



PLUMCROFT



Times



On Thursday 26th May, Plumcroft celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in style! Everyone looked fantastic wearing red, white and blue and enjoyed a delicious picnic in the playground, whilst listening to music. The children spent the day taking part in special activities linking to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and learning about Jubilee celebrations in assembly. Everyone had an amazing day and it will certainly be a day to remember.

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE



In Pursuit of Excellence

Year 1

In Topic this term, Year 1 have been learning about 'Growing'. They have enjoyed planting their own bean shoots and are now eagerly watching them grow!

In art, the children have looked at work from various artists and produced their own still life sketches of flowers inspired by Dutch artist Rachel Ruysch.



Nursery at Vincent Road

Nursery at Vincent Road asked parents to come and share their jobs with the children. We have had some amazing jobs shared, from engineers to the crossing patrol lady, teachers and dancers. Here you can see Eliza's daddy showing us how he cuts hair. He did a great job and all the children felt Eve's new hair cut!



The Wonderdome

5, 4, 3, 2, 1... Blast off!

Reception travelled 46.5 billion light-years to the end of the universe courtesy of the travelling Wonderdome planetarium. The inflatable dome gave the children the chance to view the night sky and travel by rocket to the end of the universe. The dome staff narrated the journey as we travelled through space passing the Sun, Earth, Moon and all the planets in our solar system. The children were also shown videos of lunar launches and the Mars Space Rover (which we learnt would fit inside our classroom). On returning to the classroom, the children used the inspirational visit to complete writing, art and science objectives.



Year 2's visit from the recycling centre

In celebration of World Earth Day, Year 2 had a special visit from Royal Greenwich Recycling workers. They spoke to the children about the importance of the three R's (reducing, re-using and recycling) and they reminded them how to correctly sort our rubbish into the correct bins.

The children had a wonderful time playing games and learning lots about how to tidy up our planet! To congratulate the children on becoming 'junior environment champions', they all received a special certificate, activity pack, bag and water bottle (re-usable of course!)



Thorpe Park

On Thursday 19th May, Year 6 celebrated the end of SATs week, with a trip to Thorpe Park. The children and staff had a day full of excitement, screams and laughter. Year 6 thoroughly deserved to 'let their hair down'.



Minibeast hunt for Year 2

Year 2 have been studying minibeasts. They have loved learning about these amazing creatures and took part in a minibeast hunt in the playground. They really enjoyed searching for their favourite minibeasts and role playing as a Bug Detective! The children completed a Bug Detective Report back in the classroom and couldn't believe how many minibeasts they found, especially the number of ants in the flower beds!

Year 4 Young Voices Singing Group

On Wednesday 4th May, Plumcroft choir attended the O2 Arena for the 'Young Voices' performance, alongside other primary schools. They had been rehearsing extremely hard, learning a great variety of

different songs. It all came together on the night as each child sang their heart out and had a fantastic evening. Thank you to all the parents who came to support us and a huge well done to all of the children.





Nursery at Plum Lane

This term we have been learning about animals and their baby names. The Nursery children were very excited to go on their very first school trip. They had a great time with their friends and grown ups at Woodlands Farm. The children were amazed to see the baby lambs in the barn and all of the different animals. The children have loved looking at photographs of their day and it's been wonderful hearing them talk about their experiences.



Year 4 visit the Natural History Museum

Year 4 went to the Natural History Museum as part of their Science and Topic work. They were able to explore under water mammals: whales and dolphins, as well as creepy crawlies and dinosaurs. In addition to this, Year 4 particularly enjoyed learning about and exploring volcanos and earthquakes. They were able to experience what it was like during the 1995 earthquake in Kobe, Japan, on the earthquake simulator.



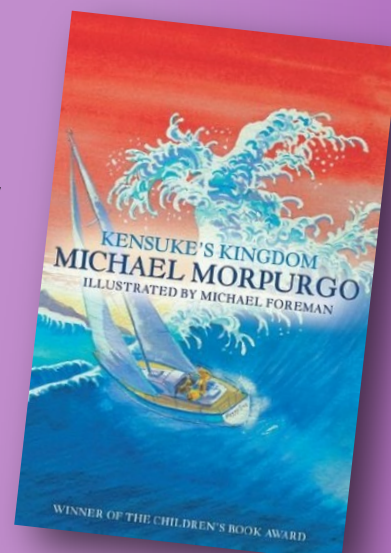
Plants!

Year 3 have been busy learning all about plants this term. They have been lucky enough to take part in many different experiments, such as dissecting a daffodil, growing cress and dying a flower and celery blue! The children have really enjoyed this term's Science topic and can tell you lots about plants.



Year 5

Year 5 have started reading Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. We have written a ship's log, imagining we are aboard the Peggy Sue, and made an advert to recruit a new sailor for the voyage. In Science, we have started looking at materials and their properties. We are looking forward to carrying out some scientific investigations to learn more about their properties. In Topic, we have started looking at rivers. We will be learning about the journey of a river and looking at some famous rivers around the world. We have also started orienteering in PE, in which we will be using bird's eye view maps of the school to locate different clues in teams.



Book Recommendations

Year Group	Book		
Nursery			
Reception			
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3			
Year 4			
Year 5			
Year 6			

House Points

Well done to all the children this term for working incredibly hard and receiving hundreds of house points. A huge well done to the winning house **Willow**, who enjoyed 30 minutes of extra playtime outside.

Congratulations and good luck

A huge congratulations to all the children in Year 6 and Year 2 for completing their SATs this term. They have worked incredibly hard and should be proud of themselves. Also, good luck to the Year 1 children, who are taking their phonic screening tests and the Year 4 children who are taking their times table test.

Important Dates

Term Dates for 2021/2022 Term / Holiday

Summer Term 2: Monday 6th June 2022 - Friday 22nd July 2022

(please note children go home at 1.30pm on the last day)

Important Dates

Friday 10th June - **Fun Run**

Monday 13th June - **Class photo day**

Friday 15th July - **Get Ready to Tumble**

SPORTS DAY INFORMATION

PLUM LANE - MIDDLE PLAYGROUND

Year Group	Date	Time
Reception	Friday 1 st July	9.30am – 11am
Year 1 & 2	Wednesday 6 th July	9.30am – 11am
Year 3 & 4	Thursday 7 th July	9.30am – 11am
Year 5	Tuesday 5 th July	9.30am – 11am
Year 6	Tuesday 5 th July	1.45pm – 3pm

VINCENT ROAD

Year Group	Date	Time
Reception	Friday 1 st July	1.45pm – 3pm
Year 1 & 2	Wednesday 6 th July	1.45pm – 3pm
Year 3	Thursday 7 th July	1.45pm – 3pm

**We hope you have a lovely May half term.
We look forward to seeing you on Monday 6th June.**