George White Junior School Newsletter

Friday 6th February 2026

As we come to the end of yet another busy action packed week, I would like to thank you for your continued support and partnership with the school.

On Monday, we enjoyed a wonderful Day of Heritage, which brought together the rich cultures and diversity within our school community. Pupils took great pride in sharing and learning about different cultures, traditions and experiences. It was a lovely celebration of inclusion and respect, and a reminder of the strength of our diverse school community.

Today we celebrated NSPCC Number Day. It was lovely to see so many children dressed wearing a number, and so much effort had clearly gone into the outfits. The creativity and enthusiasm shown by the children made the day a real success and helped to promote a positive and fun attitude towards maths across the school and partnership.








We are pleased to welcome two new members of staff to our team this week. Miss Dube and Miss Pardon have joined us as Teaching Assistants, supporting learning across Year 3. They have already settled in well, and we are delighted to have them as part of our school team.

Looking ahead to next week, Parents' Evening will take place after school on Tuesday and Wednesday. We very much look forward to welcoming parents and carers into school to share and discuss the progress your child is making and to continue working in partnership to support their learning.

Next week is also Children's Mental Health Week, alongside Safer Internet Day on Tuesday. Throughout the week, children will take part in a range of learning and creative art activities focused on wellbeing, emotional health and staying safe online. These activities are designed to help pupils reflect, express themselves and develop important skills for both school and life beyond.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. We wish you a restful and enjoyable weekend.

This Week's Attendance

We hold a celebration assembly every Friday morning to share and celebrate the children's achievements. During this assembly, we also recognise the class with the highest overall attendance for the week. Each individual child's attendance counts towards this.

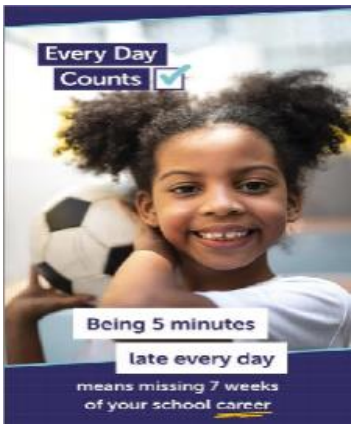
Well-done to 4T this week, for having the highest attendance.

6E: 97%
6W: 97%
5W: 93%
5D: 94%
4T: 99%
4B: 95%
3C: 95%
3L: 95%

Whole school attendance for this week: 95%

School Target: 96%

Please remember the gates open at 8:30am and close at 8:50.



Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Leads

Mrs. Petchey, Mrs. Stolworthy, Mrs. Greenwood, Miss Derer, Mrs Thorpe, Miss Whing, Mrs Burman and Miss Alderton.

These members of staff monitor and manage all safeguarding practices and ensure staff are supported and have the training they need. Please ask to see one of these adults if you are worried about the safety of a child at school.

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child out of school hours, then the number to ring is:

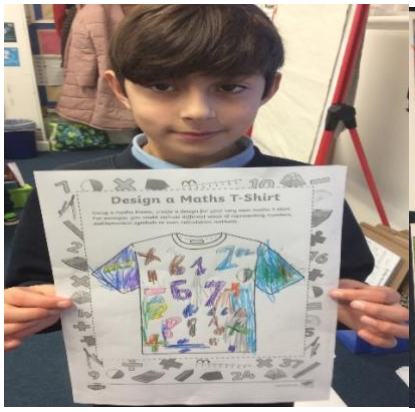
CADS – Children's Advice and Duty Service – 0344 800 8020

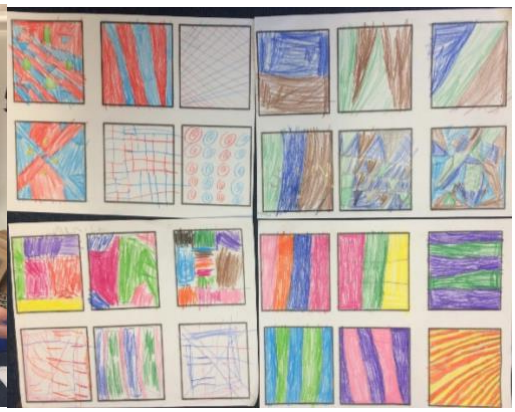
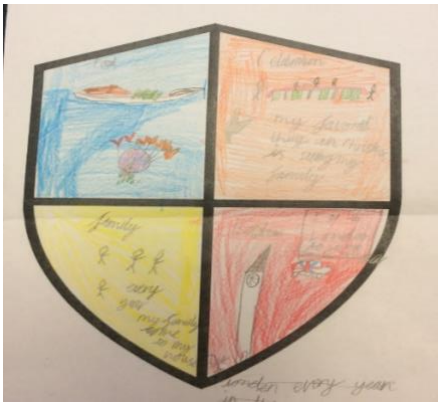


Look at what we're learning

Year 3

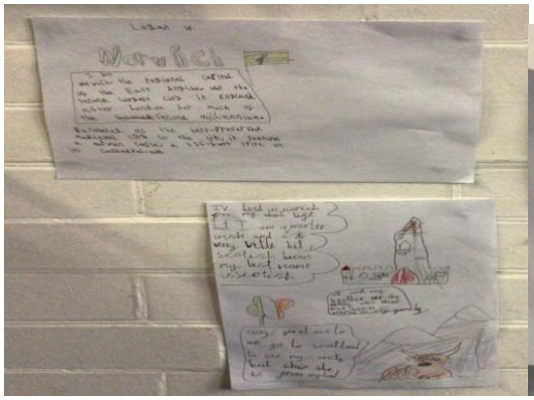
Year 3 had a wonderful time celebrating Heritage Day on Monday. We explored our own backgrounds and talked proudly about our family traditions, celebrations, favourite foods, and hobbies. The children created a heritage shield to represent what is important to them and designed their own heritage patterns, inspired by traditions from their families and cultures. It was a thoughtful and creative day, and the children loved sharing and learning about each other.



Year 4

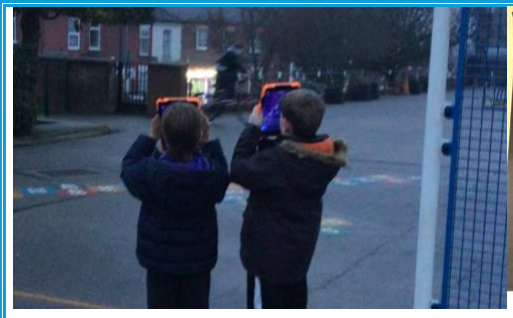
Year 4 had a fantastic week! On Monday we celebrated Heritage Day. We spent time looking at Norwich and our local heritage. The children then had opportunities to explore their heritage and learn about different cultures. This week the children have also completed their PIXL assessments; they have approached this with such resilience and perseverance. We are all proud of them!





Year 5

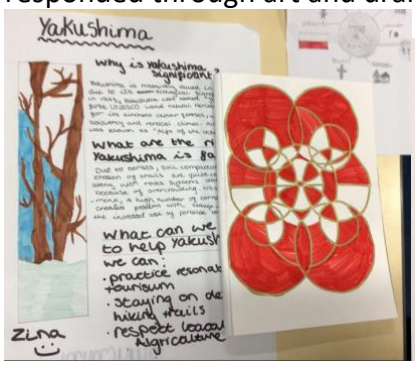
Year 5 had a fantastic week celebrating Heritage Day on Monday! We spent time exploring our heritage and learning about different cultures, and replicating cultural patterns inspired by traditional designs. Another highlight this week was our Y5 stargazing event on Tuesday – a wonderful chance to explore constellations and create our own, with some wonderful pieces of artwork produced! A huge thank you to everyone who came along to this event – we hope you had a great time!

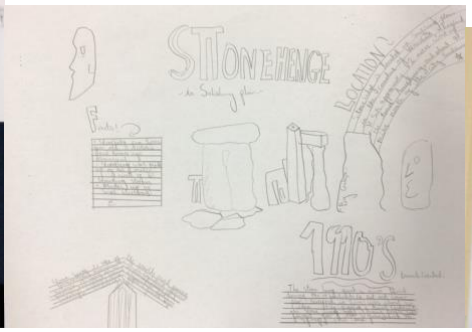




Year 6

We had a fantastic day on Monday celebrating International Heritage Day. It was so great to hear the children reflect on the culture and traditions that mattered to them as well as showing appreciation for others. Throughout the day, our classes wrote speeches, researched world heritage sites and responded through art and drama to shared heritage. It was a lovely day.

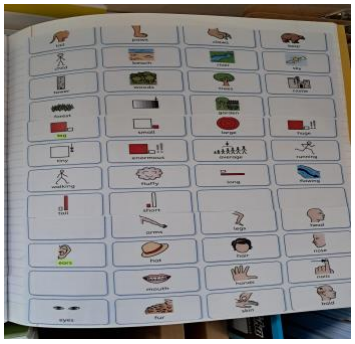


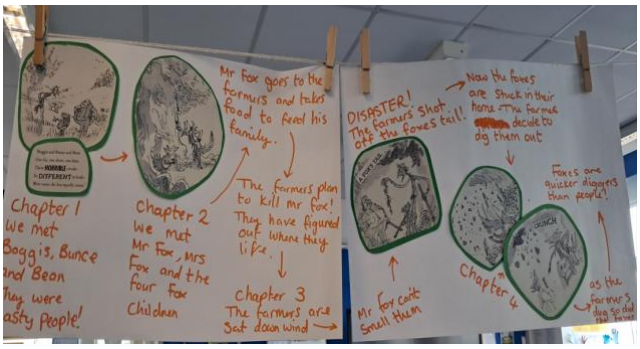




SRB

This week we have been looking at characters in books. Our comprehension group are reading 'Fantastic Mr. Fox' and the description of the farmers is very detailed! We then made a word bank with some adjectives which we could use to describe our own choice of character and children highlighted the words they would want to use. We look forward to seeing their finished work!





Dates for the Diary 2025/2026

Monday 9th February	CPR Training with East Anglian Air Ambulance
Monday 9th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 10th February	Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 10Th February	Parents Evening 3.30 - 5.00pm
Wednesday 11th February	Parents Evening 3.30 -7.00pm
Friday 13th February	End of Term at 3.20pm
Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February	Half term holiday
Monday 23rd February	Back to school – gates open at 8:30am
Monday 23rd February	Year 4 Multiplication Timetable Check Meeting with Parents at 3.30pm
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day – Details to follow
Monday 9th March	Year 4 trip to How Hill
Tuesday 17th March	Open Classroom for all year groups 3.20pm
Tuesday 24th March	School Photographer in taking Class group photos and Year 6 Leavers Portraits
Thursday 26th March	Easter Bonnet Competition and parade
Friday 27th March	End of Spring Term – 3.20pm
Tuesday 14th April	Start of Summer term 1 – gates open at 8.30am
Monday 4th May	Bank holiday Monday – school is not open on this day
Monday 3rd June – Wednesday 3rd June	Year 6 Residential trip to Eaton Vale
Monday 8th June	Aspirations Week- Details to follow