

10th July 2026



Histon & Impington
Brook Primary School

HIBPS Newsletter



Headteacher update

Dear Families,

Our Year 6 children have been working incredibly hard to prepare for their end-of-year production, School of Rock. For the last few weeks, I have found myself humming along and singing the songs that drift from the hall into my office. On Tuesday evening, I look forward to seeing it all come together. Many thanks to the parents and family members who attended Thursday morning's performance in some very hot conditions. Let's hope next week's show will be a little cooler!

This week, the children enjoyed taking part in our Move Up Morning, spending time in their new classrooms and getting to know next academic year's teachers. It was

a valuable opportunity to help everyone feel excited and prepared for the next stage of their learning journey.

End-of-year reports will hopefully be available shortly. We are using a new system to share these with families, so please keep an eye on MCAS, where reports will be published. We hope you enjoy celebrating your child's achievements and progress from this academic year.

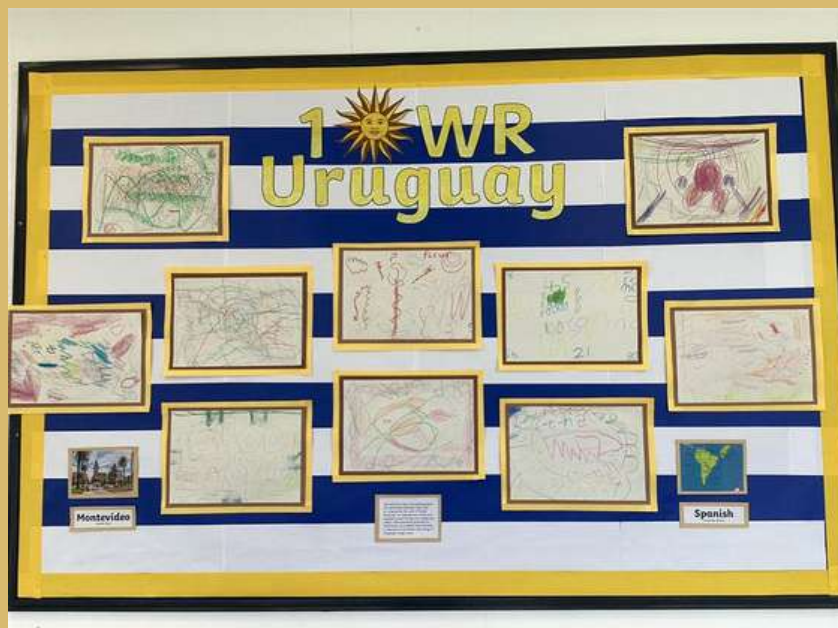
Thank you,

Richard Bakker
Headteacher

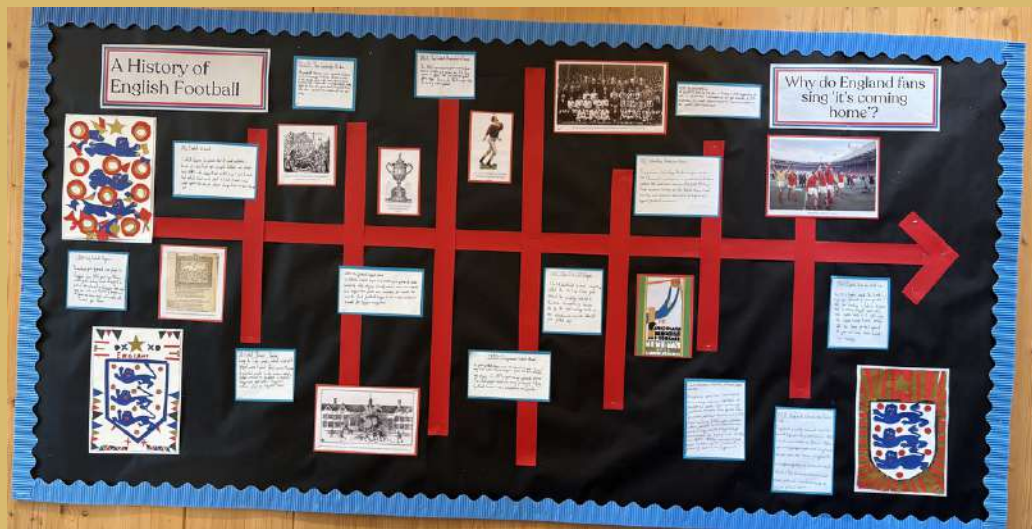


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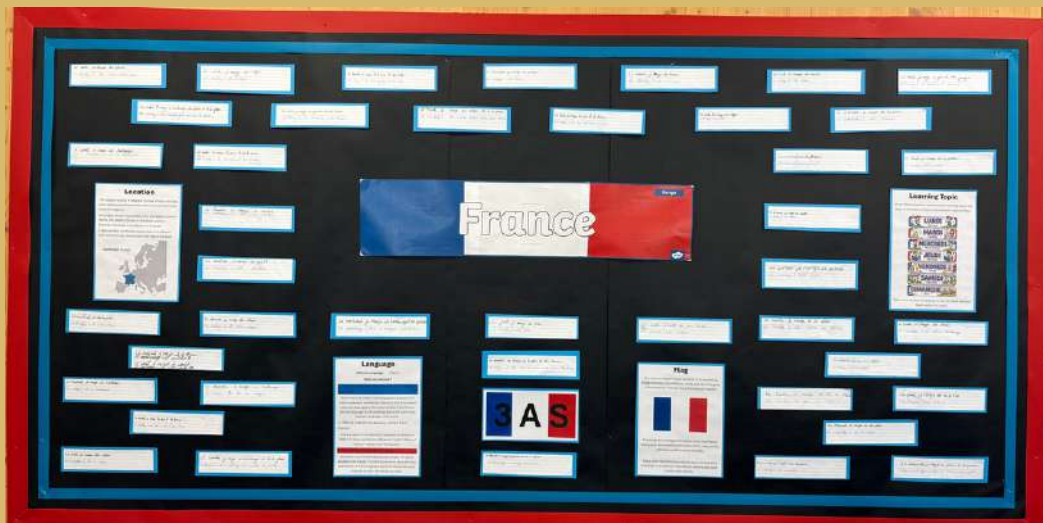
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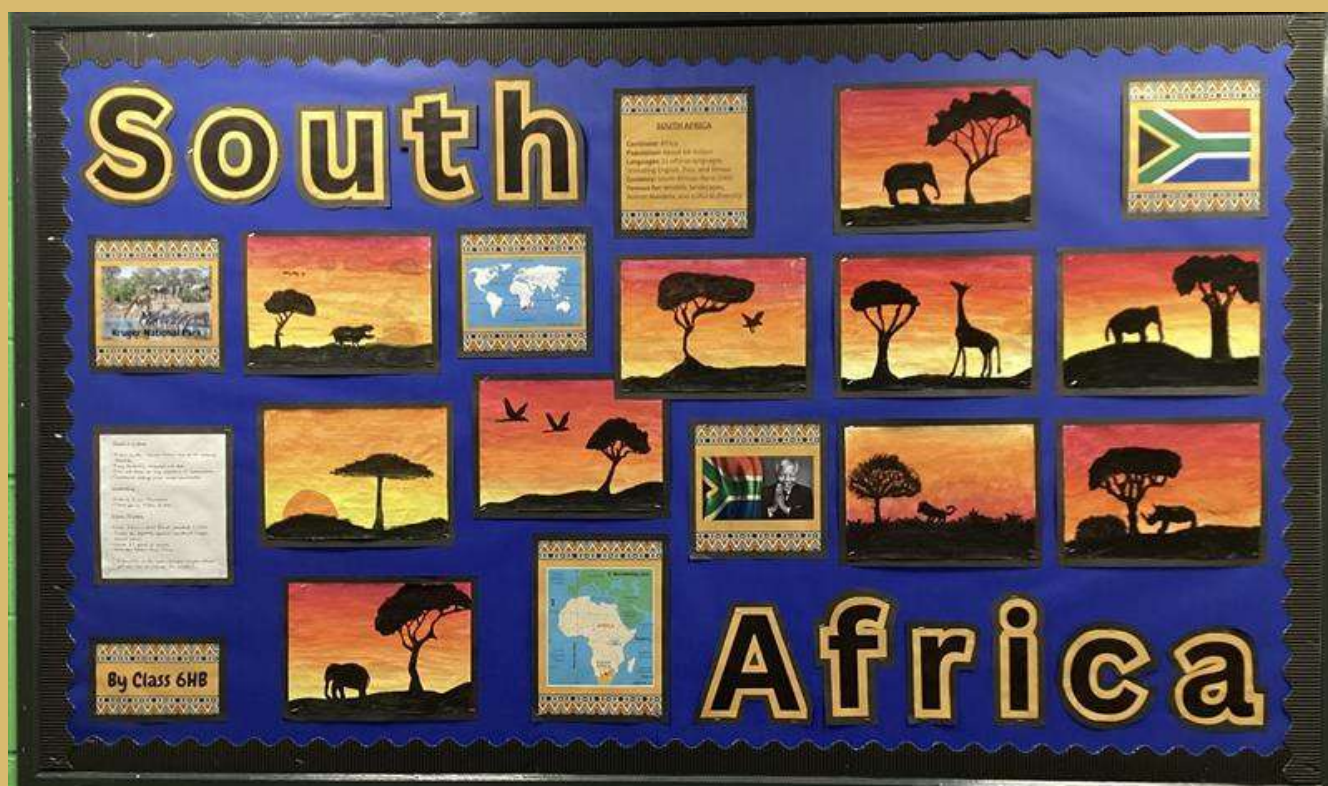
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School News – Meridian Art Showcase

Meridian Showcase 2026

On Thursday 2nd July, a talented group of Year 5 and Year 6 dancers proudly represented Brook Primary at the Meridian Trust Arts Festival.

This year's theme, "Our World, Our Future," celebrated the voices, creativity and imagination of primary school performers, encouraging them to explore their relationship with the planet through the performing arts.

Our pupils performed four outstanding dance pieces, showcasing a range of styles including contemporary, ballet and street dance. Their confidence, creativity and passion shone through in every performance.

We could not be prouder of our dancers. We know how much dedication, hard work and commitment went into rehearsing and creating these incredible performances, and they truly did themselves and our school proud.

A huge thank you also goes to our wonderful parents and carers who supported the children throughout the day and to those who came along to cheer and applaud from the audience. Your encouragement and enthusiasm helped make the day even more special.

Well done to everyone involved on such a fantastic achievement!





Wimbledon July 2026

On Tuesday 7th July, a group of Year 6 children were lucky enough to visit Wimbledon to watch the tennis.

What a fantastic event! We travelled by train to Wimbledon and watched some great doubles matches on Court 2, as well as watching some of the big names on the screen on The Hill and in The South Village. The children got a few signatures, nearly lost their voices cheering the players on and of course sampled some strawberries and cream. A wonderful day had by all and hopefully an experience they will never forget.







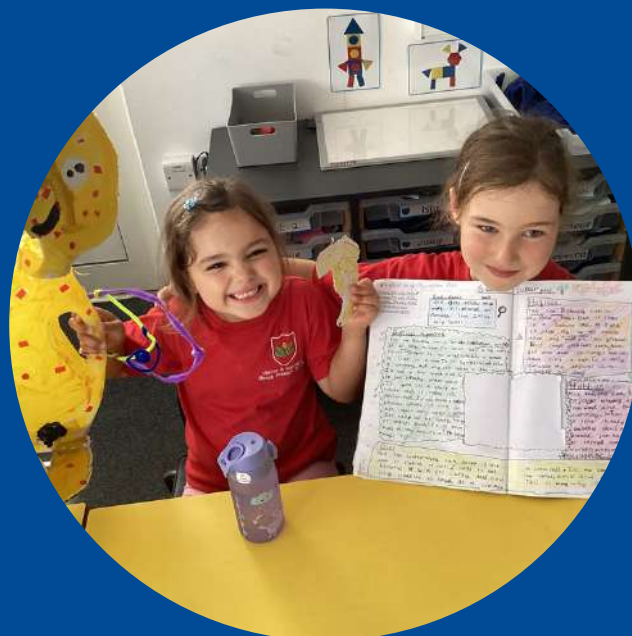
KS1 updates

Year 1 – collaborative musical art work Year 1 – collaborative musical art work



Year 2 – sea creature creations

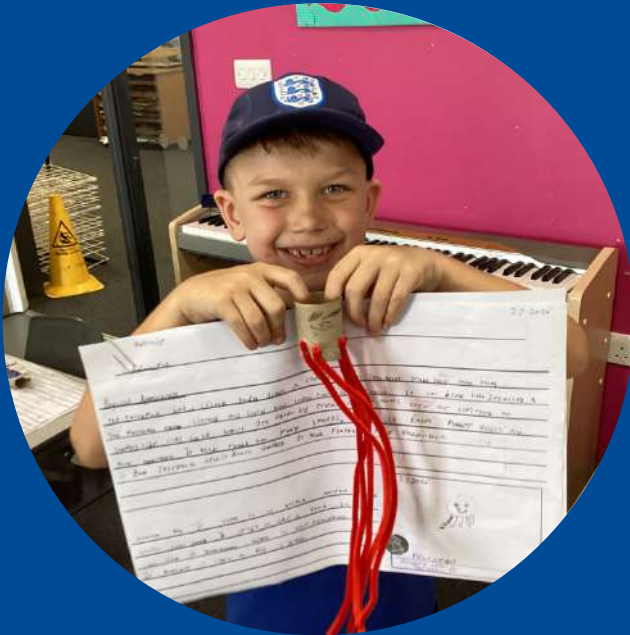
Year 2 – sea creature creations





KS2 updates

Year 2 – sea creatures



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Year 4 – creating shadows



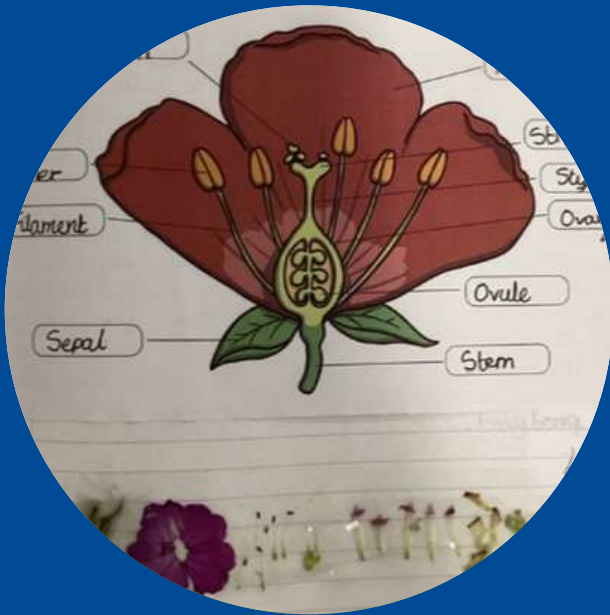
Year 4 – mapping Spain



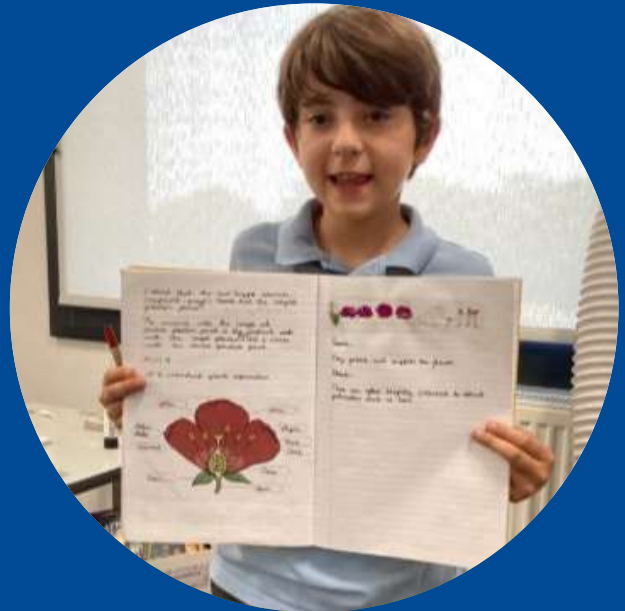


KS2 updates

Year 5 – dissecting a flower



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Year 6 – making fairground rides in DT



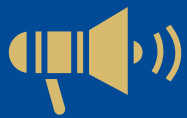
Year 6 – Caribbean cooking





Key Dates : Summer Term

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>
Tuesday 14th July	6pm – 7:30pm	Year 6 - Performance to Parents
Wednesday 15th July	All Day	Year 2 - Travelling Tuba Workshop
Wednesday 15th July	2.30pm – 3pm	Year 2 - Travelling Tuba - Performance to Parents/Carers
Thursday 16th July	4.30pm – 6.30pm	Year 6 - Leavers Event
Friday 17th July	All Day	Last Day of Term



PTFA News – Next Week!

UNIFORM SALE



School Pick Up (3-3.45pm)
Wednesday 15th July

New Donations Welcome
From September 😊



HIBPS PTFA

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No time for bake sales?

Here's the thing- our PTFA helps fund a range of enriching activities and projects. From new books your kids love, to amazing playground equipment, subsidising school trips that create memories and more.

However, we can only do it with your help. The good news? If you're time-poor but still able to give, then a regular donation is an easy way to contribute.

£10/month = less than two fancy coffees. But 50 families doing it = £6,000/year for our kids. They'll benefit from it. Everyone wins.

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10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

TECH-FREE SUMMER FOR TEENS

For many 11- to 16-year-olds, summer can quickly become screen heavy, especially when socialising, entertainment, and downtime all happen via their devices. Encouraging a tech-free summer isn't about banning technology altogether, but about helping young people rediscover friendship, creativity, independence, and the great outdoors. The NHS recommends that young people aged 5 to 18 aim for an average of at least 60 minutes of physical activity each day across the week.

1 BUILD OUTDOOR CHOICE



Teens are more likely to engage when they feel they have a level of control. Create a simple 'summer outdoors menu' with options such as cycling to a favourite café, playing rounders, visiting a skatepark, dog walking, photography walks, geocaching, or helping around the garden. Parents and educators can then ask young people to choose two or three activities each week that interest them.

2 PREPARE THE KIT

Small barriers can stop teenagers going outside, especially if they feel uncomfortable, too hot, or unprepared. Keep a grab bag with sun cream, water, snacks, plasters, a cap, period products, and a lightweight waterproof. During hot weather, plan shade, water breaks, and calmer activities, as vigorous exercise is not advised on very hot days.

3 TRY MICRO-ADVENTURES

Outdoor activities don't need to be expensive or complicated. A micro-adventure could be as simple as watching the sunrise, walking to a local viewpoint, making breakfast outside, visiting a new green space, or planning a bus journey to a nearby nature trail. Encourage teens to plan the route, snacks, and timings themselves to help build their independence.

4 LINK TO REAL INTERESTS

A young person who dislikes sport may still enjoy being outside if the activity connects with something they already care about. Link outdoor time to music, art, animals, fashion, cooking, photography, or social interaction. Ideas include sketching in a park, making a nature playlist, filming a wildlife vlog script, or designing posters for a community garden.

5 CREATE SOCIAL PULL

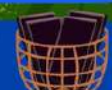
For many teenagers, friends are the strongest motivator in various areas of life. Parents can invite one or two friends on walks, picnics, or garden games, while schools can promote lunchtime leagues, outdoor clubs, or summer meet-ups linked to existing interests. Make these activities feel social rather than supervised, with adults nearby for safety but not dominating the experience.

6 MAKE TRAVEL ACTIVE



Active travel is a practical way to build outdoor time into everyday routines. Encourage young people to walk, cycle, or scoot short journeys where it's safe to do so, such as to school, the library, a friend's house, or a sports club. Educators could run a summer 'active miles' challenge, with pupils logging their journeys completed on foot or by pedal.

7 USE PHONE-FREE CHALLENGES



Rather than simply saying, "Put your phone away", turn time spent offline into a shared challenge. Try a two-hour, phone-free park visit, a family evening walk, or a tutor-group challenge where pupils track their screen-free outdoor hours and share what they've been doing. You could all agree to keep devices in a box, bag, or classroom drawer, and allow for check-in time afterwards.

8 OFFER REAL RESPONSIBILITY

Teens often respond well when outdoor activities feel purposeful. Give them the responsibility for setting up a garden get-together, planning a picnic budget, leading a warm-up routine, mapping a walking route, or organising outdoor equipment. Schools could ask pupils to design an outdoor wellbeing trail, manage a sports rota, or support younger pupils during activity sessions.

9 REPLACE, DON'T REMOVE



If screens are taken away without an appealing alternative, young people may see outdoor time as a punishment. Replace gaming sessions with football drills, dance practice, basketball shots, treasure hunts, or card games outside. Replace screen scrolling with a 'boredom box' containing items like chalk, a frisbee, skipping ropes, playing cards, seed packets, or a disposable-style camera.

10 CELEBRATE SMALL WINS



Not every teenager will suddenly love the outdoors, so recognise their gradual progress. Celebrate a 20-minute walk, an hour at the park, a phone-free picnic lunch, or choosing to cycle instead of being driven around. Parents and educators can use praise, certificates, group displays, or simple shared reflection to show that outdoor effort matters.

Meet Our Expert

The National College provides expert-led training and resources to support schools, trusts and education settings worldwide. Its guidance helps parents and educators understand the issues affecting children and young people today, covering topics such as safeguarding, wellbeing, digital safety, and healthy development.

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