

Friday 3rd July 2026

“That they may have life in all its fullness”

Dear Parents,

The last couple of weeks have been filled with trips, extra-curricular opportunities and what has seemed like endless play rehearsals! As we approach the end of term, it has been pleasing to see everyone continuing to work hard and we look forward to the fun end of term activities we have planned.

Collective Worship:

This week, Mrs Barden explored the story of St John the Baptist and his important role in preparing the way for Jesus. The children reflected on John's courage in speaking the truth, his humility in putting others before himself, and the importance of standing up for what is right. We also discussed how we can follow John's example by showing kindness, honesty and courage in our daily lives.

Aerozone:

Last week, Frogs and Minnows enjoyed an exciting visit to Aerozone at Stansted Airport. During the visit, they learned about the history of the airport, explored the wide variety of jobs that keep it running and took part in a range of practical STEM activities. The highlight of the day was being so close to the runway, watching planes take off and land on the runway.



Food and Farming:

Years 4, 5 and 6 had a fantastic time at the Food and Farming Day at Writtle College. Although the weather was extremely warm, it certainly didn't stop everyone from enjoying the day and learning lots about where our food comes from and how it is produced. The children took part in a range of hands-on activities, met people working in the farming industry and discovered more about the journey food takes from field to fork.

Botanical Gardens:

Minnows and Ducklings had a lovely day at the Botanic Gardens in Cambridge, where they enjoyed exploring a variety of plants and habitats through hands-on activities. They learned lots about the natural world and had great fun discovering different environments as they explored the gardens.

Great Athlete Visit:

The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a series of fitness circuits with Sean Rose. Afterwards, Sean shared highlights from his sporting career and spoke honestly about some of the challenges he has overcome. His achievements and positive attitude were truly inspiring, reminding us all that with determination, resilience and hard work, we can achieve far more than we might think possible. Well done to everyone who raised lots of sponsorship money!



Class WhatsApp Groups:

Class WhatsApp groups can be a helpful way for parents to share information. However, they can also become a source of misinformation when messages are shared without the full facts. Please do not assume everything you read is accurate. If you have any questions or concerns about school, contact us directly. We are always happy to clarify information and would much rather address concerns promptly than have misunderstandings spread among the school community.

Skipping workshop:

The children had great fun taking part in a skipping workshop, where they learned lots of new skills and tricks while developing their coordination and teamwork. At the end of the day, they put on a whole-school skipping show to demonstrate everything they had learned. A huge thank you to FODS for generously funding the day and making this fantastic experience possible.

Sports Day:

A huge thank you to Mrs Hopkinson for organising this year's Sports Day. The children are very excited and will be taking part in a fun afternoon of events, competing in their house teams.

Key dates for Summer 2

Wednesday 8th July- Kingfishers performance
Thursday 9th July- Frozen @JFAN Y4,5,6
Thursday 9th June- Kingfishers evening performance
Friday 10th July- Summer fete after school
Monday 13th July- Ducklings pirate day

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind Regards,

Sarah Bailey

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