



High Ash CE School Weekly Newsletter



Friday 12th June 2026

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



Grow Together Shine Forever

To all our families,

What a crazy weather week we have had! The children have coped really well with the changes we have had to make with PE and outdoor play due to the weather. This week we have welcomed in many secondary schools to start the Year 6 transition - it is a very nerve wracking yet exciting time for our oldest children!

HASA Summer Fayre June 27th - 11am-2pm...& Mufti Day on Friday 19th

Only two weeks to go until this year's summer fayre! We need your help next week to help us prepare.

Friday 19th June will be a non-uniform day, but in return we would like children to bring in donations for the stalls. We would like everyone to bring in a bottle for the bottle tombola stall - it could be wine, soft drink, beer or bubble bath. As long as it is unopened and in-date, any bottles will work as a prize.

We'd also like everyone to bring in a teddy or soft toy for the toy stall. It's a great way to clear out the toy box...although we can't promise you won't be going home with something else to replace it!! Please make sure items are clean and in good condition.

Please bring donations into school on Friday 19th - items can be dropped off at the hall door as you come into school.

The summer fayre was a great day last year and I'm sure it will be even better this year. There will be inflatables, games, bbq, bar, refreshments & loads of fun. HASA works really hard to make this event successful and their fundraising efforts make a real difference to our school. Please come along and support us.

Special Men's Assembly...

Children in Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 are looking forward to presenting a special assembly for the male relatives in their families.

Due to limited space in the hall, we kindly ask that only one male relative per child attends the assembly. To help us monitor attendance and ensure we have sufficient seating available, please complete the Google Form using the link below: <https://forms.gle/ntxj4MvtsgV6LKj8> We understand that some children may not have a male relative who is able to attend. In these circumstances, a female relative is very welcome to attend instead.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to welcoming our special guests to this event.



MUFTI DAY!

FRIDAY 19th JUNE

IN AID OF THE HASA SUMMER FAYRE

FOR THE
BOTTLE
TOMBOLA STALL



PLEASE BRING A BOTTLE
(e.g., sauce, squash,
wine, beer, toiletries)

FOR THE
TOY
STALL



PLEASE BRING A
SOFT TOY OR
TEDDY BEAR

SUMMER FAYRE: SATURDAY 27th JUNE

DRESS DOWN TO GIVE BACK!
Thank you for your support.

Learning highlights this week...

Acorns

This week the children have been exploring the classic Shirley Hughes story 'Lucy and Tom go to the seaside.' We have looked closely at how Lucy and Tom travelled to the seaside, they went on a train journey! We then talked about how we have travelled to the seaside, many of us have gone by car or even gone on a jet to fly to visit beaches in different parts of the world. In the small world, we then made mini maps of Lucy and Tom's journey using our train track and materials and then used cars and our jet toy to show our own journeys on holiday.

In Maths, we have been applying our knowledge of numbers to 10 and bonds to 10 by playing track games in pairs. We rolled the dice, subitised the number and jumped the correct number of steps on the track. We then looked ahead to see what roll we would need next to reach 10 and whether or not we could actually roll that number using the dice.



We also completed our postcard writing this week! We return to our postcards now that they were all dry and complete with our beach, ourselves and even family members and friends included on our beach collage picture. We then wrote sentences about going to the beach and some of us even included who we went with using our sounds knowledge to segment and spell words.



We are looking forward to learning more about how holidays have changed and comparing holidays from the past and now in the present. We will also look more at maps and how maps help us to locate where we are and where we are going.

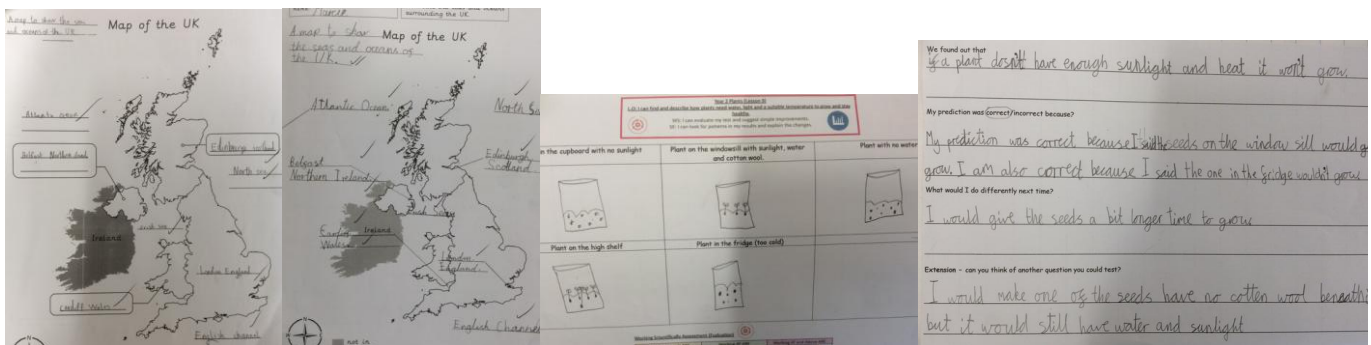
Acorn Reminders

- Next week we will explore and compare holidays from the past with our own memories of holidays. Please take the time to talk to your child about what holidays were like when you were a child and look at photos of holidays you have had as a family. You could compare what holidays were like for you as a child with how they have been for your child.
- Please send in a photo from a family holiday you have been on with your child. Ideally a beach holiday, however, other holidays would be interesting to talk about. These can be digitally emailed to the office. If you send in a printed photo, we will photocopy and return it.
- We have sent home the letters informing you of which house your child is in and what colour T shirt they will need for sports day. This is the T shirt they will need to come into school wearing with their PE kit on Sports day. You do not need to send the T shirts into school.
- Thank you for the bingo card donations we have had so far! We have been lucky enough to have two scooters kindly donated. Please keep your donations coming in.

Year One and Two



This week in Computing, Apple Class explored patterns in music, focusing on rhythm. We listened and appraised music first to listen for the rhythms and instruments. Using Chrome Music Lab, the children had great fun creating their own rhythmic patterns and experimenting with different beats. They loved sharing their creations with each other. To finish the lesson, we worked together to create a whole-class rhythm and performed it as a team. It was fantastic to see the children developing their creativity, collaboration and understanding of patterns through music!



In Geography, we have built on our knowledge of the features of the UK by using an Atlas to identify the seas and Oceans that surround The British Isles. The children recalled the Capital Cities of the UK and then added the seas to their maps. We extended the learning by using compass points and directions to describe the location of each body of water. In Science we continue to investigate the conditions needed for plant growth and the children focused on the scientific enquiry skills of observation, evaluation and looking for patterns as they gathered the results from their cress growing experiments. The children were excited to see that many of the predictions they had made last week were correct.

Year 1/2 Reminders

- [KS1 trip to The Shuttleworth Collection on Monday 15th June.](#)

Please send all children into school in full school uniform - goodness knows what the weather will be like but please send a coat if it looks like rain or a sun hat (and applied sunscreen) if it is hot! Children will require a packed lunch (no nuts please) and a bottle of water in a small backpack. They will not need any money.

- [Year 2 Multi Sports Skills Festival at The Cottesloe School - Tuesday 16th June](#)

Chestnut and Cherry class to come to school in [PE kit](#) with a coat (if wet) and a water bottle. We will be back in school in time for lunch!

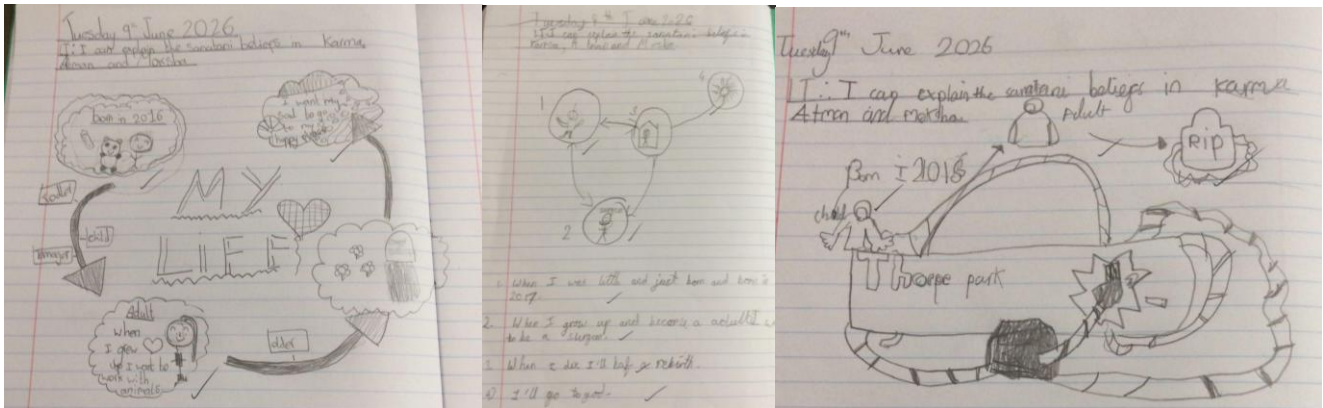
- [Special Men's Assembly - Friday 19th June at 2.55pm, doors open at 2.45pm](#)

Year Three and Four

This week during our Computing lesson we started to plan a podcast. This half term we are learning about what a podcast is, what makes a good podcast and how to create one that people will listen to and enjoy. In groups we started to think about the topic of our podcast and what it might be called - thinking of a catchy name to decide this! So far we have come up with some great topics, including Greek Mythology and Women's Football!



During our RE lessons we have been learning about the religion Sanatana Dharma. Specifically about how they can lead a good life. This week we were understanding their beliefs around Karma, Atman and Moksha. The cycle of life is different for everyone, so we drew/wrote our own, deciding where we wanted to go after we had passed on. We had some lovely ideas around the afterlife/heaven.



In Geography, we are learning about where our food comes from! This week we were focussing on fair trade and what that means for us and the farmers. To help explain a little more, we made posters to show how important it is to try and buy fair trade food when we can. To continue their learning about Fairtrade, we were lucky enough to welcome Sally from Fairtrade, who delivered a really interesting presentation about the benefits of buying Fairtrade products for farmers and workers around the world. The children learned how Fairtrade helps ensure that producers receive a fair price for their goods and supports better working conditions. They were fully engaged throughout the session, presenting some of their own Fairtrade posters and asking lots of thoughtful and insightful questions. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and growing understanding of responsible trade.





Year 3/4 Reminders

- Keep remembering to leave all toys, fidgets, jewellery, football cards and belongings from home at home. Thank you!
- Just fruit for break time snacks please.

Year Five and Six

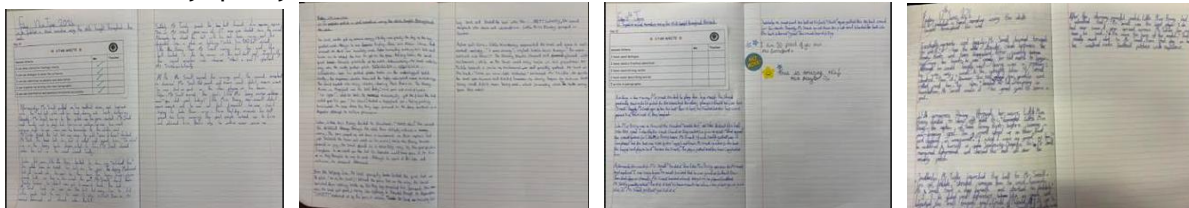
Rain may have stopped play this week during our Rounders and Badminton units, but it didn't stop us being active! Adaptations were made to our lessons, allowing pupils to continue developing their physical skills while having lots of fun.

Hooray for Friday when we could finally get back outside! Although the field was still out of action, we had a great time practising our batting, bowling and fielding skills. It was fantastic to see everyone showing such enthusiasm and resilience despite the weather.



In Year 5/6, we have been getting ready for the Football World Cup with our own football-themed writing unit. Using Mr Men and the Big Match, we created a "small versus tall" story in which Mr Small overcame all the odds to triumph and score the winning goal.

We have loved our writing this week and are looking forward to next week, when we will be using figurative language to create some truly spooky tales!



We have just started our physics unit on light in our Science lessons. This week, having already learned that light travels in straight lines and can be reflected using mirrors, we considered which professions use mirrors (dentists, drivers, astronomers, mechanics, hair stylists), then we made periscopes! We have great fun looking round corners and peeking out of the window from below the sill 😊



Year 5/6 Reminders

- Keep remembering to leave all toys, fidgets, jewellery and belongings from home at home. Thank you!
- Just fruit for break time snacks please.
- Year 5 Bikeability Training, Mon 15-Thu 18 June for those that have previously registered to participate.
- Remember to keep free **Tuesday 14th** at 2pm and 6pm and **Wednesday 15th July 6.00-7:30pm** for the school production of 'I'm an eleven-year-old...Get Me Out Of Here!'
- **Summer Fayre** - We would be grateful for any decorated and filled jars for our stall. **Please can they be in school by Monday 22nd June and sent to Maple Class. Thank you**

Star Writers...



Congratulations to this week's wonderful Star Writers. Ola and Lara wrote a beautiful retell of 'What the Ladybird Heard at the Seaside', Jake and Maddison wrote a postcard and Roman's Kenning poem showed a real understanding of the genre. We look forward to seeing Year 5/6 and Year 3/4 Star Writes next week as they complete a two week unit.

Reflections...

This week we looked at The Lord's prayer - in particular the line *Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us*. We talked about holding a grudge— staying angry at someone and refusing to forgive them—is exactly like carrying a heavy backpack everywhere you go. It doesn't hurt the other person; it just tires you out! When we

forgive, we drop the backpack. Forgiveness makes our hearts light again. We wrote things on pieces of paper that we are angry about or haven't let go of something.

Here are Holly's scrumpled paper chains, made up of ripped up written sorry notes to our family, friends and the environment. We apologised for not always letting others play, not always saying please and thank you, forgetting to tidy up after ourselves and many other thoughtful things.



Attendance...

This week's attendance is 95.8%. Please remember to always email absence@highashschool.co.uk for every day your child is absent from school or is going to be late providing the reason.

Wishlist Class Bingo

Don't forget our Wishlist Class Bingo!

You can find your child's class Wishlist Bingo card on the school's website by following this link [Wishlist Class Bingo](#). Small items can be dropped off with the class teacher or at reception. For larger items, please call the office, and we'll arrange a suitable time for you to drop off at school. We've had some great donations so far...let's see which class will call 'Full House' first!



Sports Day...

HIGH ASH C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL
PROUD

HIGH ASH SCHOOL SPORTS DAY

FRIDAY 26TH JUNE

SCHEDULE:

- YEAR 5 & 6: 9:15am – 10:15am
- FOUNDATION: 10:25am – 11:15am
- YEAR 3 & 4: 11:20am – 12:30pm
- KEY STAGE 1 (YEARS 1 & 2): 1:30pm – 2:30pm

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The poster features a blue and green background with silhouettes of children running and playing sports. The school logo is at the top center, and the schedule is listed in white boxes on a blue background.

THIS WEEK'S MENU

MONDAY

Spaghetti Bolognese served with a garlic slice
Macaroni cheese served with a garlic slice
Jacket potato with baked beans, cheese or tuna mayo

TUESDAY

Chicken tenders served in a wrap with salad
Quorn chicken tenders in a wrap with salad
Jacket potato with baked beans, cheese or tuna mayo

WEDNESDAY

Mid-Week BBQ style summer special
Sausage in a bun or Quorn sausage in a bap served with roast new potatoes & salad bar
Jacket potato with baked beans, cheese or tuna mayo

THURSDAY

Chicken Shawarma served with a flat bread & salad bar
Halloumi Shawarma served with a flat bread & salad bar
Jacket potato with baked beans, cheese or tuna mayo

FRIDAY

Battered fish fillet with fries & peas
Vegetable burger in a bap, with fries & peas
Jacket potato with baked beans, cheese or tuna mayo

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Diary dates for next week commencing w-c 15th June...

Monday 15th - Thu 18 June - Year 5 Bikeability Training for those signed up to participate

Monday 15th June - Year 1/2 trip to Shuttleworth Collection

Tuesday 15th June - Year 2 Multi-Skills Festival

Wednesday 17th June - SEN Tea and Cake social event at 2.45pm

Friday 19th June - Mufti Day (Non-Uniform) in aid of HASA Summer Fayre donations

Friday 19th June - Special Men's Assembly at 2.55pm, doors open at 2.45pm

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