



School Newsletter

FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2026



Headteacher's insight

As we move into the final two weeks of the academic year, our **calendar is packed with exciting opportunities and memorable events for our children**. This week, our Reception children thoroughly enjoyed their visit to a local farm. I was incredibly proud to hear that they received glowing compliments from members of the public and staff at the venue, who commented on their excellent behaviour, enthusiasm and manners. They were wonderful ambassadors for Fen Ditton Primary School.



Looking ahead, we are eagerly preparing for our annual **Sports Day on Wednesday 8th July, which will begin promptly at 9:15am**. The event is expected to last up to two hours, and we warmly welcome parents and carers to join us as spectators. The PTFA will be selling refreshments throughout the morning, so please do come along to cheer on our children and enjoy the event with us. As always, we will continue to monitor the weather forecast closely and will contact families as soon as possible should any changes to arrangements become necessary.



Our **Science Fair will now take place on Friday 10th July**, alongside our rearranged **Summer Fair**, creating a wonderful afternoon of celebration for our school community. A huge thank you to all of our families who have supported their children in creating such imaginative and thoughtful science projects. Every entry was proudly shared within classes today, and teachers had the incredibly difficult task of selecting a small number of projects from each class to present at the fair. However, every single project submitted will be on display, and **we warmly invite parents and carers to visit from 3:30pm** to view the entries, cast their vote for this year's winning project and enjoy everything our Summer Fair has to offer.



Alongside these whole-school events, we also have two fantastic sporting opportunities for our children through ALPSA. On Wednesday 8th July, a team of 12 Key Stage 1 children will represent Fen Ditton at the ALPSA Multi-Skills Festival, before a squad of 40 Key Stage 2 athletes compete at the ALPSA Athletics event at the local athletics track on Wednesday 15th July. We wish all of our competitors the very best of luck and know they will represent our school with determination, teamwork and pride.





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Next Friday 10th July also marks the final day that children will spend with their current class before beginning **Transition Week on Monday 13th July**. This provides an invaluable opportunity for children to get to know their new teachers, classmates and learning environments ahead of September. Transition Week also includes our much-anticipated whole-school trip to Milton Country Park on Tuesday 14th July, where every child and member of staff will spend the day learning, exploring and making memories together. We are also looking forward to our PTFA School Disco on Wednesday 15th July, with ticket information and booking details to follow shortly from the PTFA.

Finally, we are looking forward to welcoming families to our **Summer Fair on Friday 10th July**. To help reduce queuing on the day, **tokens can be purchased in advance from the PTFA at drop-off and pick-up throughout next week or from the school office during the week**. My sincere thanks go to our fantastic PTFA for the enormous amount of time, energy and commitment they invest in organising events like this for our school community. Their dedication creates wonderful experiences for our children and families, and we are incredibly grateful for everything they do to support our school.

Enjoy your weekend everyone before we move in to the last fortnight of the school year together.



Mrs Thompson

Mrs Emily Thompson
Executive Headteacher





Dragonflies Class

Dragonflies have been incredibly busy over the last week packing in the final bits of learning before a new leap into their next year group!

In **maths** they have been exploring mass, capacity and temperature. They have learnt new measurements for mass and capacity, compared different measurements and put their knowledge to the test with problem solving using the four operations.

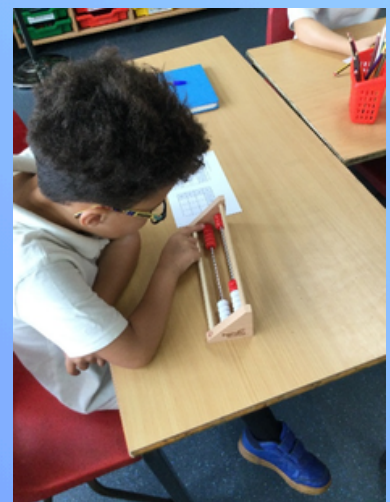
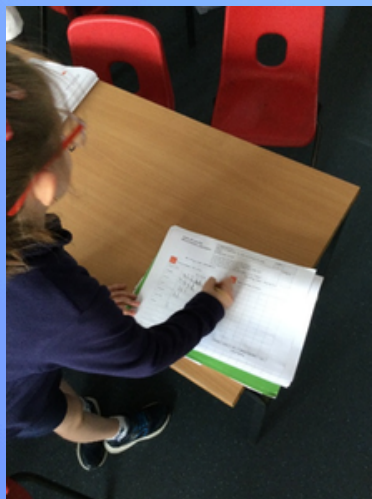
In **English** we have started our final book 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. We have been using our questioning language to try and find out more about the lost penguin. They then worked hard on their descriptive language to describe the penguins emotions at being lost as well as using past tense and time adverbials to retell the story in their own words.

Science was a blast this week when they were tasked with becoming marine biologists. They have a voice note from a scientist who had noticed issues with our oceans and the classroom became an ocean as the children worked together to identify the amount of animals they could find in our classroom 'ocean' as well as the problems they found, such as lower numbers of animals and litter. They then wrote a note back to the scientist with their findings!

In **Geography** they enjoyed exploring how the coast is used by tourists and what a tourist is in different places.

Finally in **PE** they loved getting involved in group games of 'rounders' using their batting, bowling and fielding skills to work as a team and score runs.

Another fabulous week for everyone. As we move into our final week as Dragonflies 2025-2026 we cannot wait for the fun activities ahead and will enjoy every last moment together!





Hedgehogs Class

It's been a busy and exciting couple of weeks in Hedgehogs Class, packed with hands-on learning, creativity, and lots of fun!

In **Maths**, we have been exploring angles and triangles. The children particularly enjoyed taking their learning outside, where we created acute, obtuse and right angles using our bodies and natural materials. We then extended our understanding by investigating different types of triangles. Using sticks and teamwork, as well as positioning our own bodies, we created a range of triangles, helping to bring our learning to life in a practical and engaging way.

The recent warm weather has also given us the perfect opportunity to enjoy some treats. We were very grateful to the PTFA, who kindly provided us with delicious ice pops. These helped us to cool down and were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!

In **English**, we had the exciting opportunity to take part in an author workshop with Eric Huang. This inspired us to develop our own ideas and creativity as we began writing our own fantasy stories. The children showed fantastic imagination, creating unique worlds, characters, and adventures.

In **Computing**, we have been learning about HTML and how websites are created. The class has enjoyed exploring how different elements come together to build a webpage and beginning to understand the structure behind the websites we use every day.



Activity 2: Getting to know your Lunar Zodiac Animal

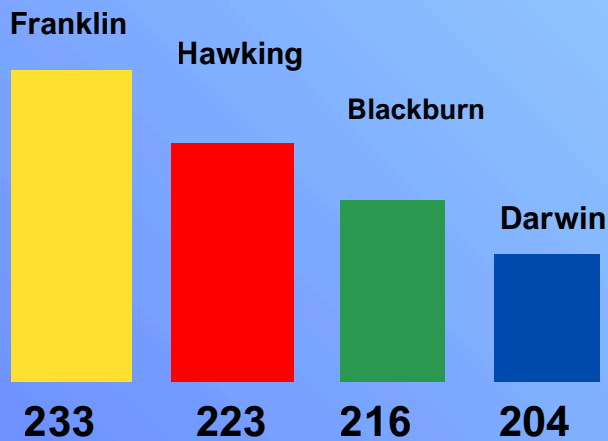
a) Create a sketch of your animal
b) What is their dream?
c) What powers do they have?





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This Week's House Points



Freddie, Owls Class

Macy, Badgers Class



Summer Term - Key Dates



- **Wednesday 8th July:** Sports Day - morning
- **Wednesday 8th July:** Sports Alliance Year 1 and 2 event - selected teams
- **Wednesday 8th July:** School Reports to be sent home
- **Thursday 9th July:** Science Fair event - 3:30-4pm - Parents & Carers Invited
- **Friday 10th July:** Year 6 Play in a Week performance 2pm
- **Friday 10th July:** Summer Fayre - after school
- **Wednesday 15th July:** Sports Alliance Year 3-6 Athletics event - selected teams
- **Wednesday 15th July:** End of Year Disco - after school
- **Thursday 16th July:** Year 6 Leavers assembly 2.45pm - parents and carers invited to attend
- **Friday 17th July:** Last day of the academic year



FEN DITTON PRIMARY SCHOOL PTFA

SCHOOL DISCO

Wednesday 15th July 2026

KS1: 3.30pm - 4.45pm

KS2: 5.00pm - 6.15pm

£4

SNACK INCLUDED



Tickets will be on sale at Sports Day. You can also buy tokens from 9th - 15th July at drop off and pick up, on the school playground. Tickets can also be purchased during school hours from the school office. Cash and card payments taken. Fen Ditton Primary School children only.

All proceeds to benefit Fen Ditton CP School

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FEN DITTON PTFA

SUMMER FAIR

FRIDAY 10TH JULY

3.30PM - 5.30PM

FEN DITTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

BOUNCY CASTLE

Tokens available

SUMMER RAFFLE ★ TOMBOLA

GLITTER FACE & TATTOOS

REFRESHMENTS

Hot Dogs, Cakes, Ice Lollies & Drinks

PLUS LOTS MORE

GAMES & ACTIVITIES

Tokens

We will be operating a token system to pay for activities at the event. You can pre-buy tokens from 6th - 10th July at drop off and pick up, on the school playground. Tokens will be available to buy at the event.

Cash and card payments taken.

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SUMMER TERM 2026

Summer Term Starts – Monday 13 April
May Bank Holiday – Monday 4 May
School Ends – Friday 22 May
Half Term - 25 May – 29 May
School Starts – Monday 1 June
Summer Term Ends – Friday 17 July
Inset Day – Monday 20 July

AUTUMN TERM 2026

Inset Day – Tuesday 1 September
Inset Day – Wednesday 2 September
Inset Day – Thursday 3 September
(Transition session (pm) & meet the teacher meetings)
Autumn 1 Term Starts – Friday 4 September
Autumn 1 Term Ends – Friday 23 October
Half Term - 26 October - 30 October
Inset Day – Monday 2 November
Autumn 2 Term Starts– Tuesday 3 November
Autumn 2 Term Ends – Thursday 17 December
Inset Day – Friday 18 December
21 December – 1 January – Christmas Holidays

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