



High Ash CE School
Weekly Newsletter
Friday 20th June 2025



'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16

Grow Together Shine Forever

To all our families,

HASA Summer Fayre June 21st - 11am-2pm...

IT'S TOMORROW... WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL! Thank you in advance for supporting this event - it is going to be awesome! The children are providing entertainment at the times below:

11.30am Foundation and Key Stage 1
11.45am Year 3 and 4
12pm Year 5 and 6

There are going to be lots of stalls and refreshments and of course the inflatables! Please do note that the children will need to wear socks on the inflatables for health and safety reasons.

Sports Day...

Thank you to Mrs Derham for organising such a wonderful event. It is always lovely to see all the children cheering on their peers and really celebrating their sporting achievements. Also thank you to all the spectators - your enthusiasm always makes this a super event.





KS1 and LKS2 Football Tournaments...

Some of our KS1 children took part in a Football Tournament on Tuesday 17th June and LKS2 children on Thursday 19th June held at Bierton School. The children represented our school brilliantly at these Football Tournaments, demonstrating our **Proud Principles** throughout the event.

It was wonderful to see them competing with such enthusiasm and teamwork against children from other schools. Most importantly, they thoroughly enjoyed themselves and made us very proud.

Well done to all who took part!

Thank you to the parents that kindly transported the children. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Learning highlights this week...

Acorns

It's been a hot hot hot week in Acorns! We were creative in the ways we thought of to keep cool. We filled trays with water and had a foot spa cooling experience! We also played in bubbles with dinosaurs as well as staying in the shade whilst drying our feet and reading books with friends. We talked about sun safety and made sure we used sun cream if we had it, wore hats and drank plenty of water.



We also looked at the words 'First' 'Next' and 'Then'. We used these words to help us to sequence events from our story 'The Darkest Dark'. The children then explained using the sentence opening time words what happened in the story in their own words.



We then had the amazing excitement of our butterflies emerging from their chrysalides in class this week! We started off with two but we now have three and one more is still in its chrysalis. We are also eagerly watching our last caterpillar, who was the smallest of the five, to see when it goes into its chrysalis! We are feeding them with fruit and sugar water and are going to set them free very soon!



Our final 'See Us Shine' open morning is on **Friday 27th June at 9am**. You are invited to come in to Acorn classroom and spend some time with us. The teacher will have activities linked to their learning for you to explore with your children and we will share what we've been learning this term. Please click [here](#) to confirm your attendance.

Year One and Two-

This week in KS1, all of the children have been working really hard on their NFER tests and SATs tests, even in all the heat! We were really proud of our KS1 football team who did a brilliant job of representing High Ash at Bierton School on Tuesday evening.

In between the assessments, the children have been enjoying the water play in the outdoor classroom. The children have had the opportunity of exploring the habitat of a rockpool and the different creatures which live within there.



In Maths, Year 1 have been focused on fractions; finding halves and quarters of different shapes. In Year 2, the children have been looking at position and direction.

In RE, we have been looking at the Sanatani story of creation and the symbol of the lotus flower. We enjoyed ordering the story and then creating our own lotus flowers in class.



In PSHE, we have been exploring the lifecycles of different animals and humans. We had fun creating our own concertina books to show how we have developed from babies to toddlers and then into children.



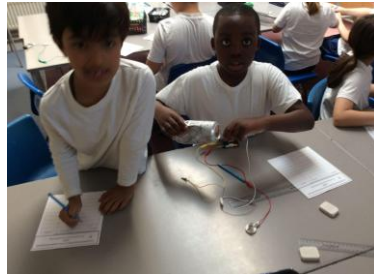
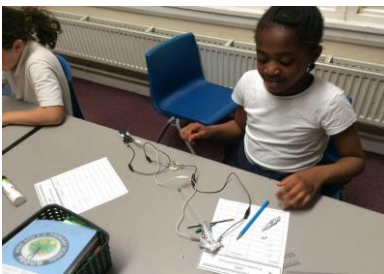
Year Three and Four-

This week in PE we have been continuing learning about Volleyball, particularly sending/passing the ball with speed and accuracy. To practice our accuracy, we used hoops and cones to set out targets with our partners. The aim was to get the ball to bounce in the hoop using different throwing and sending techniques.

Hazel Class are looking forward to sharing their assembly with their parents next week, Friday 27th June at 2.15pm, doors open at 2.05pm. Parents are welcome to join us.



In Science, we learnt about what a conductor and an insulator is. We then investigated different materials to discover if they were conductors or insulators by observing if they allowed the electrical energy to pass through the circuit and light up the bulb.



In Music we have been learning all about body percussion. Last week we discovered how to create different sounds with different body parts. This week we have put our knowledge to the test and created our own musical rhythm using body percussion. For inspiration we listened to the sounds of the rainforest floor. We thought about the sounds we wanted to recreate and how we could do that.

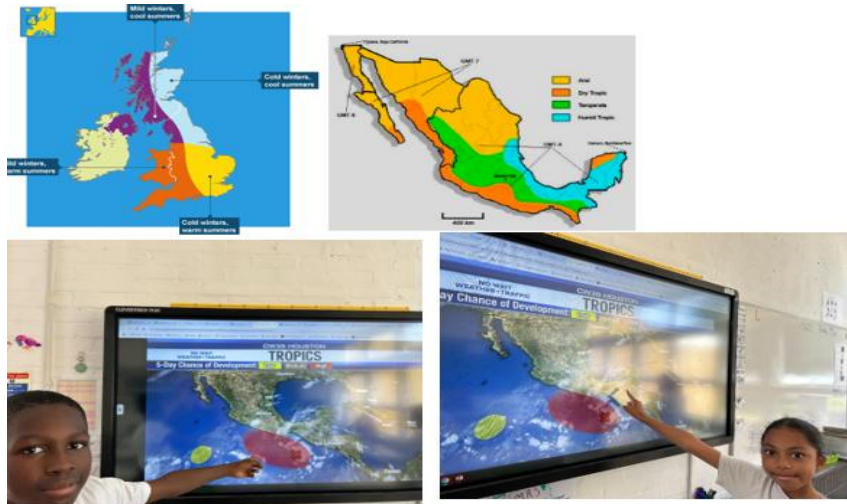


In DT, we started the structure for our pavilions which we will be cladding and finishing next week... We are using sustainable materials that can be found at home or in nature. Each of the children has created a theme and will be creating the pavilion to show it off.



Year Five and Six-

In Geography this week, we learned about weather conditions in Mexico. We discovered that Mexico can be divided into four weather regions each with different characteristics. We looked at temperature and rainfall fluctuations which we then compared to British weather. Who knew that Britain could also be split into four weather zones too? Due to our current heatwave, we compared temperatures in April when there is a bigger contrast! We then took on the role of meteorologists and presented a Mexican weather report.



Year 5/6 really enjoyed our RE lessons this week as we continued our learning from the Ten Commandments and explored the New Testament teaching to “love thy neighbour.” We reflected on the idea of treating others the way we would like to be treated - “Do unto others as you would have others do to you.” The children were inspired by the lives of incredible people like Mother Teresa and Desmond Tutu, thinking about how they lived with kindness, compassion and courage - and how we can follow their example in our own lives.



In Art this week, we used the chromebooks to take photos using the technique of ‘Macro Photography’, where we zoomed in on different fruit and vegetables and then altered the image. On the chromebooks, we were able to change the contrast, saturation and size of the image. We think we took some very cool photos!



Reflections this week...

We continue to study Ephesians 6:10-18 *Put on all of God's armour so that you will be able to stand firm.* This week we looked at 'the Breastplate of Righteousness.' How can we choose to make the right choice? The reflection leaders told the children the story of Zacchaeus. Thinking about making the right choices and even if we have made wrong decisions we can still make a choice to then make the right decision.

Attendance...

This week's attendance is 94.5%, please keep on sending the children into school, remember every day counts! Please remember to email absence@highashschool.co.uk for every day your child is absent from school. Thank you.

Bucks Cricket: FREE All Stars & Dynamos Programmes in MK for 5-11 Year old Boys and Girls...

Bucks Cricket this summer are delivering All Stars and Dynamos programmes across Milton Keynes. Places on these programmes are FREE and can be booked using the bursary code and booking code provided on the poster attached. Registrations can be done via the QR code on the poster. Please note places are on a first come, first serve basis, so please book as soon as possible.

Diary Dates w-c 23 June...

Wed 25 June, 10.00-11.30am - All Year 3/4 at a Multi-Skills Sports Event at Cottesloe school
Fri 27 June, 9.00-9.30am - Final Foundation 'See us Shine' morning
Fri 27 June, 2.15pm - Hazel Class Assembly. Parents welcome. Doors open at 2.05pm
Fri 27 June, 2.55pm - KS2 Star Assembly. Invitation only. Doors open at 2.45pm

Hope to see you tomorrow at our Summer Fayre.

Have a great weekend.

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