



Diary Dates

Friday 6th February

Number Bee Final

Monday 9th & Wednesday 11th February

Nursery Parents' Consultation Meetings.

Wednesday 11th February

Parents' Consultation Meetings.

Note: School closes to pupils at 1:30pm on this day. No after school care on this day.

Lunchtimes

Reception: 11.00am-12.00pm

Years 1 & 2: 11.30am-12.30pm

Years 3 & 5: 11.30am-12.15pm

Years 4 & 6: 12.15pm-1.00pm

Friday 13th February

Last day of half term

Monday 16th – Friday 20th February

Half Term

Monday 23rd February

Return to school for pupils

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Weekly message

A warm welcome to our latest newsletter. We hope that you enjoyed reading about all of the stunning starts that took place at the beginning of the year; the children are all thoroughly immersed in their new topics and have already produced some wonderful work, based on these.

In this edition of the newsletter, we celebrate all of the children who have been awarded a commendation, along with other awards, over the last two weeks.

This week saw the start of our spring term clubs. Please remember that there will be no clubs or boosters in the last week of this half term due to the Parents' Consultation Meetings. **Orchestra will continue as normal.**

We hope that you enjoy our latest newsletter and would like to thank you, as always, for your on-going and continued support.

We wish you a restful weekend.

Treats and sweets after school

Parents and carers are asked not to give out sweets or other food items in the playground after school due to the children with food allergies. By doing this it helps the safety and well-being of all children.

Number Bee 2026

Our Number Bee final will take place next Friday 6th February. Children have worked so hard and participated eagerly in the rounds.

We are delighted with the effort the children made and they should be really proud of themselves.

Article of the Week

Article 29: Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities. It should also help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.

The Scholastic Book Fair is Coming!

2 MORE DAYS... The book fair will be at Cleveland for another 2 days until **Tuesday 3rd February**) it's packed with exciting new titles, colourful journals, and fun stationery for children of all ages!

The fair is in the **dining hall**, and both **cash and card payments** are welcome. It's a fantastic opportunity to encourage a love of reading and support our school at the same time—every purchase helps earn rewards for new books for our classrooms.

Come along and find your next great read!

2026: The Year of Reading

We're excited to invite families to make 2026 the Year of Reading—a fun, flexible way to build reading into everyday life. Alongside BookTrust, we'll be taking part in the Book Missions, a set of simple monthly challenges you can enjoy together at home. From books that make you laugh to outdoor reads and favourite-author letters, each mission offers a new reason to pick up a book.

Why join in? Reading together boosts language and vocabulary, strengthens confidence and empathy, and—most importantly—creates positive reading habits that last. The Book Missions are designed to be low-pressure and high-fun, helping children discover what they love to read while giving families easy conversation starters and shared moments.

There's no right or wrong way to take part—dip into a mission each month, repeat favourites, or make it your own. Let's celebrate stories, curiosity, and time together. Join us in 2026 and make reading an adventure all year long!

[2026 book missions](#)



Dr Bike visits...

Dr Bike will be visiting our school on Monday 9th February for a free safety check of Cleveland children and staff's bicycles. So, let your class teacher know if you are going to bring your bike in on this day. Expert bike mechanics will be in school at the Quiet Area in the Key Stage 2 playground to assess what needs doing, to adjust anything minor and to advise on bigger jobs. If it's a quick fix, these bike mechanics will do this on the day for free. If it's something more complex, they will be able to advise you about what you need to do and how much this will cost. So let your teacher know if you plan to bring along your bike to get a free check and repair by specialist bike mechanic. If you would like more information about the work of Dr Bike click on the link below:

<https://cycleconfident.com/>



Reception – Road Safety

This week, Reception children were delighted to watch The ZOOPA Doopa Road Safety Show. They loved meeting Tommy the Toucan, who shared his top tips for crossing the road. The children eagerly helped Tommy demonstrate what they learned, confidently showing their understanding throughout the show. Zoe the Zebra and Pete the Pelican also took turns in the spotlight, guiding the children as they practised creating their own pedestrian crossings. Reception thoroughly enjoyed the grand finale, enthusiastically singing along to the road safety song and joining in with the actions for “stop”, “look”, “listen” and “think”.



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Year 1 Homework projects

Year 1 are thoroughly enjoying their Spring term text, *On a Magical Do-Nothing Day*. To help immerse the children in the story, we invited them to create their own magical gardens, adding anything their imaginations desired. Each garden was as interesting and unique as the next.

We received a wonderful variety of projects: paintings, 3D models, wooden structures, and more. The children used plenty of creativity to design their miniature magical gardens, which will inspire and support their ideas for writing. They were extremely proud of their unique creations and are excited to continue exploring our story!





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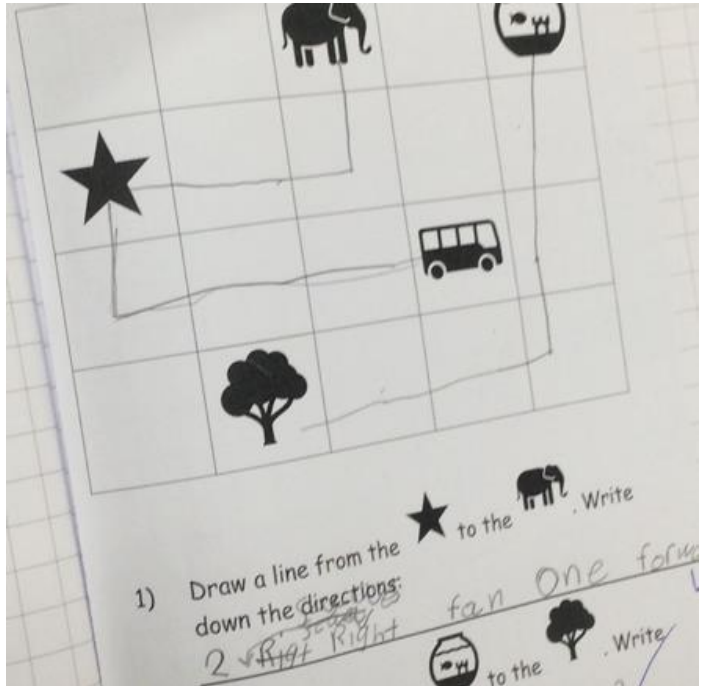
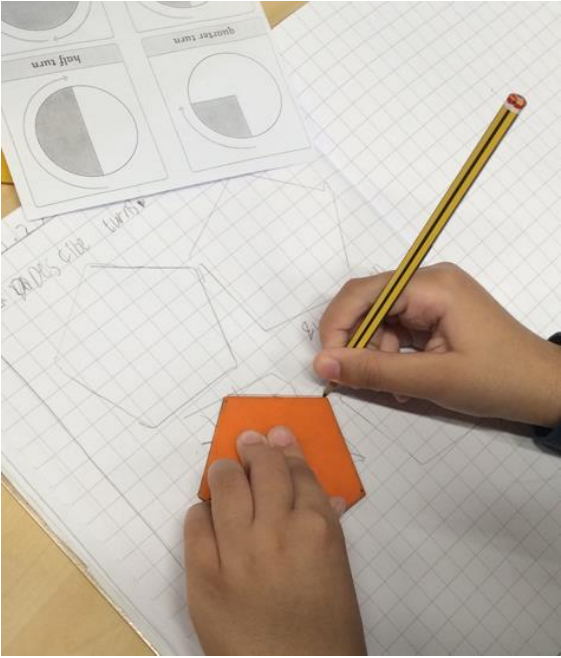
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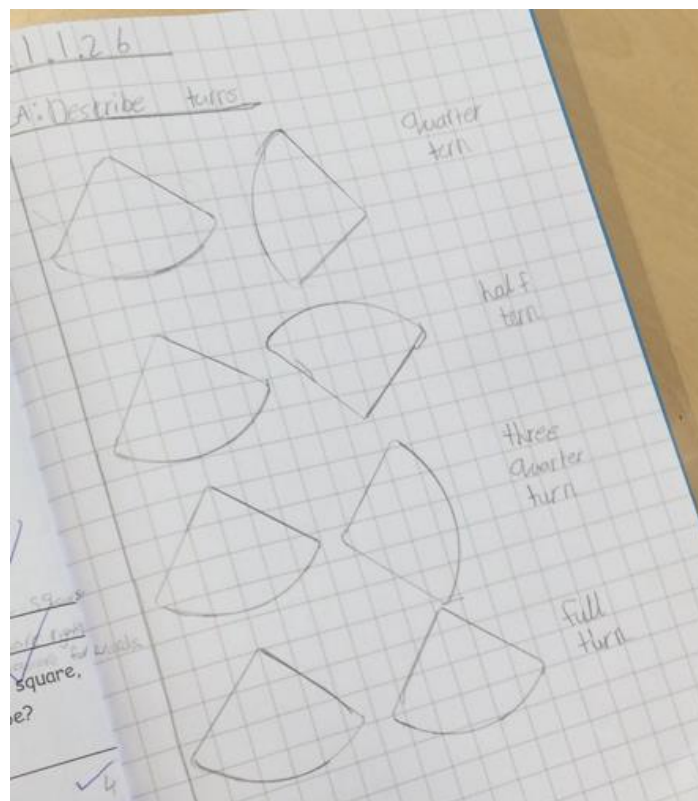
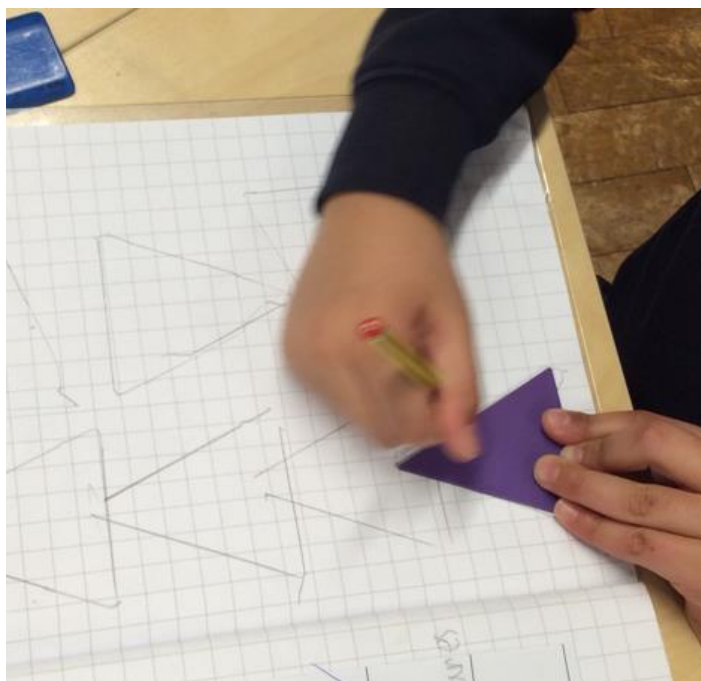
Year 2 Maths

The children have learned lots of new mathematical vocabulary and are starting to talk like real mathematicians, confidently using words such as forwards, backwards, left, right, clockwise and anticlockwise.

We've enjoyed plenty of hands-on learning, using maps to give and follow directions, and playing games that required careful thinking about different turns and movements. The children particularly loved challenging themselves to work out clockwise and anticlockwise turns, showing great perseverance and teamwork along the way.

It's been wonderful to see how engaged and enthusiastic the children have been, and how their confidence has grown as the week has progressed. You might even spot them using their new maths language at home!





"If I do a half turn clockwise it's the same as a half turn anticlockwise!" **Aisha 2E**

"To get to the house, I went forward 3 squares and then left 2 squares." **Safan 2E**

"I can give my friends directions on how to find things." **Mahin 2A**

"When I turn, I use words from Maths, like quarter, half and full." **Maja 2A**

"Position tells us where something is and direction tells us which way to go." **Ayub 2S**

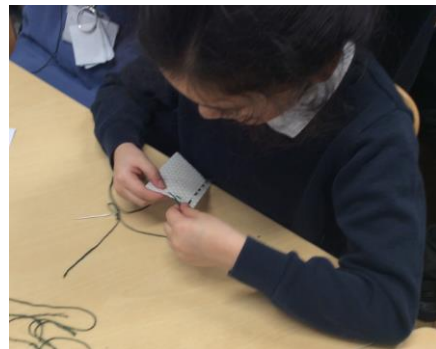
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Year 2 – Puppet making

Year 2 have worked incredibly hard this week in exploring, designing and making their very own hand puppets in DT this week! We have explored different types of puppets and have discussed how puppets are constructed and put together, paying close attention to different types of stitching.

We spent considerable time practising our running stitch and have created very well-crafted hand puppets representing our favourite animal.

In our evaluation, we discussed what went well and what we would change if we had to recreate puppets again in the future.





"I am really good at doing the running stitch." – Inaya 2BG

"Putting the thread through the needle, it quite fiddly." - Muhammed 2BG

Year 3 – Visit to St Luke's Church

Year 3 had a wonderful visit to St Luke's Church as part of their Religious Education Learning. Upon arrival the priest warmly welcomed the children and talked about the importance of the Bible and why Christians believe Jesus is so special, sharing how his teachings guide people in their daily lives. He also explained the different celebrations held there and why they are important to Christians, such as Christmas, Easter and baptisms. They explored key parts of the church, including the altar, the cross and where their special bread is held.

Throughout the visit, the children were incredibly engaged. They showed great curiosity and respect, asking interesting and thoughtful questions. Their enthusiasm made the priest smile, and he said he was very impressed by how much they already knew and how eager they were to learn even more, making the visit a memorable learning experience for everyone.





"I like how the church was decorated with Christmas trees and garlands." **Hethvik 3C**

"When the priest was answering questions, I learnt new things. I enjoyed listening to the stories about Jesus."
Somprity 3C

"I liked the big bell- the patterns and how it lasts a long time." **Dilan 3A**

"I liked the different statues." **Azaan 3A**

"I learnt that their special meal was wine and bread. All the facts the priest spoke about was interesting." **Ayah 3R**

"I learnt that Christmas ends on 3rd of February and that's why they still have the Christmas trees up." **Yahya 3R**

"I was surprised because I didn't know that the church was so large. And they still had their Christmas trees on display." **Morium 3RS**

"There were lots of crosses and statues all over the church. I liked the Christmas lights that were still decorated inside." **Aasiya 3RS**

Year 4 - Get Cooking with Maths and DT!

Year 4 learners have been busy combining their maths skills with a hands-on Design and Technology project – and the results have been both educational and delicious!

As part of a practical lesson on predicting, measuring, and converting units of weight, learners explored a wide range of ingredients in preparation for making soup. Before weighing, learners made sensible predictions, then carefully measured ingredients using grams and kilograms, comparing amounts and converting between units where needed.

This real-life context helped bring their maths learning to life and showed them just how important accuracy is when following a recipe.

To enrich the experience even further, the lesson introduced ingredients from across the globe, with a special focus on African soup ingredients. Learners handled, discussed, and weighed items commonly used in African cooking, broadening their cultural understanding alongside their practical skills.

This linked beautifully with our English text, *One Chance Dance* – by Efula Traore, which is set in Nigeria. By connecting our maths, DT, and English learning, we were able to make meaningful links between the story, the culture it represents, and the food traditions they explored in class.

Our learners showed fantastic curiosity, teamwork, and enthusiasm throughout the lesson. We are very much looking forward to continuing this cross-curricular project as Year 4 move on to making their soup – watch this space!

Year 5 – Pantomime trip

Year 5 recently enjoyed a truly magical trip to London’s West End to see *Cinderella* the Pantomime—and what a show it was! From the moment the curtain rose, the performance was phenomenal, bursting with energy, humour and surprises. The children were completely swept up in the action, especially when the show cleverly wove in the latest trends—*K-Pop Demon Hunters* and “67”?

There was no sitting still: pupils were up on their feet, dancing, singing and laughing hysterically as they joined in with the fun. The spectacular pyrotechnics left everyone wide-eyed with amazement, and the show’s catchphrases have been echoing around school ever since. A truly unforgettable experience and a trip full of smiles, sparkle and pure joy!



“I really enjoyed the pantomime because I loved the special effects and songs.” **Ziyarah 5G**

“I loved the show very much. Button’s character was the funniest and made everyone laugh.” **Bilal 5S**

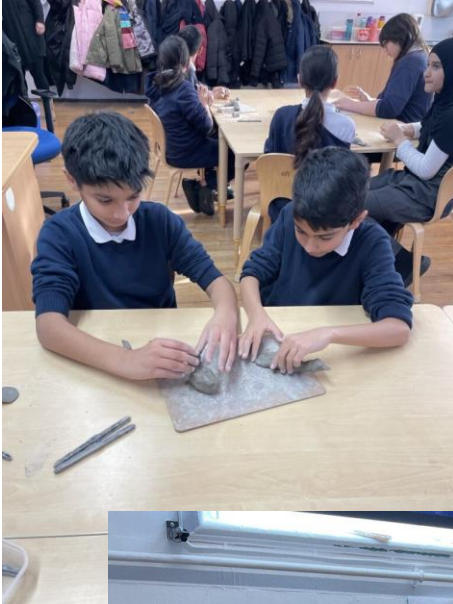
“The pantomime was so much fun and the songs were great.” **Abdullah 5R**

“I liked all of the songs and between the songs, there was fire. I liked that! Overall, it was so much fun!” – **Sara 5B**

“I really liked when they played Golden and when Cinderella and the Fairy God mother dressed up. The chicken dance was also so much fun!” – **Faatima Z 5B**

Year 6 Stunning Start

As part of our stunning start to the new book *Skellig* by David Almond, the year 6 children created clay birds and angels inspired by the front cover's striking image of wings. The activity linked closely to the book's themes and sparked excitement within all. The children enjoyed the chance to use their imagination and explore ideas of flight, mystery and transformation through hands-on creativity.



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I loved making birds with clay, and shaping them- **Blessing**

I tried to make the birds more realistic by adding details such as wings and feathers. I adding wiggly lines to create the effect – **Warizah**

I made by bird so it looked like it was about to fly away- **Ismail**

The wings on the front cover of the book made me think the story would be a mystery and may have an angel in it- **Ivana**

London Borough of
Redbridge



COFFEE MORNING

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD TO BECOME A CONFIDENT LEARNER

Monday 9th February 2026

Join the Redbridge Mental Health Support Team at Cleveland Road Primary for a discussion about how to support your child to be a more confident learner.

You can also find out about how to self-refer to our wellbeing service.

Monday 9th February 2026

9am-10am

AT CLEVELAND ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Commendations

Commendations are awarded, each week, to children who have demonstrated the 5Cs in all aspects of school life.

		Week Beginning 19 th January 2026		Week Beginning 26 th January 2026	
Year	Class	Teacher Commendation	Peer Commendation	Teacher Commendation	Peer Commendation
N	N AM	Adam	Izhaan	Badri	Zaara
	N PM	Ananya	Eman	Fatima	Ayan
R	RY	Mantasha	Ayaan	Mantasha	Haram
	RF	Zayaan	Rubab	Manan	Orhan
	RA	Mustafa	Salaar	Kayden	Leo
	RN	Mirha	Hania	Hamza	Shahveer
1	1B	Gurtejvir	Danish	Hawa	Usairum
	1Z	Inaaya	Muhammad Ali M	Adhveek	Parizay
	1SB	Haider	Malaya	Bakhatwar	Rameen
	1RB	Umayyer	Navid	Arba	Hamza
2	2BG	Abdullah	Alayna	Abdur - Rahman	Inaya
	2A	Yahya W	Mahin	Rayan	Yaqub
	2S	Bahishta	Muhammad	Harry	Amani
	2E	Aleena	Ishika	Shahmeer	Multazam
3	3C	Alisha	Anaya	Adeena	Eman
	3A	Zara Khan	Sudorsona	Shazil	Arun
	3R	Aroua	Mehojabeen	Shahmeer	Ashar
	3RS	Radin	Samiq	Minsa	Aasiya
4	4C	Yuliyen	Suhaib	Urwah	Farooq
	4N	Goirgio	Arham	Inaaya	Manha
	4J	Kulkirat	Advait	Faith	Kevin
	4H	Maaz	Momina	Ioana	Hakshaya

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5	5G	Umaimah	Adnan	Hashim	Samara
	5B	Saafa N	Navam	Yazmin	Yahya
	5S	Mustafa	Zaima	Tayyaba	Jasmin
	5R	Sami	Vidhya	Kavya	Minsa
6	6B	Ilyas	Nouah	Ayesha	Zaeem
	6Y	Hadia	Mahir	Muhammad Ali	Mehjabeen
	6K	Jordan	Kyara	Aleeza	Quratulain
	6Q	Kulrajveer	Aaditya	Kanisshkaa	Dawoud

Citizen of the Week

Many congratulations to our *Citizens of the Week*. These children have demonstrated, throughout the week, the qualities of a great citizen – considerate, caring, concern for others, generosity of spirit. These children go the extra mile to support other children and adults in class and in all aspects of school life. We are enormously proud of them.

Week Beginning 19 th January 2026		Week Beginning 26 th January 2026	
Year	Name	Year	Name
Year 1	Sarah Khawar	Year 2	Varnika Jain
Year 5	Himanshu Bharucha	Year 3	Mehojabeen Faiza
Year 6	Ibrahim Butt	Year 4	Zaraan Khan

Attendance Awards

Every Monday we celebrate the class with the best attendance. This class is awarded the coveted attendance trophy, which they keep in their class all week. You can help your child's class win this trophy, simply by ensuring they are in school, on time, each and every day!

	Week Beginning 19 th January 2026	Week Beginning 26 th January 2026
Reception, Year 1 & Year 2	2E- 98.3%	1B – 97.9%
Year 3 & Year 5	3R – 100%	5G - 96.7%
Year 4 & Year 6	4C- 99%	6Y – 99%

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Modern Foreign Languages (Spanish) Awards

We are delighted to announce this week's winners of our *Modern Foreign Languages* award. Many congratulations to all the children who have been given the Spanish commendation this week for demonstrating excellent attitudes to learning in their Spanish classes.

	Week Beginning 19 th January 2026	Week Beginning 26 th January 2026
Year 1	Cecily	Madhi
Year 2	Ayub	Niazbeena
Year 3	Ibrahim Ali	Elif I
Year 4	Trarita	Aila
Year 5	Adam A	Ayeza S
Year 6	Aisha Y	Amaan O

Sports Awards

Well done to the children who have been nominated for a Sports Award by Mrs May for excellent efforts in PE.

	Week Beginning 19 th January	Week Beginning 26 th January
Class	Name	Name
1B	Sukhraj	Haris
1Z	Arthur	Noah
1SB	Princess	Haider
1RB	Qasim	Aaira

Reading Awards

Reading at home is an essential part of the children's reading lives – children who read widely and often, for pleasure, in their own time, so better in all areas of learning.

Week Beginning 19 th January 2026			Week Beginning 26 th January 2026		
Yusuf	6K	Gold	Rubab	RF	Silver
Ibrahim	6K	Emerald	Khadija	6Q	Ruby
Lukas	6K	Bronze	Juwayriyya	6Q	Sapphire
Safin	6K	Bronze	Nashmin	6Q	Sapphire
Faryal	5G	Silver	Ayyub	6Q	Gold
Fatima Malik	4J	Emerald	shriya	6B	Sapphire
Airah	4J	Gold	Ismail	6B	Bronze
Asfand	2E	Bronze	Zara	6B	Bronze
Shahmeer	2E	Silver	Mehrimah	6B	Gold
Morhanikha	2E	Ruby	Ivana	6B	Ruby
Daivy	NAM	Bronze	Haaziq	6B	Diamond
Saffiya	NAM	Bronze	Amaya	5G	Emerald
Yuet Ying	NAM	Bronze	Anabia	5G	Amethyst
Anaya	2A	Amethyst	Owais	5G	Ruby
Halima	5R	Diamond	Ayesha N	5G	Sapphire
Musa	5R	Gold	Musa	5S	Bronze 2
Saanvi Agarwal	2S	Silver	Miraj	5S	Ruby
Aarav	2A	Bronze	Zayna	6K	Emerald
Halima	2A	Silver	Laya	6K	Ruby
Mustafa	RN	Silver	Afnan	3R	Bronze

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Shahveer	RN	Silver	Shahmeer	3R	Emerald
Akaal	RN	Silver	Zohan	3R	Emerald
Muhammah Ali	6B	Gold	Mustafa	2BG	Silver
Blessing	6B	Gold	Zainab	2BG	Silver
Ayesha	6B	Bronze	Ismail	2BG	Sapphire
Joella	6B	Bronze	Umaimah	5G	Gold
Yuvika	6B	Silver	Sumayyah	4J	Bronze
Hooriya	6B	Emerald	Maryam	4J	Ruby
Nouah	6B	Ruby	Haseeb	4J	Sapphire
Ilyas	6B	Amethyst	Zainab	1B	Silver
Faryal	6B	Diamond	Julia	1B	silver
Imran	4H	Bronze	Niveek	5B	Gold
Humayra	4H	Ruby	Maria	5B	Sapphire
Mikael	RF	Bronze	Sara	5B	Ruby
Rubab	RF	Bronze	Ishika	2E	Bronze
Arin	RF	Silver	Kai	2E	Diamond
Mrithula	RF	Silver	Hasnain	2E	Silver
Sarika	3A	Silver	Yoshika	4C	Bronze
Zayyan	3A	Emerald	Ahmed	4C	Amethyst
Inaaya	4N	Silver #2	Aayan	4C	Sapphire
Aila	4N	Gold #2	Samyuktha	6Q	Diamond
Kadeerah	4N	Gold	Armaan	6Q	Diamond
Safeeya	4N	Sapphire	Sazia	6Q	Silver
Zaria	4N	Diamond	Kulraj	6Q	Emerald

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Rayan	3RS	Bronze	Yashfa	6Q	Ruby
Yoshita	3RS	Bronze	Morium	3RS	Diamond
Paaras	3RS	Bronze	Aliza	RA	Bronze
Ayaan	3RS	Silver	Izyaan	RA	Bronze
Aaronas	3RS	Silver	Leo	RA	Silver
Ashhar	3RS	Amethyst	Saadhana	1B	Bronze
Helen	3RS	Emerald	Mahdi	1B	Silver
			Eliza	2A	Bronze
			Yamac	2A	Bronze
			Ayesha	2A	Bronze
			Eliza	3A	Sapphire
			Sudorsona	3A	Silver
			Agam	4H	Silver
			Samvrita	4H	Bronze 2
			Amilia	4N	Bronze 2
			Aila	4N	Emerald 2
			Rudransh	4N	Silver
			Arham	4N	Emerald
			Manha	4N	Gold
			Inaaya	4N	Silver 2
			Khadijah	4N	Diamond

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Science Awards

Well done to the children who have been nominated for a Science Award due to their exceptional work and efforts in Science.

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Year	Name	
Year 2	Lisha Arora	Lisha has been given the Science award this week for her fantastic contributions to our topic Animals, including humans and for asking interesting questions. She has been brilliant at responding to her next step questions in her book and thinks carefully about her response. She has been a great learning partner by sharing her scientific ideas confidently and she has continued to work on her science at home by producing a great life cycle poster.
Year 3	Zarrar Wasti	Zarrar has worked really hard on his use of scientific terminology such as friction and his application of it to the friction experiment, we conducted in class.
Year 4	Nuh Islam	Nuh works extremely hard in science lessons and shows a real interest in learning. When we were learning about the food chains, he was able to categorise producers, prey and predators and explain clearly how the cycle works. Nuh makes good links to previous learning to help him understand new topics and can use evidence to explain his ideas. He has a strong reasoning skill by explaining a variety of food chains during class discussions and should be very proud of his effort in science.
Week Beginning 26 th January 2026		
Year 1	Ava islam	Ava has been awarded the Science Award this week for her enthusiasm and wonderful curiosity during our science lessons. She demonstrated excellent prior knowledge about animals and asked thoughtful questions that she is eager to research further. Ava was able to confidently name and classify different types of animals, explaining both their similarities and their differences. She also thoroughly enjoyed our senses investigation, especially exploring a variety of smells. Ava always works hard in science and shows great commitment and determination in her learning. Keep up the fantastic work, young scientist!
Year 5	Rayyan Rahat	Rayyan Rahat in 5S has been presented with a Science Award for showing great interest in science lessons and participating in class discussions with enthusiasm. This week, Rayyan has shown an excellent understanding of different parts of a flowering plant. Whilst dissecting it skillfully, Rayyan showed great attention to detail and it was wonderful to see his curiosity in exploring the structure of the flower. Well done!

Year 6	Rumaisah Choudhury	This Science Award is presented to Rumaisah in recognition of her excellent effort and consistently positive attitude in science lessons. She approaches each task with enthusiasm, works hard to deepen her understanding, and always strives to do her best. Rumaisah has produced particularly strong work in her recent study of the circulatory system, showing clear understanding and thoughtful presentation of her ideas. She is a fantastic role model for curiosity and perseverance in science. Well done!
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