

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the latest edition of the Gazette. We are moving into the last half term of the year and it's great to look back on all the events and learning that have taken place this year. It's also great to see our Nursery thriving with our 2 Year old provision open now (Moon Room) and filling up continuously.

We're hoping to develop the school further as we grow and now seems the right time to consider setting up a PTA for Grace Cook. I've had some interest from parents. If you'd like to find out more please message me directly on Dojo.

We've been delighted to have many additional uses of the school since opening in September 2022. Kicks and Tricks have now established themselves as an after school club provider (Currently Gymnastic on Thursday 5.30 - 6.30) as well as supporting our lunchtimes and our Sports Day this year. Please look out for them on social media for their latest holiday offerings in the area.

Thanks to all the families that joined us to celebrate the King's Coronation - it was great event and we look forward to many celebrations in future.

Mr Dedicoat - Headteacher

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## Diary Dates

What's coming up next term?

Monday 29th May - Half Term

Tuesday 6th June - New Intake meeting  
6.00pm

Thursday 8th June - Lackford Lakes Trip

Week of 12th June

Phonics Screening (Y1)

Friday 23rd June - Sports day  
(From 1.30pm)

Thursday 6th July - Sports Blast

Transition to new classes week  
beginning Monday 17th July

Friday 21st July - Last day of Term

New Term Starts on Wednesday 6th  
September 2023



## Nursery - Star room

Star Class have been very active in their learning this month. We have been exploring and understanding the key features of the life cycle of a frog, expanding on our knowledge of the 4 key stages the frog goes through. Thinking about how we respect nature and how we need to care for living things. The malleable tray has been used to re-enact a pond, using stones and sticks and weed, exploring texture and capacity.

Our Rising 5's have been encouraged to use the writing table, providing opportunities for them to write some or all of their name. We have been painting and chalking pictures of frogspawn, thinking about how we draw a circle, a closed shape, a continuous line to represent an object. Building tremendous butterfly houses in our construction area and learning a few facts about King Charles and enjoying creating our celebratory biscuit in his honour. They were delicious!





## Moon Room



### Moon Class News

Moon Class have been finding their feet this month, learning new routines and getting to make new friends. The children have been engaged in daily story and song time, imaginative small world play, down on the farm and dinosaur stomping. They have been enjoying a tale or two about stick man and recreating their own stick person using glitter, paints and pastels. Outdoor time has seen all our children exploring the garden and the space. Pushing along on a bike, rolling and catching balls, painting the fence with our paint brushes, making mud pies and feeling the sand with our fingers.



## Sun Class

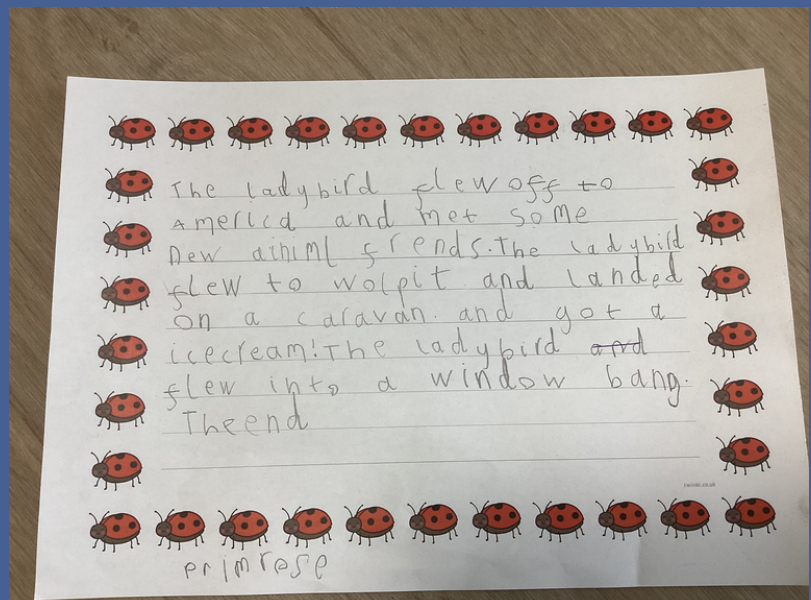


As we enter into the Summer term, I reflect on the amazing progress every child has made since September, across all seven areas of the curriculum. Independence, confidence, and resilience are characteristics that have been developed, alongside a love for learning, which will support them as they make the transition into Year 1.

In Sun Class this term we are exploring the natural world. The start of the term has been all about insects ending with an 'Ugly Bug Ball'. After half term we will focus on growing, looking at plants and vegetables and will be heading off to Lackford Lakes for our Summer term trip.

In literacy we are writing in sentences and even trying to write our own stories. In maths we are continuing to explore number looking at doubling facts, number bonds and patterns when we count.

This will be a busy term with lots to enjoy.





## Mercury Class

In Mercury class this half term we enjoyed our Science learning looking at everyday materials. Our favourite lesson was testing whether materials are waterproof or not and we considered why we need waterproof clothing. We all got a little wet! In Maths we learnt about fractions of shapes and amounts and also began to explore telling the time. We were always busy writing in Mercury class and this half term we focused on letter writing, editing and improving our own work, and 'free writing.' This was our time to be as creative as we liked! I can't quite believe there is only one more half term to go!

I know we will continue to work hard and will finish the year smiling!

Well done Mercury!

