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Growing Together in Faith, Knowledge
and Love



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Headteacher Welcome

It is wonderful to be able to end this half term in beautiful sunshine and I hope the sun continues to shine over our 2 week break. During the first week back some pupils will have their statutory assessments - year 4 their multiplication test and year 1 their phonics testing. Thank you to parents for continuing to support your children through these even if it's a 15 minute practise everyday. Being calm and consistently practising their sounds or using TT Rockstars (including at weekends) will help them to retain the knowledge they need.

We have moved our sports week to later in July, I do hope you will be able to join us for this. This week our year 5's have been at Stubbers for their residential – they have been enjoying many physical activities and working together as a team. I am sure we will hear all about it next time.

Finally, I would like to say how proud I was of the children earlier in the week, when a funeral was held at the local church. The coffin and mourners passed the school during lunchtime and all pupils stopped as a mark of respect – they were so well behaved.

I hope you all have a fun filled break and we look forward to seeing you after half term.

Upcoming Dates

8.6.26	Year 6 to Chelmsford Cathedral
.6.26	Promotional video for school
15.6.26	Culture Week
15.6.26	lass photos
19.6.26	Wear colours or traditional dress from their country for culture week
	Open afternoon
23.6.26	Year 4 food and farming and camping trip

On 9th June we will be filming for a promotional video of the children. If you consent to your child being in this short film, we require completion of the authorisation on Arbor.

Thank you

Mrs Ball

Notices



The Big Clothes Swap

On the **3rd July** we plan to have a clothes swap. With the cost of uniform rising, we are keen to support preloved uniform and reuse it. As we come to the end of the year we plan to have tables outside with uniform that parents can take. Between 29th June and 3rd July, please bring in any good quality clothing can be passed on. This will only work if you take items as well as donate them. We see many good quality jumpers / cardigans going to land fill and would rather see them go to good use.

As the weather changes we all need to make sure that we are keeping children healthy (both for now and for the future) by protecting their skin. At school we will encourage children to play in the shade on very hot days or ensure we have indoor areas open that they can use. We also make sure that they drink plenty of water to keep them hydrated.

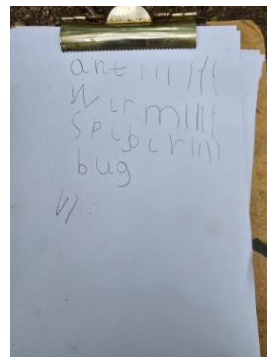
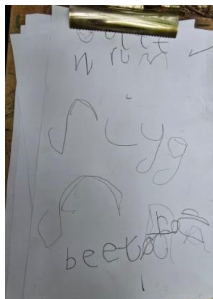
As parents, please talk to your children about the importance of looking after themselves in the sun. Send them to school with a sun hat and apply sun cream (we recommend factor 50) before the school day starts. Children can bring in a small named bottle of sun cream, but they must be able to apply it themselves – please teach them how to do this independently.





Bumblebees

We have been busy bumblebees! We have been learning about shapes and investigating how we can fit different shapes into each other. We have used different items to make fantastic shape pictures and used words like edge, straight and curved to help us describe the shapes.



In our muddy walk we have been doing some field studies. We have been looking at the flora and fauna that live in our woodland, we looked at different microhabitats and made notes of what we saw.

Hedgehog Class



Send me on the scenic route!



Hedgehog Class have really enjoyed being “professional programmers.”

We have been using Bee bots to help learn our directions in geometry whilst perfecting our programming skills at the same time!

We have been programming routes, solving input errors, and challenging ourselves to not always go the easiest way!





Year 2

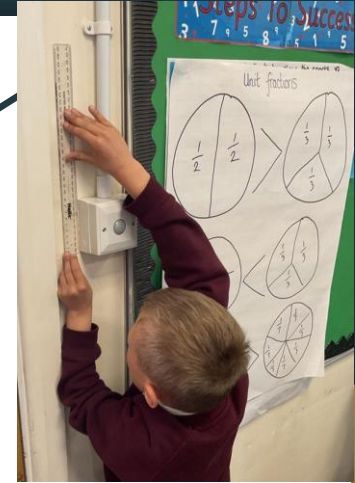
In geography we learned about the countries, cities and physical features of the United Kingdom. We coloured them in the colours of our houses; Each country's national flower! We also used the shading skills we learnt in our art lessons.

In the last couple of weeks, we have been working on telling the time on an analogue clock. This hasn't been easy! We have played matching games and enjoyed two lessons using the iPads.

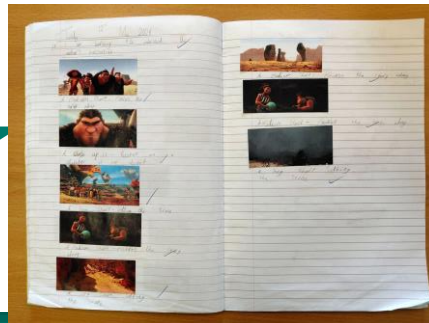


Year 3

We've enjoyed reading some new books this half term. A fiction book called 'Ug' by Raymond Briggs, which follows the life of a young boy from the stone age and his quest for soft trousers. A non-fiction book called 'The Secrets of Stonehenge' by Mick Manning and Brita Granstrom, in which we learnt about stone age Britain, the first farmers, gods and goddesses as well as the building of Stonehenge. We have also enjoyed watching some short clips of the film 'The Croods' to focus on some visual literacy; author's perspective, setting descriptions and different types of cinematic shots.



In science we have been learning about plants. We have focused on the functions of different parts of flowers, learnt to describe pollination and fertilisation and how to identify the parts of a leaf. We particularly enjoyed some time outside looking at the patterns that leaves made.

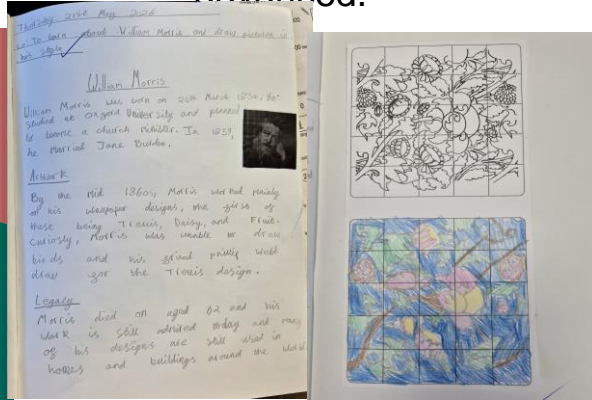


We have been working hard in Maths learning all about fractions; the numerator and the denominator, comparing and ordering unit fractions, and learning all about equivalent fractions. In length and perimeter we had a lot of fun measuring items around the classroom in centimetres and millimetres, adding, subtracting and comparing lengths as well as learning about equivalent lengths and perimeter.



Year 4

In our Topic we have been learning about the Stone Age and the Bronze Age. We learnt how they lived and moved around to follow food, but then they became the first farmers as they adapted and became more technologically advanced.



In Art we have looked at the life and work of William Morris, we created a factfile about him and had a go at copying a drawing in his style.

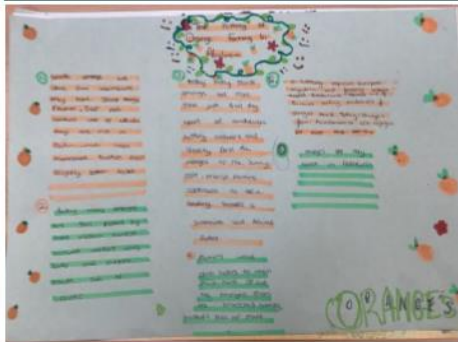


In our food nutrition sessions we have made fajitas, couscous salad and pizza, plus other tasty treats. We have weighed out ingredients, chopped up vegetables and enjoyed eating them!



As part of our topic we have been looking at the history of farming in Britain and how this has changed over the past 75 years.

We know that Paddington loves marmalade so we also looked at the history of Seville orange farming in Andalusia. We hunted information from around the classroom in groups and created information pages.

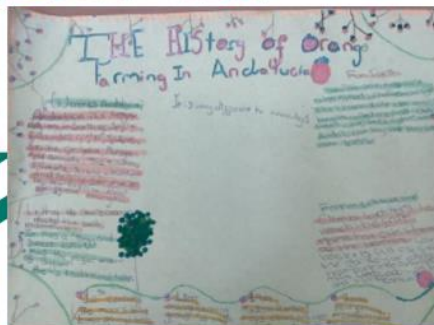
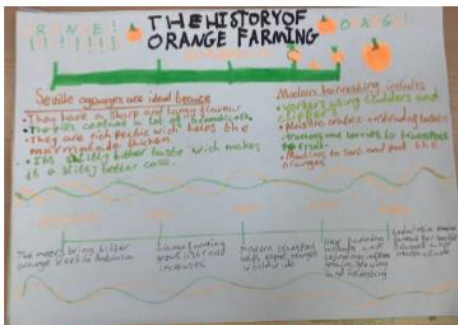


Year 5



In music we have been learning the ukulele. We have learned how to tune them, keep to a beat and a range of chords. This week we have started to learn how to play Freres Jacques. We are looking forward to performing this for you. We have also been learning how to play the African drums different call and responses.

In English, we have started to explore the narrative poem, The Highwayman. We have been finding features and understanding why the poet used them.



Clubs

UKA, Superstar Sports and Luv Dance will be running external clubs next term from 13.4.26. Our school clubs will begin on 20.4.26



WRAPAROUND PROVISION



Moreton C of E Primary School

Church Road, Ongar, CM5 0JD

w/c 13th April -
w/c 20th July

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Monday - Basketball & Netball Club

Tuesday - Cricket & Rounders Club

Wednesday - STEM Club

Thursday - Tennis Club

Club only 15:15-16:15 - £5.65
Full Provision until 18:00 - £12.25

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Week Commencing	Breakfast/Provision Theme
13 April	Spring into Sport
20 April	Planet Earth Week
27 April	British Traditions
4 May	Space & STEM Week
11 May	Teamwork Week
18 May	Amazing Animals
1 June	Protect Our Planet
8 June	Water & Oceans
15 June	Sports Festival Week
22 June	Superheroes Week
29 June	Tennis & Wimbledon
6 July	Summer Celebration

School Clubs	Tuesday Gardening club 8am	Wednesday Choir 3:15 – 4:15pm	Thursday Book Club 3:15 – 4:15pm Cooking 3:15 – 4:15	Friday Wellbeing Club : lunchtime
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BRINGS THE MOVES TO MORETON

STREET DANCE CLASSES FOR ALL AGES & ABILITIES

- Learn Street Dance Foundations
- Make New Friends
- Boost Your Confidence

EVERY THURSDAY
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4:15–5PM: AGE 6–9
5–6PM: AGE 10–11

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