



Year 5 Newsletter

23rd May 2025

Dear Parents

This term has flown by! In this last week in maths, the children found vertically opposite angles, calculated lengths and angles in shapes and practised written methods. In English, they wrote an imaginative prediction about what would happen next in our class book. They also showed empathy by writing a description of an event from two different perspectives, and wrote an informal diary entry. In science, we learnt about gravity and carried out an investigation to find the relationship between mass (measured in kg) and weight (measured in Newtons).



On Thursday, the children had a wonderful time in Woodland Learning, as they always do.

CAT tests

*The CAT tests were carried out today and the children took them in their stride. Mrs Holditch and I will be having meetings with parents during the day on **Friday 13th June**. In these meetings, we will discuss your child's CAT test scores and what they mean. We will help with the decision about whether or not you should put your child in for the PSE test (11+) although, of course, the final decision is yours to make. We can also tell you whether or not your child's work is likely to be of a high enough standard to support a Headteacher*

*appeal, if your child just fails the test. **If you would like an appointment, please phone the school office and choose an appointment slot that most suits you.** If you do not wish to have a meeting, I am still happy to share your child's CAT test results with you – just email the office or catch me after school.*

Year 6 Information Evening

*I am genuinely delighted to be taking your children into Year 6 next year. Since we know each other quite well, I will not need to have individual meetings with parents. However, we will be having a Year 6 Information Evening for all parents on **Wednesday 25th June 2025 at 7pm.** In this meeting, Mrs Holditch will talk about the PSE (11+) process, including how appeals work. She will then explain the process and timings for making your child's application for a secondary school place, as this has to be done quite early in the school year. This is important information, so I hope you will be able to attend the meeting. I will then go on to talk about Year 6 – the curriculum, SATs and other events that will take place next year. There will be plenty of opportunities to ask questions too.*

Home Learning

In science, we are learning about forces, including water resistance and buoyancy. The children's home learning is to make a boat! It can just be made from recycled materials. We will race the boats in the stream on Tuesday 10th June.

France Trip

*Just a reminder, we are leaving for France an hour later than originally scheduled, at **7:15am on Monday 2nd June.** Therefore, the children should arrive at **7:00am please.***

For those children not going on the trip, I have planned some work and some fun activities for them to carry out in school while we are away.

Have a great week off!

Best wishes,

Louise Grinstead