

Granard Primary School and Cedar Base

"Growing together; Achieving together"

NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all had a restful half term break. It was great to see so many children bringing their 'holiday homework' into school last week.

Last week our Year 6 children went on their residential trip to Blackland Farm. A huge thank you goes to all the staff who gave up their time to stay with the children – Miss Breeze, Miss Marshall-Ash, Mr Coats, Miss Welch and Mr Wheeler. Thank you also to Mr Innes who drove the mini-bus there and back several times and to all the staff who supported the day trip too. The children had an amazing time, despite the inclement weather!

Our Year 4 children have been working really hard on the Multiplication times tables tests this week and our Year 1 children have been having their phonics assessments this week. Well done to all the children who have worked so hard to do their best in these assessments.

As the weather is looking as though it will be hot and sunny next week, please ensure children have sunhats and water bottles in school and that you apply sun cream before they come into school. We are also hoping to have **ice lolly sales on the playgrounds after school**, so, please bring some cash with you when you collect your children at the end of the day!

In preparation for our **Summer Fair on Friday, 26th June**, we have a **'Funky Socks' Day on Friday, 19th June** in exchange for children bringing in a donation for the tombola or a toy.

SAFEGUARDING SEGMENT

The traffic around the school can be very congested at times and, once vehicles are free from the congestion, they can often travel away at speed. Please supervise your children carefully when bringing them to and from school and ensure that you remind them of the importance of checking the road carefully before crossing. Thank you!

CHILD CAR SEATS: THE LAW

Reminder that it is illegal to allow your child to travel in your car without using the correct car seat.

The law states:

Using a child car seat or booster seat

Children must [normally use a child car seat](#) until they're 12 years old or 135 centimetres tall, whichever comes first.

Children over 12 or more than 135cm tall [must wear a seat belt](#).

You can choose a child car seat based on your child's height or weight.

Height-based seats

Height-based seats must be rear facing until your child is over 15 months old. Your child can use a forward-facing child car seat when they're over 15 months old.

You must check the seat to make sure it's suitable for the height of your child.

Only approved height-based child car seats can be used in the UK. These have a label showing a capital 'E' in a circle and 'R129'.

Weight-based seats

The seat your child can use (and the way they must be restrained in it) depends on their weight.

Only approved weight-based child car seats can be used in the UK. These have a label showing a capital 'E' in a circle and 'ECE R44'.

You may be able to choose from more than one type of seat in the group for your child's weight.

	Group	Seats
0kg to 10kg	0	Lie-flat or 'lateral' baby carrier, rear-facing baby carrier, or rear-facing baby seat using a harness
0kg to 13kg	0+	Rear-facing baby carrier or rear-facing baby seat using a harness
9kg to 18kg	1	Rear or forward-facing baby seat using a harness or safety shield
15kg to 25kg	2	Rear or forward-facing child car seat (high-backed booster seat or booster cushion) using a seat belt, harness or safety shield
22kg to 36kg	3	Rear or forward-facing child car seat (high-backed booster seat or booster cushion) using a seat belt, harness or safety shield

Manufacturers can now only make booster cushions approved as group 3. This will not affect any existing booster cushions in group 2 and you'll still be able to use them.

Fitting a child car seat

You must only use a child car seat if your car's seat belt has a diagonal strap, unless the seat is either:

- specifically designed for use with a lap seat belt
- fitted using ISOFIX anchor points

You must also:

- deactivate any front airbags before fitting a rear-facing baby seat in a front seat
- not fit a child car seat in side-facing seats

The [Child Car Seats website](#) has information on how to choose a seat and travel safely with children in cars.

Children with disabilities or medical conditions

The same rules apply for children with disabilities or medical conditions, but they can use a disabled person's seat belt or a child restraint designed for their needs.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JUNE

Wednesday 17 th	10 a.m. – 12 p.m. 5.45 p.m.	Base parents' workshop – Puberty Reception intake 2026 – parents' information meeting
Thursday 18 th		Year 6 visit to Roehampton Library – author
Friday 19 th	2.45 p.m.	Year 1 class assembly – parents invited Funky Socks Day in exchange for bringing in a tombola donation or a toy
Monday 22 nd		Wellbeing week
Tuesday 23 rd	5 p.m.	Roehampton Street Band Procession (near Roehampton library)
Wednesday 24 th	11:45 a.m. 2.15 p.m.	Brass end of year concert (Year 4 and Year 5 & 6 continuers) Battle of the Books competition Nursery – Teddy Bears' picnic Reception parents writing workshop
Friday 26 th	3.30 p.m.	Summer Fair
Tuesday 30 th	6 – 7 p.m.	Secondary transfer day 'Meet your new teacher' day in Granard Roehampton Street Band concert at Holy Trinity Church, Roehampton

JULY

Wednesday 1 st	11.30 a.m.	Year 4 brass concert at Holy Trinity Church, Roehampton Year 5 taster day at APA
Thursday 2 nd		Additional Secondary transfer day for some schools
Friday 3 rd	2.45 p.m.	Eco-Warriors at Stamford Bridge Cherry class assembly – parents invited
Monday 6 th	6.30 p.m.	Year 5 cycling proficiency Meeting for Base parents (new and existing)
Tuesday 7 th		Mainstream and selected Base classes Sports Day at Roehampton playing fields
Wednesday 8 th		Nursery and selected Base classes Sports Day at school
Thursday 9 th		Reception trip to Bocketts Farm
Friday 10 th	2.30 p.m. 2.45 p.m. 4.30 p.m.	Street Band perform at Heathmere school Apple class assembly – parents invited After School Care closes at 4.30 p.m. School reports sent home to parents
Saturday 11 th		Roehampton Street Band playing at Wandsworth Music Academy Summer Fair (Burntwood School)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY

Monday 13th

Base summer event

Trip to West Wittering (Mainstream and selected Base children - Reception to Year 6)

Nursery and SEN Nursery closed

Wednesday 15th

ASC summer party

Thursday 16th

10.30 a.m.
4 – 6 p.m.

Year 6 production – **parents invited**
Year 6 leaver's party

Friday 17th

1.15 p.m.
1.30 p.m.

Base children leave – Break up for Summer holidays
Mainstream children leave – Break up for Summer holidays

INSETS & HALF TERM DATES

✓ Monday 20th July 2026 - INSET Day

TERM DATES

Scan this QR code for the **term dates** for **this year** and **next academic year**.

[Or click here](#)



PARENTS MENU

Scan this QR code to go straight to the **Parents Menu** on our school website.

[Or click here](#)





SPORTS AT GRANARD



On Tuesday, at the Athletics competition, we had a really fun day. We competed against 8 different schools. Here are some of the activities we took part in: some of us did high jump, long jump, javelin, 80m sprint, 400m sprint and 800m sprint. Pupils did 1, 2 or 3 activities. I competed in 3 different events. First I had to do a high jump, then a 4x100m relay and finally an 80m sprint. I came first in the high jump, then fourth in the relay and first again the 80m race!

We all had a great time, here are some things the other Year 5 children said:

"I liked how fast people ran in the relay races". (*Royah*)

"I liked doing the 400m relay using the baton." (*Muhammad B*)

"I liked doing the girls Year 5 relay because I like working together." (*Mira*)

"I liked it when I was doing the 400m relay and we worked together." (*Ezekiel*)

"I liked the 400m relay." (*Joaquim*)

"I liked doing the boys' running activities." (*Elijah*)

"I liked doing the running activities yesterday." (*Chloe*)

~ Isabelle 5F ~



WILLOW CLASS

Willow Class have enjoyed learning about Healthy Eating!

We made some pizzas using sauce from tomatoes, cheese from a cow and basil from a plant!



2S FOREMAN

Money Matters

Year 2 have been busy learning about money this half term. We explored making different amounts using coins and notes. There are so many different ways to make the same amount!

We discovered it's not as easy as saying $6p + 7p = 13p$. These coins don't exist! We hope that we'll be able to use our new skills when we go shopping.



BOOK SHARE EVENT

Before half term, we held a fantastic Book Share event where every child in the school was able to choose a free book to take home and enjoy.

It was wonderful to see such excitement for reading, and we hope the books inspire many happy reading moments at home!

Miss Abdalla, English Lead



6R ROWLING

6R science: Light and Shadows

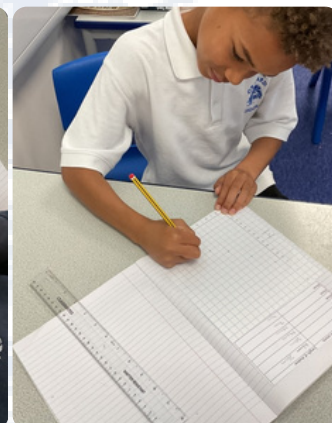
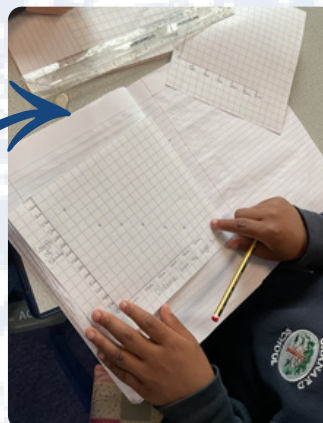
Our 6R scientists have been busy investigating the fascinating physics of light this week.

Using the scientific principle that light travels in straight lines, the children investigated how shadows are formed when light is blocked by opaque objects. They took their learning to the next level by planning and conducting a test to see how changing the distance between a light source and an object changes the size of a shadow.

This experiment was a fantastic opportunity to bring maths skills to life: working in teams, the children meticulously measured distances in centimetres, recorded their data and plotted their results onto line graphs to track the patterns.

We were very impressed by their scientific curiosity and mathematical accuracy throughout the investigation.

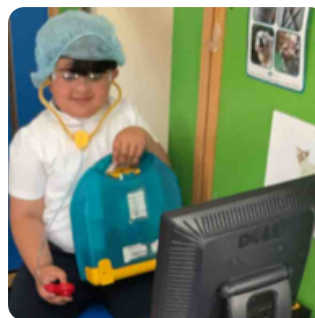
Well done, 6R!



RM ROSEN

Reception have started their new topic: **Amazing Animals**. Their new role play area is a Veterinary surgery and the children are thoroughly enjoying dressing up as a vet, taking appointments, listening to the animals' heartbeats, giving the animals injections and so much more!

Thank you to the parents who sent in pictures of their children's pets; the children stood up in front of the whole class and spoke confidently about their pets and the other children loved learning about them too.



3G MURPHY

Year 3 enjoyed their hands-on Anglo-Saxon Day recently! From rune making, weaving, carving and historic art, the children were able to step back in time and experience what life may have been like during the Anglo-Saxon period.

They embraced every activity with great enthusiasm, developing new skills and deepening their historical understanding. It was a fantastic day of immersive learning that brought history to life for everyone involved.



ASH CLASS

After listening to the story of 'Paddington' the children in Ash Class made marmalade sandwiches during food lab.

Some children thought the sandwiches were delicious but others were not very keen on them and had toast with butter only.



5F MORPURGO

Over the past 12 weeks, children have taken part in the Active Kids training programme, building their fitness, confidence, and endurance in preparation for a 2K run at the Wandle Recreation Centre in Wandsworth.

The children showed great commitment and enthusiasm throughout the programme, and their hard work resulted in a fantastic achievement on race day.

We were also delighted that the Mayor of Wandsworth attended the event and praised the children for their effort, determination, and positive attitude.

To celebrate their participation, each child received an Active Kids T-shirt and a pair of trainers.

Well done to all of our Year 5 children for their dedication and outstanding achievement throughout the programme!



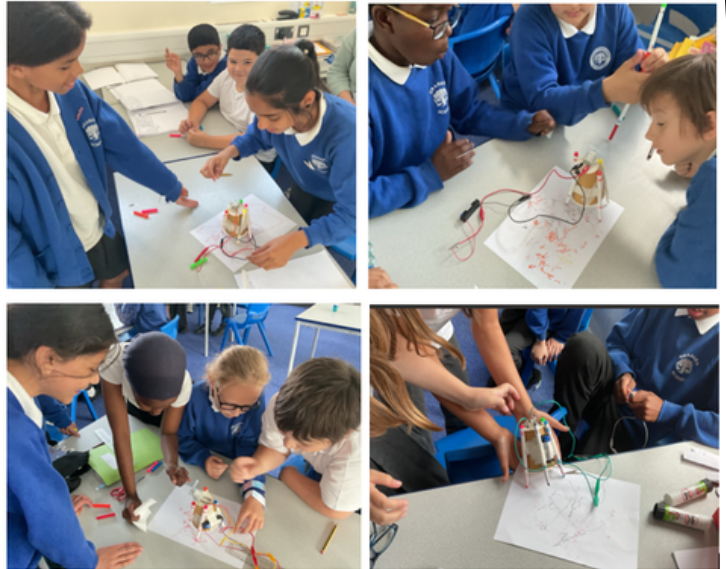
In the DT lesson, the children worked in small groups to create a doodler. We began by looking at complete electrical circuits and discussed how these could be developed into a useful product.

The children explored how motors, batteries, and switches work together within a circuit before designing and building their own doodlers.

They tested their creations, evaluated how effectively they worked, and made improvements where necessary.

Throughout the lesson, the children demonstrated teamwork, problem-solving skills and creativity in their designs.

Well done Year 5!



Scan the **QR codes** to see some of the children's doodlers in action.



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Open Events 2026



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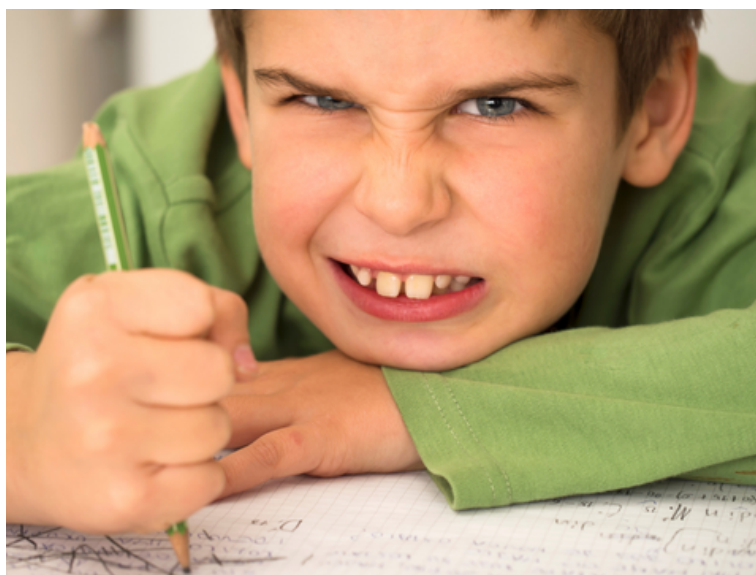
The Rt. Hon. Bridget Phillipson MP, Secretary of State for Education
January 2026 in reference to our 2024/25 outcomes for disadvantaged students

Summer Term 2026 Open Events

Thursday 9th July | 08:45-10:15

At all other times, we welcome visits during the school day,
 please email: sean.french@southfieldsacademy.com
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Helping an ADHD Child with Homework



FREE one hour online session for parents
Thursday 25th June 7pm - 8pm

Join us online to get some advice on how to help your
ADHD child start and complete their homework.

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Ready, Steady...Go!

FREE Information sharing event for families with under 8's in Wandsworth.

Amazing! Useful information all in one place. Really pleased to come and get many informative ideas and support. Should do this every year! (Parent)



**WED 17TH 10AM-
JUNE 2026 2PM**

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WANDSWORTH TOWN
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Do you need information, advice or support with childcare, transitions to nursery/school, child development, emerging or identified special education needs/disabilities or with applying for benefits? Then come along and talk directly to the services involved and find out just how much support there is available for families in Wandsworth.

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10-2PM

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When: When: 2pm -2.45pm

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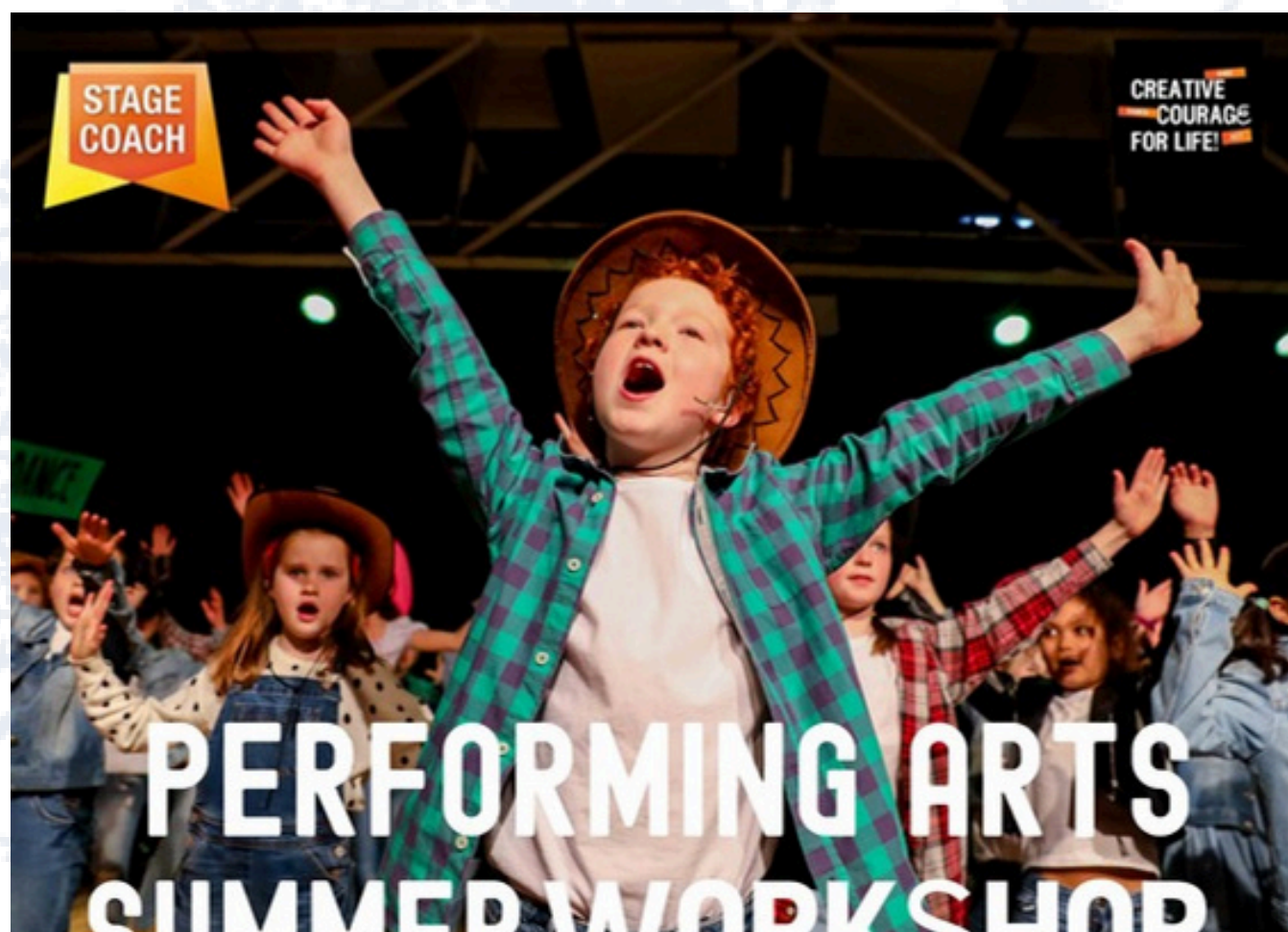
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Aussie/UK Cartoon Summer Program is back this August!

G'Day UK!

Hampstead Gardens Monday August 17th - Friday August 21st
Borehamwood Monday August 24th - Friday August 28th

Special Offers & Pricing

Early Bird Deal: Book 4 "Long Days" by June 12th, get Friday **FREE!**

- Short Day** 9:30am - 3:30pm **£30**
- Long Day** 8:00am - 6:00pm **£32**
- Thursday Night** 6:00pm - 9:00pm **£15** - Nerf Disco & Meal Deal!

A Week of Creativity & Fun

- ➔ **Monday:** Tropical Theme
- ➔ **Tuesday:** Olympic Theme
- ➔ **Wednesday:** Japanese & Korean
- ➔ **Thursday:** Secret Agent
- ➔ **Friday:** PJ & Superhero

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