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Summer Newsletter 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

After another successful year, it is wonderful to look back on the many exciting experiences our school family has shared. Our children have enriched their understanding of the wider world through educational visits, sporting opportunities, creative projects and inspiring visitors to school. We were also delighted to complete the development of our Reception outdoor area, creating a space where our youngest learners can take risks safely, build confidence, develop independence and continue their learning through purposeful outdoor play.

Sport has been a particular highlight this year. We welcomed elite athlete Alex Lenkowski, captain of the Great Britain National American Football Team, who inspired children through a fitness circuit. Year 4 enjoyed a visit to Manchester City Football Club to learn about sports journalism, while Sports Morning showcased resilience, determination and fantastic team spirit across the school.

Creativity and performance have flourished. Years 3 and 5 developed their musical skills through learning the ukulele, while Year 2 showed perseverance and teamwork as they designed and sewed their own puppets. Our Year 6 production was a memorable celebration of talent, confidence and emotion that we will remember fondly.

Reading and phonics have continued to be a great success, particularly in Key Stage 1, helping children become increasingly fluent and confident readers. Thank you for your continued support, especially through your engagement with Learning with Parents.

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fair. Thanks to your generosity and enthusiasm, the money raised will contribute towards a whole school experience next year, giving every child the opportunity to enjoy a memorable day away from the classroom. More to come on this in the new year!

We wish all our families a wonderful summer break filled with relaxation, fun, sunshine and plenty of reading. We also encourage you to explore Manchester's fantastic free attractions, including Manchester Museum, Manchester Art Gallery and local parks, creating special family memories along the way.

We wish you all a safe, happy and enjoyable summer.

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Reception—Garden Party

We were delighted to welcome Reception parents into school to celebrate the refurbishment of our Reception playground. Families enjoyed spending time together exploring the new outdoor space and seeing the exciting play opportunities available for our learners.





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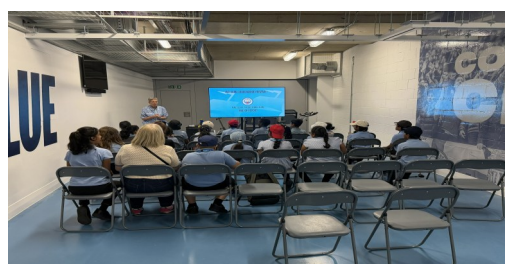
Year 1—Smithills Trip

Our children had a wonderful trip to Smithills Open Farm, where they learned all about farming and watched the fascinating process of milking cows.



Year 4—Man City Trip

We had a fantastic day on the Manchester City Football Tour, where they explored the stadium, learned about the club's history, and experienced life behind the scenes.





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Year 5—Eureka Wallasey Trip

The children had an exciting and enriching visit to Eureka Wallasey, where they explored interactive exhibits and brought their learning to life through hands-on experience.



Origami Lesson with Parents

As part of their end of year celebrations, our Year 5 children enjoyed an origami lesson alongside their parents, sharing creativity, learning new skills and making special memories together.



Year 6—Afternoon Tea after SATs



Following the completion of their SATs exams, our Year 6 children and their parents enjoyed a wonderful afternoon tea kindly provided by Taylor Shaw, helping to mark this important milestone and celebrate all their hard work.

Taylor Shaw
Seeing food differently



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Sports Mornings

Our Sports Mornings took place over two days, and it was wonderful to welcome parents into school to cheer on the children as they participated in a range of sporting activities and events.

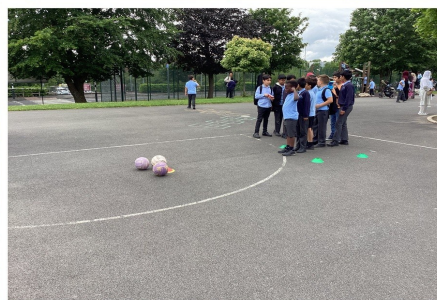
ActivKids—Athlete Visit

Pupils thoroughly enjoyed a visit from professional athlete **Alex Lenkowski**, who led fitness activities and spoke about how hard work, determination and resilience can help us achieve our ambitions.



Summer Fair

On Wednesday 1st July 2026, we held our annual Summer Fair and are delighted to share that we raised an amazing £1,179.84. Thank you to everyone who donated, volunteered, and took part in the event, helping to make it such a wonderful success.





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Year 3—Legoland Trip

The children had an exciting visit to LEGOLAND Discovery Centre Manchester, where they took part in an engaging Forces workshop, exploring concepts such as pushes, pulls and movement through hands-on LEGO activities. They also had the opportunity to explore the attractions and enjoy plenty of creative play with the LEGO, making it a fun and memorable learning experience.



Read to the Beat, The Summer Reading Challenge 1 July to 12 September

The 2026 Summer Reading Challenge, Read to the Beat launched on the 1 July and aims to encourage a love of reading during the holidays. Children will be able to track their own reading and earn rewards for their efforts by receiving a Medal and Certificate.



How does it work?

- Visit your local library and ask to join the Summer Reading Challenge
- There's a Challenge for age 4 plus and a special Mini Challenge for 0-3 year olds.
- You will be given your special collector card and goodies
- Borrow and read library books, they can be stories or fact books, poetry or graphic novels—any library book counts!
- Set your own reading goal to claim your medal and certificate in the library.
- If you read 4 or more library books, you'll be entered into the prize draw.

Find out more at manchester.gov.uk/summer-reading-challenge



Miss Yarwood, Miss Sutherland and Miss Rapson will be leaving us at the end of this term to pursue exciting new opportunities. We would like to thank them for all their hard work and dedication as valued members of our school family. We also offer our congratulations on successfully completing their teacher training and wish them every success and happiness in their future careers.



End of Term

School closes at **12.30pm** on **Friday 17h July** for the summer holidays.

Children will return to school on **Thursday, 3rd September.**





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Wishing you well



To All Year 6 Children

Good luck in your future learning journeys

Come back and visit us!

From everyone at

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