



GLEBE

GLEBE PARENT NEWSLETTER



I hope you have all had a good week.

Another busy week but slightly more fun than the national assessments of last week.

We've had football matches, school trips and a class assembly to enjoy this week.

Peek at Next Week Sports Days!

Mystery Guest

Last week's mystery guest was... Mary Seacole. Well done to everyone who guessed correctly.



Attendance No. of sessions missed this week (SESSION = 0.5 DAY)

4V	4
6A	5
1M	6
3D	6
6L	6
6K	6
1G	7
3ME	7
2F	8
1S	9
RP	10
3G	13
4JL	13
2J	14
RB	17
5M	17
RW	20
4W	20
2C	22
5I	23
5IP	23

Whole School

256

sessions missed out of a possible 5870



HIGHLIGHTS

1G Class Assembly

Class 1G have waited patiently all year to perform their class assembly and, as the final class assembly of the school year, it really did not disappoint.

The children told us the features of different classifications of animals and all they had learned in their space topic. We found out what it is like to walk on the moon (not very easy, apparently) and the children had made some fantastic rockets in D.T.

The children sang and performed so confidently. Thank you to the staff - Mrs Grant, Miss Williams, Mrs Chidgey, Mrs Whittaker and Mrs Georgieva for putting such a wonderful assembly together.



HIGHLIGHTS

Year 2 Trip to Amersham

We had an amazing day at Amersham Field Studies Centre! The excitement started right away when we saw that our coach was a double-decker bus. Everyone was thrilled to sit on the top deck and we chatted and laughed the whole way there.

When we arrived at the centre we headed to the classroom for an interesting talk all about habitats. We discussed what a habitat is and what types of creatures we might find in a pond habitat. We used lots of scientific vocabulary like invertebrates, camouflage, predator, adapt and survive. It was fascinating to think about how animals live and survive in different environments.

After the talk we went out to the pond area. We split into small groups and each group had its own platform and equipment. Before we began we had an important safety talk about water safety. Then we took turns using nets to collect creatures from the pond. It was so exciting! We found dragonflies, pond skaters, water beetles and even newts. We carefully placed them in trays filled with pond water so they would stay safe. Then we sorted them into categories like "ones that wiggle," "black ones" and "ones with lots of legs."

After the pond activity we all washed our hands to make sure we were clean and safe before moving on.

Next it was time for lunch - and we got to eat in the forest which was so much fun! After lunch we had a chance to run around and enjoy the fresh air before heading off on our next adventure: minibeast hunting.

We walked into the forest to explore and search for minibeads. We all sat in a circle on logs with our equipment - pots, magnifying glasses and observation trays. Carefully we began searching under logs, leaves and around the forest floor to see what we could find. We also learnt about which plants to avoid. For example, we spotted foxglove and made sure to stay well away from it.

After our search we gathered back on the logs and sat quietly listening to the peaceful sounds of the forest - especially the birdsong. It was a lovely calm moment. Then we shared what we had found, observing each minibeast closely and discussing them using more scientific vocabulary. Finally we gently released them back into their natural homes.

Once the woodland activity was finished we washed our hands again to stay safe and clean before heading home.

It was a day full of discovery, adventure and fun, an experience we'll never forget!

Mrs Jan

MR YOUNG'S SPORTS NEWS

Boys Football

On Wednesday afternoon Sacred Heart came to Glebe for a football match. It was a really hot day but the boys did not let that faze them. It was a fantastic team effort and we started strong but unfortunately Glebe lost 2-0.

They worked hard for each other and never gave up and put in 100% effort.

Regardless of the result the team should be proud of themselves. Well done to Ahathya, Semiti, Josh, Zail, Jonathan, Riyaen, Kabir, Junaid, Isaac, Jacob.





MR DWYER'S SPORTS NEWS

Boys Football - West London Finals

On Tuesday, I took the boys' A Team to the West London Finals to compete to be crowned the best school in West London. Over 350 schools had entered their respective district and then borough competitions and we were down to the best 11, so we knew that the competition would be tough. The boys raced into an early lead in the first match, running out 3-0 winners and quickly followed that up with a 2-0 win in their next match. With the sun shining down mercilessly, the boys had to battle their way back from 3-1 down to clinch a 3-3 draw with the last kick of the game, in their third fixture, which meant they only needed a draw in the last group fixture to secure a place in the semis. Somehow, the game ended up a draw, despite Glebe peppering the opposition goal relentlessly throughout, but it didn't matter – the boys were through! In the semi-final, we played Oak Hill – a team that we beat in the semi finals of this competition last year. They had looked dangerous in their group, finishing first place, but this didn't worry the boys and, thanks in no small part to some monumental defending from Daniel, Glebe cruised into the final 3-0! Glebe had made it to the West London finals for a second year on the spin but, having finished runners up last year, could they go one better this year? Unfortunately, it wasn't to be and in a closely contested game, they narrowly lost 1-0. It was a shame to end such a positive season in such a way but winning the district cup, the Borough tournament and finishing second in West London is a fantastic achievement.

MR DWYER'S SPORTS NEWS

Boys Football - West London Finals

A huge well done to: Fletcher, Oscar, Harley, Harry, Georgie, Elliot, Ethan, Blake and Daniel. Mr Young and I have loved working with the Year 6 boys over the last 2/3 years and are proud of all they have achieved representing Glebe – we hope that they will look back proudly at their achievements in years to come and wish them all the best for secondary school and beyond.



PROUD PAGE

Boys Football Team

I can't let this achievement go without a mention for this team. To those members of the team who are nearing the end of their time at Glebe, I wanted to take this opportunity to say how proud we all are of them and their staggering achievements. You have represented Glebe magnificently and I would never have imagined in my early years at the school that Glebe would become the team that everyone in Hillingdon and West London wanted to beat. But you have achieved that status for us. I know the members of the team who are in year 5 have been inspired by your efforts and I know will continue your legacy.



Georgie, Elliot, Ethan, Blake and Daniel - thank you. You have confirmed your legendary status and all pupils who participate in future Glebe teams will know your names.



Amazing play every day for every child

OPAL UPDATE

This week we have added some diggers to the small world area!

The children have used the diggers to scoop, move, and build with the mud - just like real construction workers. We also added buckets and spades to the sandpit boxes to allow the children to build, dig and be even more creative!

We have also introduced boxes of various shapes and sizes along with crayons so the children's imagination can run wild. We've seen rockets, shops, cars, cardboard used as shields and so much more.

This week also saw the giant 4 in a row game make its way onto the playground.

Thank you to those of you who have taken the time to let me

know how much your children are enjoying their playtimes now. It really is lovely to see their excitement just before and throughout playtimes and lunchtimes.





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OPAL HIGHLIGHTS

Our OPAL Charter

We have the right to play and enjoy OPAL.

We have the responsibility to make sure everyone enjoys playtime by making sure:



we treat the toys as if they are our own.



we use the equipment safely.



we share the toys.



we will look after the storage boxes.



we tidy up all of the equipment as soon as the bell rings.



we work with the adults to look at the risks.



that equipment stays in the correct zone.



we stay safe.



that everyone feels included.



we play fairly.



that we are aware of our surroundings.



we listen to the instructions that are given to us.

If we follow these rules, we will have the best time ever!

REMEMBER

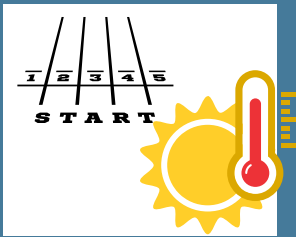


Key Information & Dates



Parking for Sports Days

Please don't forget to display a note on your dashboard indicating that you are attending sports day next week. You can park within the white bays on Sussex Road and Glebe Avenue between 09:30 to 12:30.



Sports Days - Weather

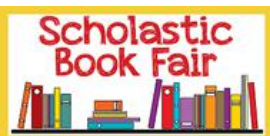
At the time of writing this newsletter, the forecast suggests the weather will be cooler next week. However, we are planning to put a couple of contingencies in place to help the children with the sun/heat. During the races, we will seat the children who are waiting under the trees at the back of the field which provide shade all morning. Rest times are planned in to the timetable but we will ensure the picnic benches that the children sit on during these breaks are also in the shade. We will judge on the day whether we need to reduce the amount of time the children are completing each activity. FOG are very kindly providing ice pops for each child at the end.



Parent Views

We had a few last minute responses which took our total to 114 and I have updated the analysis to reflect these.

The results, the data analysis and actions in response to feedback has been sent out with this edition of the newsletter.



Scholastic Book Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who came and supported our book fair last week. You bought in incredible £1446.21 worth of books, giving Glebe a commission reward of £795.42. This will be put to good use by boosting and updating our class and school libraries.

REMEMBER



Key Information & Dates



The Pantry.

As part of our ongoing responsibility to ensure Best Value, we have reviewed our current school meal provision. I would like to inform you that we have made the decision to terminate our existing contract with The Pantry, which will expire in December 2025. We will be re-procuring school meal services in due course, with the aim of ensuring a high-quality, cost-effective service is in place from January 2026 onwards.



Reporting Absence

Please can I remind all parents and carers to use the dedicated absence email address to report your child's absence. You may also Dojo the class teacher in addition to the email but not instead of. If it is a planned absence, i.e. an appointment, evidence of this must be attached to the reporting email.



A Plea from the Year 6 Leavers Committee

It's that time of year again! The Year 6 leavers committee would love donations of thin summer tights for the year 6 leavers colour run for the last day of school. We would appreciate any donations in the box in the school office. Thank you



Volunteers and Parking

We really appreciate all offers of help at school, whether this is to come in to hear children read, to manage the school library or to accompany a school trip. Unfortunately, though, we are unable to offer access to the staff car park to volunteers as we have no spaces available. If you need to come by car and park, please consider alternative options before offering your time as we would hate to disappoint.

REMEMBER



Key Information & Dates



Summer Term - 2025

- Monday 23rd June
- KS1 Sports Day: 9.30 - 11am
 - New Reception Induction meeting - 2pm in the school hall
- Tuesday 24th June
- EYFS Sports Day: 9.30 - 11am
- Wednesday 25th June
- LKS2 Sports Day: 9.30 - 11am
- Thursday 26th June
- UKS2 Sports Day: 9.30 - 11am
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- Tuesday 8th July
- Meet the Teacher & Open Evening 5 - 7pm
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- Tuesday 15th July
- Year 6 production to parents 9am
- Wednesday 16th July
- Year 6 production to parents 5pm
- Thursday 17th July
- Year 6 production to parents 6.30pm
- Friday 18th July
- End of Year reports sent home
- Saturday 19th July
- FOG Summer Fete
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- Monday 21st July
- Non-uniform day for winning House Team
- Tuesday 22nd July
- Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 9.15am
 - School year ends - 1 hour early (2.20pm/2.30pm)

UPDATES



doodlemaths

This week's winners are

1S

1M

Well Done to both classes!



Parenting Support and Advice!

Please come and join us for coffee and a chat on
Tuesday 1st July
2:30pm – 3:15pm (meet at the School Office)

Annmarie, who is the new Family Support
Co-ordinator for Family Lives, will be in school along
with Mrs Connolly and Mrs Sheldon to offer help and
guidance to all!

Family Lives provides targeted early intervention and
support to families. If you need to talk, they are here to
listen.

Annmarie Fevrier

Free confidential helpline on 0808 800 2222

Email us for support at askus@familylives.org.uk

Talk to us online via our [Live Chat](#) service

Online advice and information on all aspects of family
life at www.familylives.org.uk

Face to face groups and workshops

Find us on social media @FamilyLives @BullyingUK



HILLINGDON COUNCIL'S CLOSURE OF THE RURAL ACTIVITIES CENTRE

Dear Hillingdon Resident,

I need your help. For over 40 years, vulnerable young adults with autism and/or learning disabilities from all over Hillingdon have attended the award-winning Rural Activities Garden Centre (R.A.G.C.) on West Drayton Road, Uxbridge, UB8 3JZ. However on Friday, 30th May 2025, the young adults with learning disabilities and their families who use the centre were shocked to be informed by the London Borough of Hillingdon that it had decided to close the Rural Activities Garden Centre (R.A.G.C.).

Councillor Eddie Lavery (Ickenham and Harefield Ward and Environment and Community) is planning to make the final closure decision at the Cabinet meeting at the Civic Centre on Thursday, 26th June (from 7pm). YOU CAN HELP STOP THIS BY SIGNING THE e-PETITION:

Stop the London Borough of Hillingdon's Closure of the Rural Activities Garden Centre How to Sign the ePetition in 3 Easy Steps:

- 1. Go to: <https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/existing-petitions>**
- 2. Click 'Sign an existing e-petition'**
- 3. Click 'Stop the London Borough of Hillingdon's Closure of the Rural Activities Garden Centre'**

Time is short to save the Rural Activities Garden Centre. Please encourage your family, friends, neighbours or anyone else you know who is a resident in the Borough to sign the ePetition before Wednesday, 25th June 2025

Dominic Craddock (Lead Petitioner – Rural Activities Garden Centre)





James from 4W and his mum are taking part in sponsored walk to raise awareness and support for HALO charity which supports bereaved children.

If you happen to be free, you are welcome to join in with us in this yearly event which always turns out as healing and gratifying.

For those that prefer to donate, there is a Just Giving page: Halo Children's Foundation. As there is more than one Halo charity, please look at the logo which has angel wings on each end.

Thank you and keep walking 🚶

James and his mum Elena.



Children's Foundation

5K SPONSORED WALK

OPENED BY THE LOCAL MAYOR OF HILLINGON

SATURDAY 28TH JUNE 2025

TIME: 11AM

BARRA HALL PARK, HAYES, UB3 2NH

ALL SPONSORS RAISED WILL GO TO SUPPORT CHILDREN AND
THEIR FAMILIES WITH BEREAVEMENT.

If you would like to participate
in this walk to help raise money to support
bereaved families, or would yourself like support
that halo can offer?

Please contact us on:

WWW.HALOCHILDRENSFOUNDATION.ORG.UK

INFO@HALOCHILDRENSFOUNDATION.ORG.UK




HOME INFORMATION

June's Musician of the Month




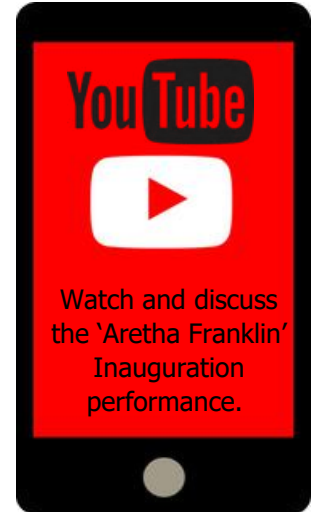
ARETHA FRANKLIN

Now Playing



SPOTIFY

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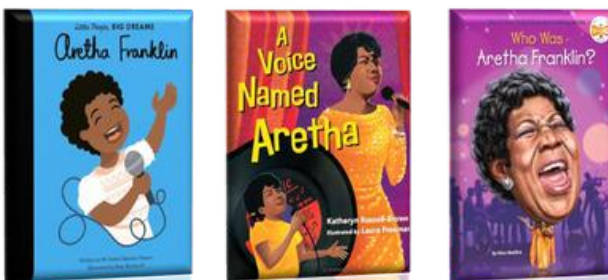
About: Aretha Louise Franklin was an American singer, songwriter and pianist. Referred to as the "Queen of Soul", Rolling Stone twice named her as the greatest singer of all time in popular music. As a child, Franklin was noticed for her gospel singing at New Bethel Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan, where her father C. L. Franklin was a minister. She went on to sell over 75 million records worldwide and received 18 Grammy Awards. From her time growing up in the home of a prominent African-American preacher to the end of her life, Franklin was immersed and involved in the struggle for civil rights and women's rights.

Genres: R&B/Soul, Gospel and Jazz

Active from: 1954-2017

Origin: Memphis, Tennessee, U.S.A.

Books to read...



If you like Aretha Franklin, try...

- Etta James
- Ann Peebles
- Al Green



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about YOUTUBE KIDS



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

As its name suggests, YouTube Kids is a child-friendly version of Google's online video-sharing platform. Its colourful user interface is designed with young people in mind, and it offers a curated, family-friendly experience with features like age-based content settings and parental controls.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT BYPASSING FILTERS



YouTube Kids is less likely to show inappropriate material than YouTube, but there have been reports of the app showing age-inappropriate content to young viewers. One investigation found that YouTube Kids had shown videos that promote skin bleaching, weight loss, drug culture and firearms to children as young as two, as inappropriate content had bypassed the platform's algorithms and human moderators.

BE WARY OF ADVERTISING



Like Google's regular YouTube app, YouTube Kids features pervasive advertising before a video plays. While these adverts are designed to be family friendly and are subject to a strict review process, it's worth noting that YouTube Kids collects information around children's viewing to inform targeted content and advertisements.

DESIGNED TO BE ADDICTIVE



YouTube Kids is designed to be addictive. The platform's design features, such as the constant stream of new videos and the reward system of points or virtual stickers, can be very engaging and make it difficult for children to switch off. Research has shown that spending too much time using digital services such as YouTube can lead to screen addiction, affecting children's daily routines, studies, and even their social lives.

SETTINGS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED



YouTube Kids offers built-in parental controls, enabling you to set screen time limits and curate the content children are able to view; however, children are often more tech-savvy than we think. They can easily bypass or tweak these settings if they have access to the associated Google account password, thereby exposing themselves to age-inappropriate and potentially dangerous content.

AI-GENERATED MISINFORMATION



There is also a risk of children accessing videos that contain disinformation and misinformation. A BBC investigation found that some YouTube channels are using artificial intelligence (AI) technology to create misleading 'scientific' videos that are recommended to children as educational content. These videos included conspiracy theories and ideas that lack scientific backing.

DATA COLLECTION RISK



While there are limits on the data that YouTube can collect on children under 13, children can still inadvertently give away sensitive information when using YouTube Kids. The platform collects data on children's viewing habits, content searches and location, which YouTube and third-party advertisers can use.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PARENTAL CONTROLS

YouTube Kids offers several settings that allow you to manage what content children can view. For example, you can choose what level of content you want them to access, such as 'Preschool' or 'Younger'. You can also turn off the search function, so that only those videos approved by the YouTube Kids team themselves will appear on a child's recommendations list.

CHECK WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has made it easy for you to keep an eye on what the children in your care have been watching on the app. By clicking on the 'Recommended' icon at the top right of the home screen, you can see which videos they've been viewing, and how much of each. If a child watches YouTube Kids while signed into a Google account, you can check their history through Google's 'My Activity' page.

SET TIME LIMITS

The built-in parental controls let you keep a tab on how long children spend watching videos. You can set a timer that limits screen time and disables the YouTube Kids app once a specified length of time has been reached. It's also worth speaking to children about the dangers of spending too much time on YouTube, to ensure they remain focused on other, more important activities.

WATCH TOGETHER

It's important that you try to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for children. One way to do this is by introducing watching sessions, where you all gather around and share the most enjoyable videos that you have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you both new things to talk about and of keeping an eye on what they're watching.

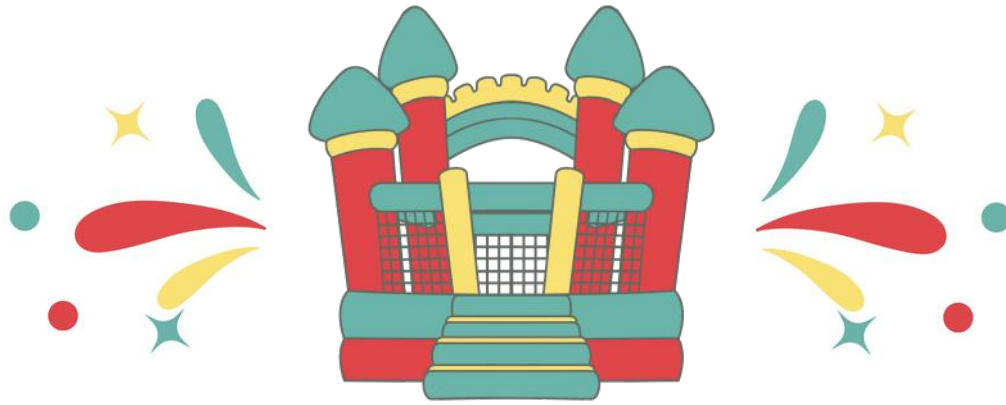
Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced journalist with more than 10 years of experience covering the technology industry. Previously a senior cybersecurity reporter at TechCrunch, Carly is now a freelance journalist, editor, and copywriter. Her bylines include Forbes, TechRadar, Tes, The INQUIRER, The Metro, Uswitch, and WIRED.



The National College®

Friends of Glebe are proud to host
Glebe Primary School's



SUMMER FETE

Saturday 19th July

SAVE THE DATE

- *bouncy castles • assault course • giant slide • penalty shootout*
- *face painting • games stalls • entertainment*
- *The FoG Inn • market stalls • yummy food vans • and much more!*

We'll keep you informed as plans develop and keep your eyes peeled for when ticket sales open





High Fliers

We're Back This Summer at Glebe Book Your Holiday Club Place Now!

Dear Parents and Carers,
We're thrilled to be returning to Glebe this summer with our High Fliers Holiday Club!

We can't wait to welcome both familiar faces and new friends for another season of fun, creativity, and adventure.

Our popular, Ofsted-registered club is open to children aged 3-4 and offers a vibrant mix of activities to keep your little ones active, engaged, and smiling all summer long!

From cookery and yoga to science experiments, clay modelling, and team games, there's something for every kind of High Flier!



Camp dates: Wednesday 23rd July – Friday 8th August



Times: 8:30am – 3:30pm daily (half & extended days available)



Book now: <https://bookwhen.com/highfliersharrowhillingdon>
(childcare vouchers accepted)

Spaces are limited, so we encourage you to book early to avoid disappointment!

We also can't wait to meet many of you at the summer fete - please come and say hello if you have any questions or just want to find out more about what we do!

We're excited to be part of Glebe community once again and look forward to many happy holiday memories ahead. And don't forget – we'll be back for future school holidays too!

See you this summer!
Warm wishes,
The High Fliers Team

As featured in **primary**
times

High Fliers

HOLIDAY CLUB

Combines Learning with a Great Holiday!

THIS SUMMER at Glebe Primary School

Join Us This Holiday!

- ✓ Nurturing & Warm Environment
- ✓ Qualified & Experienced Teachers
- ✓ Specialist Workshops
- ✓ Engaging Activities

AGES
3+

W1: Wed 23rd - Fri 25th July

W2: Mon 28th - Fri 1st Aug

W3: Mon 4th - Fri 8th Aug

8:30am-3:30pm

half & extended days available

 high-fliers.com

 07466 550567

 Russell Sq | Ealing | Eastcote |
Harrow | Ickenham | Northwood |
Ruislip | St Albans



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HIGHLIGHTS

RECEPTION



A carriage for Cinderella



We made a gingerbread cottage for the witch.



We designed a castle for a princess



We drew fairytale characters



We read fairytales



We designed our own book cover



Gingerbread man story maps



In Reception we have been learning about Fairytales and read the story of the Gingerbread Man.



Fun in the mud kitchen



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HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR 1



HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR 2



Year 2's visit to
Amersham Field
Study centre.



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HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR 3



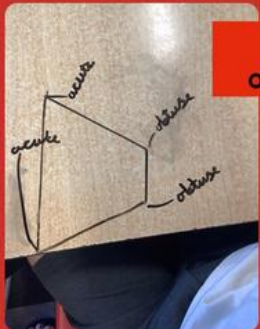
We did lots of work on comparing angles in maths this week.



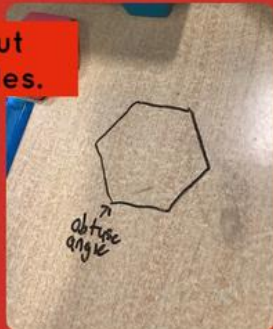
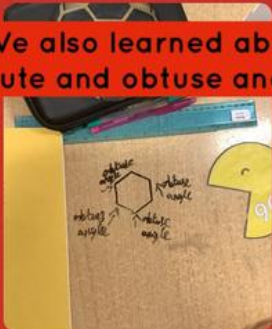
We found right angles in our environment.



Team building skills in PE!



We also learned about acute and obtuse angles.



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YEAR 4

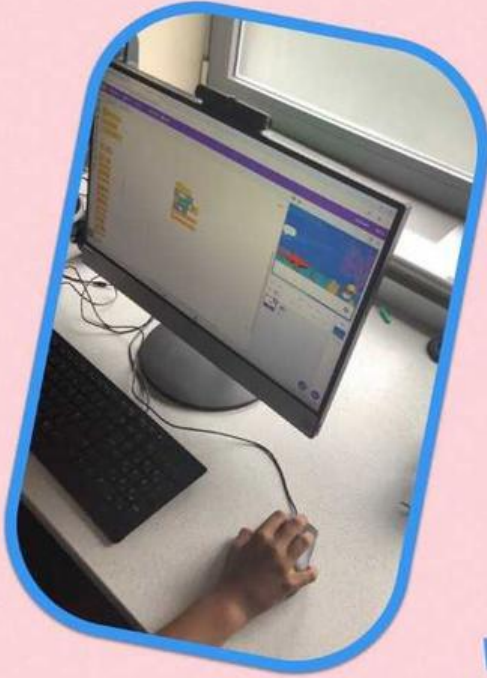


☀️ **Year 4 writing outdoors** ☀️



HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR 5



YEAR 5

WE HAVE BEEN ENJOYING OUR NEW
TOPIC USING CODE TO CREATE QUIZZES.



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HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR 6



Year 6 Money Zones workshop with Metro Bank



HIGHLIGHTS

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Penney

Who is our mystery guest?

Clue 1: I was born on 2nd May 1972 in California, USA, to a Samoan mum and a Canadian dad.

Clue 2: I am a 10-time wrestling world champion AND an actor appearing in lots of action movies.

Clue 3: My wrestling name rhymes with The Sock!

Clue 4: I am quoted as saying: "Success isn't always about greatness. It's about consistency. Consistent hard work leads to success. Greatness will come."



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