calm and fun weekend ahead before diving into the final week of Term 5,

With all best wishes,

Helen Denton

Class News



RABBITS

This week in Rabbit class we have been learning all about bees. We learnt the parts of a bee, why bees are important and what jobs they have. The children then wrote their favourite bee fact! As well as bee writing, we also had fun creating lots of artwork this week, including a class beehive and a bee that was made up of all different shapes. This fit in nicely with our maths as we have been learning how we might manipulate shapes and use them for a purpose. In phonics, we have moved onto polysyllabic words (words with more than one syllable) as well as being introduced to our last four tricky words! Next week and in term 6 will be spent consolidating all of our phonics sounds and tricky words. Well done on a great week Rabbit Class and a massive well done to year 6 for all of your hard work during SATs week! Have a restful weekend.

HEDGEHOGS



It has been another full and busy week for Hedgehogs in Week 5. We have been continuing our learning about fractions this week, learning about unit fractions and equivalent fractions. Ask us what $\frac{2}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ have in common! In English we have been learning about the features of non fiction books, working up to creating our own non fiction page based upon the book 'How does chocolate taste on Everest?'. In DT we have been planning our floating vessels and we are looking forward to building them with recyclable materials next week! In our science lesson we learnt about how worms build their homes and will be building a wormery next week!

Class News Cont..



FOXES

This term is flying by! Fox class have been working really hard this week. In English we have been writing drafts of our river poems and have been including a variety of features that we have already covered, such as similes, onomatopoeia, metaphors, repetition, rhyme, alliteration, and imagery. They are really beautiful poems 😊 In maths fox class have been continuing to learn about decimals and we have been using place value to help us. We have been partitioning decimals, making a whole, recognising halves and quarters as decimals, and lots more! In science we made classification keys to identify different tree types. We came up with particular questions so that the answers could direct you to a tree. In geography foxes made a comic strip about a rain drop and its journey from a Rivers' source all the way to the sea. In art fox class had Mrs Denton for the first part and myself for the second. They made brilliant collages and it was lovely to see a real mix of soft coloured materials being used and some popping colours being used on others. In computing we updated our quiz game and included some more coding to take it further and make it more enjoyable when someone plays it. Have a fantastic weekend! 🌞



BADGERS

This week, Y6 have absolutely bossed their SATs. We are all so proud of their hard work and perseverance through the 6 papers. Thank you parents for supporting them with all their preparation, and thank you Year 6 for being so brilliant. Thank you also to the helpers who have given up their time to help administer the SATs papers. Y5 have also been fantastic this week, working independently on designing a country. They have had to consider geography, currency, languages, population and other interesting facts. They created a PowerPoint which they presented to the rest of the class on Friday, before we voted on who had the country we'd most like to visit. In PE, Badger Class choreographed a dance battle which was filmed for us all to enjoy. 5 girls from Y5 visited Christ's Hospital for a day of dance and drama, where they represented the school beautifully. To end such an exhausting week, we had a movie afternoon to celebrate all our hard work. Have a relaxing weekend!

Forest School Round-Up Term 5

This term the classes have been using all the new fresh green leaves that have come out on the trees to create some beautiful hammered leaf prints. This was done by gathering up a selection of different leaves of all shapes and sizes, they were then placed on half of a piece of fabric. Folding the fabric in half a hammer was then used to bash the fabric all over, with every bash the juices from the leaves came out onto the fabric creating a symmetrical picture.

Each class was given a tub filled with double cream and tasked with shaking it all the way to the woods. Arriving at the woods the tub was opened and the cream is no longer cream, all that shaking had turned the cream to butter. The children were able to try the butter on a cracker, many of the loving it and asking for seconds.

The dens created this term have been very creative. The children in Foxes gathered themselves up a selection of long sticks all roughly the same size and length, using other lumps of wood they bashed these sticks into the ground creating a fence around their den. They also gathered lumps of rock to create a pretend camp fire.



Christ's Hospital Year 5 Performing Arts Day

Five of our Year 5 girls attended a performing arts event at Christ's Hospital School in Horsham this week. Thank you to Mrs Henriques for being their chaperone for the day! They enjoyed watching some students perform a drama sketch at the start of the day, and more students sing songs from their production of Frozen at the end of the day. There was a Frozen them to the whole day! They had workshops on dance, singing, drama and making puppets and displayed some real talent! Well done girls!



Dates to Remember

May

- Tue 19th Yr5/ Pioneer Football Tournament
Yr5 Rounders- Uckfield College
- Fri 22nd Last Day of Term 5
Extended play on the field

June

- Mon 1st INSET Day
- Tue 2nd First Day of Term 6
- Thu 14th
- Fri 19th Sports Day and PFA BBQ
- Thu 25th Non-Uniform Day
(Bring an item for the fete hamper)
- Sat 27th Nutley Village Fete

Attendance Year to Date

Whole School **95.3%**

Rabbits **94.6%**

Hedgehogs **95.4%**

Foxes **96.3%**

Badgers **95.2%**

Just a gentle reminder that government guidelines are to fine families taking more than 5 days consecutive holiday. Please be aware of this before booking holidays during term time!

Team Nutley Achievements

Class Certificates

- Rabbits- Evie N, Bertie F-G
- Hedgehogs- Harry S
- Foxes- Lachlan G, Olivia O'D
- Badgers- Year 5, Year 6

Values Award- Compassion

- Rabbits- Tessa S
- Hedgehogs- Ethan C
- Foxes- Santo A
- Badgers- Georgia M

Staff Superstar- Miss Watts

Star Badges

- Rex E- 100 stars
- Danyil T- 500 stars



UPCOMING CLUBS

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Nutley Primary School

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ATHLETICS CLUB

WEDNESDAY

Day: Wednesdays

Year Groups: Reception - Year 6

Time: 15:20-16:15

Dates: 3 June 2026 to 15 July 2026 (7 Sessions)

Cost: £47.25 (£6.75 per session, £47.25 for the term)

Come and join us for our fun Athletics after school club!

Filled with loads of fun activities and games including; Sprinting, Middle Distance, Long Distance, Hurdles, Relays, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Javelin, Discuss, Shot Put and loads more, book now and enjoy!



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27th - 30th July

10:00 - 15:00

Ages 5 - 8

Horsted Keynes Village Hall

4 days £180

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The children will start with nothing but their **CREATIVITY**.

We will build a show together in 4 days—from scratch.

Using **TEAMWORK**, **COMMUNICATION**, and **IMAGINATION**.

The children will decide the theme and characters,
write the script and songs,
design and make the costumes, set, and props.

They will welcome you as the front-of-house team
and perform **their** show.

It might be about aliens, or dinosaurs, or world peace... but what it will be is
MULTIDISCIPLINARY, CREATIVE, AND LOTS OF FUN!



Rhiannon Newman Brown has 20 years experience as a theatre and event designer. She has devised education projects for The Royal Ballet & Opera, Garsington, and English National Opera. She is passionate about using the performing arts to build confidence, creativity, and future skills for young people.

Grace Hitchen studied Drama at the University of Exeter. She is a super keen actor who just wants to share her excitement and love of drama. She leads drama workshops for kids aged 4 to 12, playing games, making stories, and creating plays. She can't wait to get started and meet you all!

