

Year 3 READING

During our Year 3 reading lessons, Miss Zahorska worked with children who had completed the reading fluency programme and were focusing on developing their reading comprehension skills.

Using the book *Amazing Africa*, we explored a different African country in each session, helping children build both their comprehension strategies and their understanding of the continent's rich diversity.

The children have learnt strategies for tackling comprehension questions while also broadening their geographical and cultural knowledge. Each lesson included watching videos about the featured country, locating it on a map of Africa, and taking part in a variety of activities such as illustrating key ideas, matching vocabulary, summarising information, and creating quizzes.

Pictured here are Tiara and Hannah-Lily, both from Owl class, who were delighted to represent their heritage by bringing special clothing items from home. Tiara proudly shared traditional clothing from Nigeria, while Hannah-Lily showcased clothing and flags from Zimbabwe. Miss Zahorska is very proud of their enthusiasm, confidence, and willingness to celebrate and share their cultural backgrounds with their peers, enriching everyone's learning experience.



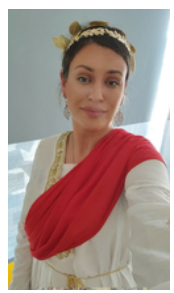
Year 3 HISTORY

This week, the children in Year 3 enjoyed an exciting and immersive history lesson outdoors around the fire pit as they began their learning about the Romans.

The session started with the children exploring a selection of Roman artefacts. They carefully examined each object, discussing what it might have been used for and sharing their ideas with one another. This hands-on experience encouraged curiosity and helped the children develop their historical enquiry skills as they thought like archaeologists, using clues to make informed predictions about life in Roman times.

Adding to the excitement, the teachers dressed up as Roman citizens and brought the past to life through role-play, storytelling and video clips. The children listened carefully to stories about Roman life, learning about the daily experiences, jobs, homes and traditions of Roman people. The role-play helped the children engage with the topic in a memorable and meaningful way, sparking thoughtful questions and discussions.

It was a wonderful outdoor learning experience that combined historical investigation, discussion, drama and storytelling, helping the children to develop a deeper understanding of the Roman period while enjoying learning in a different environment.



CUP FINAL WINNERS



Team: Nancy, Zoe, Andriani, Aoife, Sienna, Olivia, Isobel, Georgie, Tilly & Dina

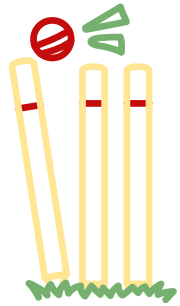
Girls' Football Team Triumphs in Final and Celebrates Unbeaten Season!

Our school's girls' football team faced Ashford C of E in a thrilling final match. Despite the challenging pitch conditions, the team displayed exceptional skill and determination, securing a 3-0 victory.

The match kicked off with Georgie P scoring the first goal, thanks to a superb cross from Nancy P. In the second half, Olivia D and Aoife W added two more goals with remarkable finishes, sealing the win.

This triumph marks the culmination of an extraordinary season, as the girls remained unbeaten throughout the year.

Their impressive achievements include winning the league, the borough tournament, the Brentford tournament, the London tournament, and the cup. Congratulations to this talented group for their outstanding performance and sportsmanship!



This Wednesday, our Year 6 cricket team participated in an exciting tournament, showcasing their skills and determination.

The boys played three matches, demonstrating remarkable sportsmanship and effort throughout this highly competitive event. In their first match against Springfield, they narrowly lost in a closely contested game.

However, they bounced back with resilience, defeating St Cuthbert's by a thrilling margin of just 3 runs, thanks to some outstanding fielding. This victory propelled them into the semi-final, where they faced a formidable Laleham team.

Despite a valiant effort, they were outplayed by 22 runs against the team that ultimately won the tournament. We are incredibly proud of our boys for their hard work and spirit, and they returned with valuable experience and pride.



It's important to ensure your child takes their hay fever medication at home before heading to primary school.

This proactive measure helps them concentrate on their lessons without the distraction of allergy symptoms like sneezing, a runny nose, or itchy eyes.

WEEK 5



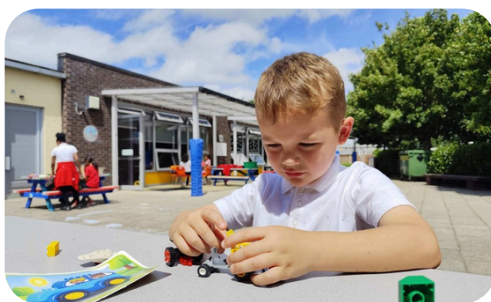
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**OUTDOOR
PLAY AND
LEARNING**



TEAM
EFFORT

**NEW RANGES AND ZONES HAVE BEEN OPENED
GYM MATS, ART & CRAFT, DRESSING UP, LEGO
SMALL WORLD PLAY, BOARD & LARGE GAMES**

**GOOD
TIMES**





We are excited to start our Ashford Park Primary Park run fun this Sunday 21st June at Laleham junior parkrun. It's free to take part and for 4-14 year olds.

Children can run or walk with an adult or alone. All you need to join is a parkrun barcode and comfy trainers. Please car share if possible.

Children to wear school PE kit and please remember to bring water.

First timers briefing begins approx 8:40am followed by a warm up aiming for a 9am start. Mrs Hudson will be with the parkrun team to welcome everyone.

Parking guidance can be found in the [parkrun letter](#), for any further information and details on registering for a barcode please see the Junior parkrun website:

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/laleham-juniors/>

Last week we had our record attendance of 146 children. Please note adults are welcome to join the children though cannot be timed at the junior events or go through the finish funnel to assist the timekeepers. Parents are also very welcome to volunteer, please see Mrs Hudson on Sunday



for any assistance.



Believe and Achieve



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for being awarded:
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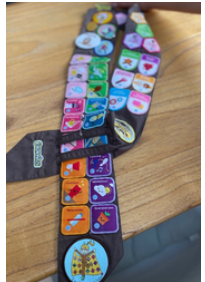
Isla C

for being awarded:
Team's Most
Valuable Player
for Spelthorne
Eagles Basketball
Team



Ella W

for taking part in
the Surrey
Community
Games 2026



Amelie has completed all 36 of her interest badges at Brownies. Amelie's Brownies pack said it was such an achievement and the first girl in her pack to complete all the interest badges including the 18 new ones that came out last summer. She gained her gold award last year, and thoroughly enjoys Brownies. She can't wait to move onto Guides in September.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY SUCCESS - THE CHILDREN ARE CONSTANTLY SHOWCASING OUR ASHFORD PARK VALUES





We are thrilled to share that Nourish has been awarded the new catering contract for Ashford Park, starting in September 2026.

Nourish is renowned for their ability to provide meals that are not only delicious and nutritious, but also thoughtfully portioned to minimise food waste while accommodating a range of appetites.

You can explore a sample menu at the provided [link](#), which showcases the variety and quality of their offerings. Our personalised APPS menu will be shared shortly.

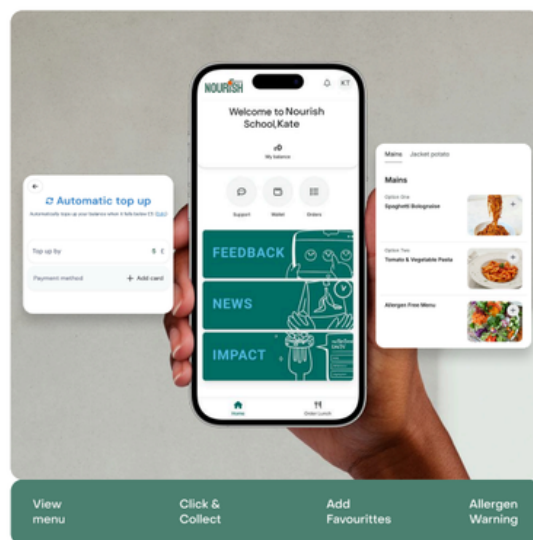
This partnership promises exciting changes, including innovative new menus, an enhanced standard of food for everyone, and the introduction of a convenient online ordering system.

We look forward to a fruitful collaboration with Nourish and are excited for the positive impact this will have on our community's dining experience.

Coming Soon: the new **Nourish Meal Ordering App.**

View the menu, place orders, activate automatic updates, keep updated.

Email invitations coming soon.



SPORTS DAY UPDATE

As we gear up for Sports Day next week, it is expected to be very warm. In preparation, please ensure your child comes to school with a water bottle, a hat and that they are wearing sun cream. We will provide shaded areas for the children on the field. Parents are also encouraged to bring additional shade for themselves, such as umbrellas or gazebos.

If you would like your child to have more sun cream applied for the afternoon, please send it into school with them in their bag and they can reapply it in school. If your child is unable to apply their own sun cream, please bring it with you at 1.10pm on the day of their Sports Day and there will be an opportunity for this to be done before Sports Day begins.

We will continue to assess the weather over the weekend and into next week, and will keep you informed if any events need to be cancelled.

Thank you for your support and understanding. We are hoping for a fantastic week of sport across the whole school!

We extend a massive thank you to the PTA for their organisation, leadership, and management of a fantastic summer fair on Saturday.

The school community is genuinely grateful for every bit of time and effort contributed by each of you.

It was a well attended event with wonderful performances on show too.

THANK
YOU



We ♥ our
Volunteers

A total of £4545 raised

WE
DID
IT!

June 2026

Sun cream applied, sun shelters, gazebos and seats at the ready, cars can be parked on the back field next week too.

Monday 22nd	Sports Day - <u>Entrance to all Sports Days will be via the back gate / Queens Walk. Gate opens at 1.10pm and races begin at 1.30pm.</u>
Tuesday 23rd	Reception Classes
Wednesday 24th	Years 1 & 2
Thursday 25th	Years 3 & 4
	Years 5 & 6
Monday 29th	Rabbit Class Celebration Performance at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm
Tuesday 30th	Information Evening for Parents new to Reception Sept 2026 at 6.00pm

July 2026

Wednesday 1st - Friday 3rd	Stay and Play for new Reception Classes from 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Thursday 2nd	District Sports at Elmbridge Xcel Sports Hub Swift Class assembly at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm
Friday 3rd	MUFTI - Non uniform day. Sweet donations appreciated for Year 6 Fete
Wednesday 8th	Dormouse Class Celebration Performance at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm
Thursday 9th	Year 6 Leavers Disco from 6.00pm - 8.00pm
Friday 10th	Move up morning, children to meet their new teachers
Wednesday 15th	Year 6 Leavers Performance at 9.30am (gates open at 9.15am) and 1.45pm (gates open at 1.30pm). Tickets available to purchase online
Thursday 16th	Otter Class Celebration Performance at 2.40pm, front gate to open at 2.30pm Celebration Afternoon 4.30pm - 6.00pm. Parents invited into classrooms to see children's work and to meet their new teacher
Friday 17th	Year 6 Fete in school from 1.00pm - 3.00pm., children only
Monday 20th	Year 2 Trip to West Wittering
Tuesday 21st	MUFTI - Non uniform day for last day of term. Children break up at 2.00pm
Wednesday 22nd	INSET Day

Summer Holidays - Thursday 23rd July - Monday 31st August

September 2026

Tuesday 1st	INSET Day
Wednesday 2nd	Return to School for Years 1 - 6