



GREYTHORN PRIMARY

"Engaging hearts, equipping minds, opening doors"

Summer Term

Weekly Newsletter

27th June 2025

DATES FOR THE DIARY

TUESDAY 1st JULY

Foundation - Manor Farm Trip
1.30pm Year 3/4/5/6 Sports Day

WEDNESDAY 2nd JULY

1.30pm Foundation & Year 1/2
Sports Day

TUESDAY 8th JULY

Year 6 SATs Results

TUESDAY 8th & THURSDAY 10th JULY

6.30pm - 7.45pm Year 5/6
Performance

FRIDAY 11th JULY

Summer Picnic (FOGSA)

TUESDAY 15th JULY

School Disco (FOGSA)

WEDNESDAY 16th JULY

Peak Wildlife Park Year 1/2

MONDAY 21st - FRIDAY 25th JULY

York Residential Year 6

MONDAY 28th JULY

Year 6 Fun Afternoon (bring PE kit)

TUESDAY 29th JULY

Last Day of Term

9.15am Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Year 6 Shirt Signing
3.15pm Year 6 Parent/Carers Clap
6.45pm - 8.45pm Year 6 Party



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

History came alive this week with hands on learning during Roman Day!

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Internet Safety and Smartphone Awareness Information Evening. We've been thrilled by the positive feedback and are so pleased you found it valuable.

Keep an eye out in our weekly newsletter for a series of online safety posters provided by the National College. These are designed to support age-appropriate conversations at home and help you stay informed about keeping children safe online.

Meanwhile, rehearsals for our Year 5/6 production of Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits are in full swing! It's been wonderful to see the children's enthusiasm and commitment as they bring the story to life. We can't wait to share the final performance – it's shaping up to be a fantastic show!

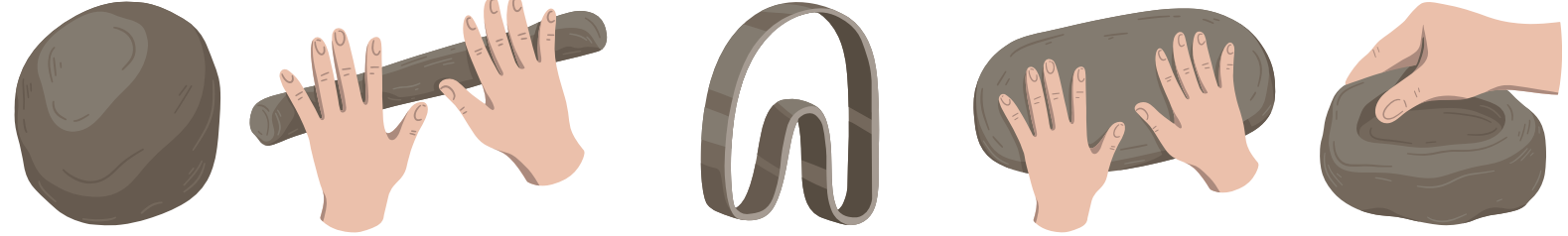
Mrs Carpenter



THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Foundation

In Foundation this week, we have been continuing our learning about sculpture. Last half term, the children used pipe cleaners to create their sculptures, inspired by the artist Luca Boscardin. This half term, we are working with clay. The children had great fun exploring the properties of clay and we talked about the similarities and differences between working with pipe cleaners and working with clay. The children are all excited to start planning their clay sculptures next week.



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Year 1/2

This week, we concluded our history learning on explorers by designing our own bravery awards and choosing the explorer we felt was most deserving. The children had fantastic ideas and confidently shared their choices with their classmates!

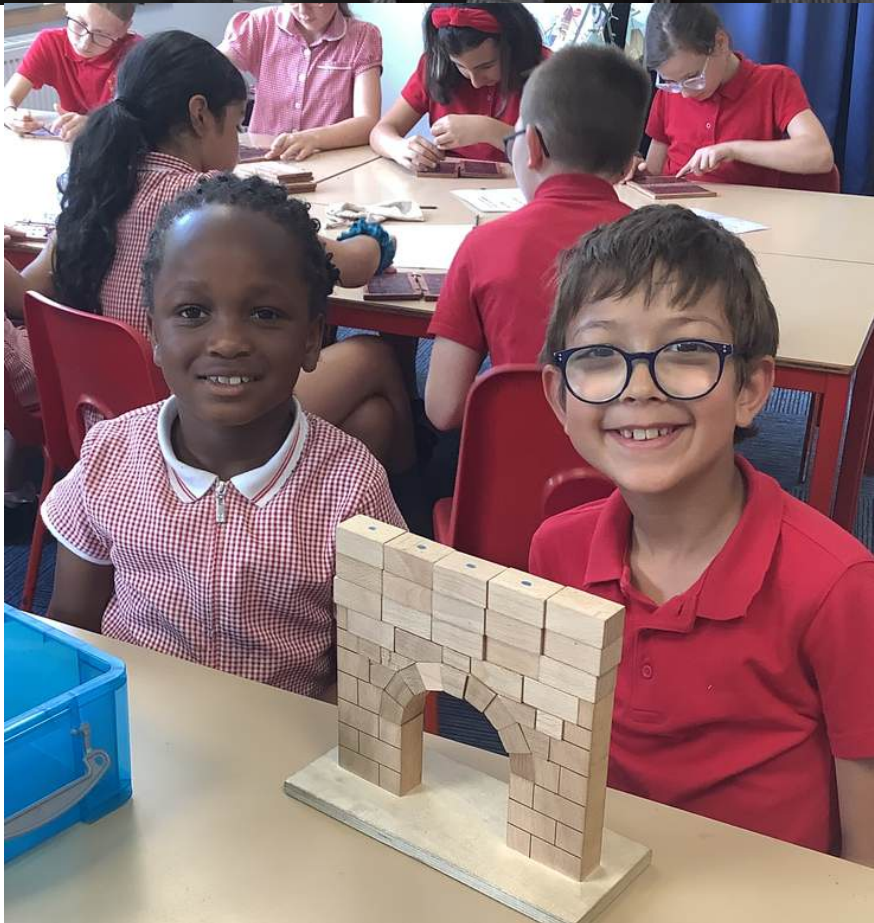


Year 3/4

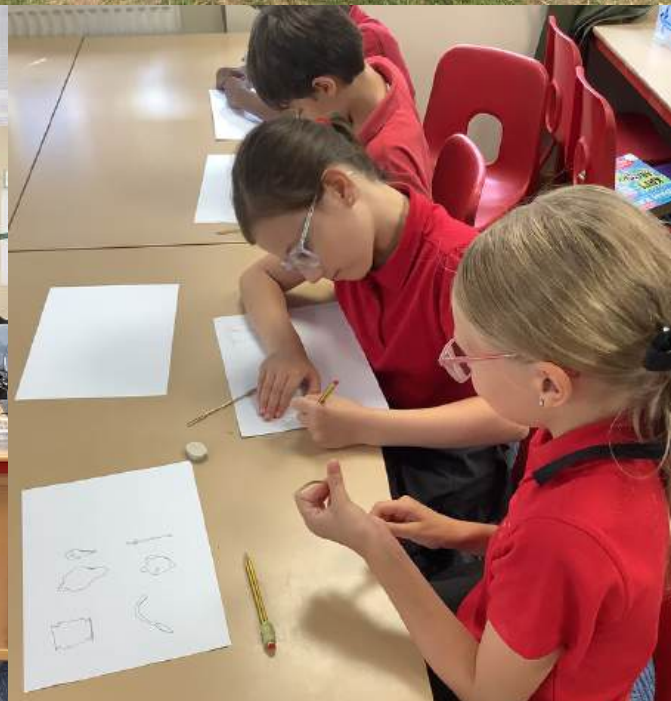
We had such a fantastic Romans day with Partake History. The children shared their brilliant knowledge and also learnt so much more through the super activities.

We started the day by exploring a range of artefacts. The children had to work out what they were used for and we were very surprised by quite a few. The Romans were incredibly clever.

After that, we created arches, made mosaics and tried out some Roman games. In the afternoon, we joined the Roman army and practised the tortoise formation. The girls won against the barbarians as their listening skills and teamwork were amazing. Finally, some of the children were turned into noble ladies and centurions.



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FOGSA



FOGSA are putting together some guides for parents for each of the different year groups with useful information. These guides will be published on FOGSA's website. If you have any suggestions please get in touch at fogsaemail@gmail.com.



SURPRISE BAGS

Your child will be bringing home a surprise bag (paper bag) on Monday 30th June.

The bag is to be decorated by your child and filled with surprises. The bag will then be sold at the Summer Family Picnic on Friday 11th July.

All bags should be returned to school between Weds 9th and Thurs 10th July. Contents of the bag should be nut free and secondhand toys are fine as long as they're in good condition :)

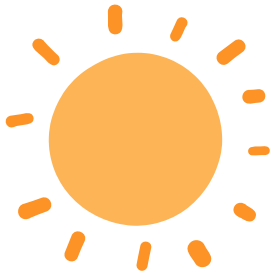
Bags will be sold for £2.50 and if your bag is gender-specific please label it.

Thank you for your support!

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ALI J PHOTOGRAPHY

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POP UP SHOTS AT SCHOOL

WHAT'S HAPPENING?
I'll be booking snappy 10 minute sessions at the summer fayre on Friday 11th July. We'll get a few minutes to grab some relaxed photos of the kids or all of you together.

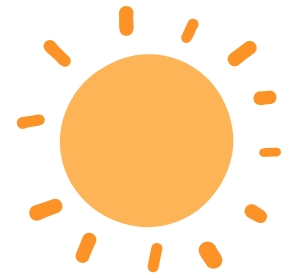
WHAT TO WEAR?
Whatever you would like! If your child has a favourite teddy or book or instrument you'd like in the photos, please bring it along.

WHERE WILL IT BE ?
Last year, we were based on the playground as you enter school and in the grassy area above that. Your time cannot be changed, slots are booked and you'll need to set that reminder alarm to grab the kids in time!

HOW WILL I GET MY PHOTOS ?
An email link allows access to an online private gallery for parents. Digitals will be delivered direct to your email; prints will be delivered to your chosen address.

HOW DO I BOOK? Click here.

alijphotos@gmail.com <http://www.facebook.com/alijphotos>



GREYTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC

WE NEED YOU!
11th July
5 - 7pm

WE NEED DONATIONS FOR THE RAFFLE, CAKE STALL AND SECONDHAND UNIFORM STALL.
IF YOU CAN HELP EMAIL FOGSAEMAIL@GMAIL.COM.
UNIFORM DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED AT SCHOOL RECEPTION
CAN YOU SPARE 30 MINS TO COVER A STALL DURING THE PICNIC? IF SO SIGN UP HERE:
VOLUNTEERSIGNUP.ORG/TDJWR

GREYTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC

FRIDAY
11th July
5 - 7pm

Bring a picnic and join the fun!

- RAFFLES • GAMES
- PIZZA VAN
- BOUNCY CASTLE
- ICE CREAM • LIVE MUSIC
- FACEPAINTING • DRINKS BAR AND SO MUCH MORE!

COMMUNITY



Community Matters...we need you!

Tuesday 8th July • 10-11am

Free healthy breakfast for all participants

What would you like to explore in future Community Matters?

What topics should we cover? These could be to do with health and wellbeing, safety, security, community services... and more!

Which expert guests or organisations would you like to hear from and speak with?

What activities and groups would best help you and your community?

**We'd love to hear what's important to you.
Come and share your ideas!**

Get in touch: st.paulschurchconnector@outlook.com

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www.wilford-carters-education.org

Application forms available from website

Charity no 528161

Application deadline 30th June 2025

COMMUNITY



FREE online talk



Supporting Healthy Screen Use

Screens are here to stay.
What are the potential harms and how can we reduce them?

To book your place go to the **PARENTS** page (facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

MENU SUMMER TERM 2025

Menu

w/c
30 June 2025

Please find attached our current lunch time menu.

If your child would like a school lunch they will be able to order on the day, the cost is £3.16 and needs to be paid in advance.

My School Menu

Spring/Summer 2025

Week 2
Week commencing
28 April, 19 May,
9 June, 30 June,
21 July, 8 Sept,
29th Sept

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Main</p>	Margherita pizza <small>Soya Gluten Milk</small> with potato balls, baked beans & sweetcorn	Quorn dipper <small>Gluten</small> wrap <small>Gluten</small> with tomato ketchup, peas & french fries	Cheesy tomato pasta <small>Mustard Soya Gluten Milk</small> with garlic bread <small>Gluten Soya Milk</small> sweetcorn & peas	Bangers & mash <small>Gluten Sulphur Dioxide</small> OR plant based sausage <small>Soya Sulphur Dioxide</small> with seasonal vegetables & gravy	MSC Fish fingers <small>Fish</small> with oven chips, baked beans & peas
<p>Pudding</p>	Donuts <small>Soya Milk Gluten Egg Sesame</small>	⚠️ Yoghurt pot <small>Milk</small>	⚠️ Ice cream tub <small>Milk</small>	Vanilla sponge <small>Gluten Egg & raspberry sauce</small>	Fruit ice lolly

Please note that the puddings on Tuesday and Wednesday this week differ from those listed on the previously published Week 2 menu.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about YOUTUBE KIDS



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

As its name suggests, YouTube Kids is a child-friendly version of Google's online video-sharing platform. Its colourful user interface is designed with young people in mind, and it offers a curated, family-friendly experience with features like age-based content settings and parental controls.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT BYPASSING FILTERS



YouTube Kids is less likely to show inappropriate material than YouTube, but there have been reports of the app showing age-inappropriate content to young viewers. One investigation found that YouTube Kids had shown videos that promote skin bleaching, weight loss, drug culture and firearms to children as young as two, as inappropriate content had bypassed the platform's algorithms and human moderators.

BE WARY OF ADVERTISING



Like Google's regular YouTube app, YouTube Kids features pervasive advertising before a video plays. While these adverts are designed to be family friendly and are subject to a strict review process, it's worth noting that YouTube Kids collects information around children's viewing to inform targeted content and advertisements.

DESIGNED TO BE ADDICTIVE



YouTube Kids is designed to be addictive. The platform's design features, such as the constant stream of new videos and the reward system of points or virtual stickers, can be very engaging and make it difficult for children to switch off. Research has shown that spending too much time using digital services such as YouTube can lead to screen addiction, affecting children's daily routines, studies, and even their social lives.

SETTINGS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED



YouTube Kids offers built-in parental controls, enabling you to set screen time limits and curate the content children are able to view; however, children are often more tech-savvy than we think. They can easily bypass or tweak these settings if they have access to the associated Google account password, thereby exposing themselves to age-inappropriate and potentially dangerous content.

AI-GENERATED MISINFORMATION



There is also a risk of children accessing videos that contain disinformation and misinformation. A BBC investigation found that some YouTube channels are using artificial intelligence (AI) technology to create misleading 'scientific' videos that are recommended to children as educational content. These videos included conspiracy theories and ideas that lack scientific backing.

DATA COLLECTION RISK



While there are limits on the data that YouTube can collect on children under 13, children can still inadvertently give away sensitive information when using YouTube Kids. The platform collects data on children's viewing habits, content searches and location, which YouTube and third-party advertisers can use.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PARENTAL CONTROLS

YouTube Kids offers several settings that allow you to manage what content children can view. For example, you can choose what level of content you want them to access, such as 'Preschool' or 'Younger'. You can also turn off the search function, so that only those videos approved by the YouTube Kids team themselves will appear on a child's recommendations list.

CHECK WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has made it easy for you to keep an eye on what the children in your care have been watching on the app. By clicking on the 'Recommended' icon at the top right of the home screen, you can see which videos they've been viewing, and how much of each. If a child watches YouTube Kids while signed into a Google account, you can check their history through Google's 'My Activity' page.

SET TIME LIMITS

The built-in parental controls let you keep a tab on how long children spend watching videos. You can set a timer that limits screen time and disables the YouTube Kids app once a specified length of time has been reached. It's also worth speaking to children about the dangers of spending too much time on YouTube, to ensure they remain focused on other, more important activities.

WATCH TOGETHER

It's important that you try to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for children. One way to do this is by introducing watching sessions, where you all gather around and share the most enjoyable videos that you have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you both new things to talk about and of keeping an eye on what they're watching.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced journalist with more than 10 years of experience covering the technology industry. Previously a senior cybersecurity reporter at TechCrunch, Carly is now a freelance journalist, editor, and copywriter. Her bylines include Forbes, TechRadar, Tes, The INQUIRER, The Metro, Uswitch, and WIRED.



The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/youtube-kids-2025>

TODDLER STAY AND PLAY

A VERY WARM WELCOME

AWAITS YOU
AND YOUR CHILDREN

For Parents/Carers with Children (age 0 – 4 yrs) living in the
local community

Come and join us for playtime, chat and refreshments



Free of Charge

9.15AM – 10.15AM

Friday 11th July



Please email/telephone to
reserve your place