

Dear Par-

ents/Carers,

Alison Jacob Head teacher

Online Safety

As children spend more time online, it is important that they learn how to stay safe when using the internet, games and apps. At school, we regularly remind children never to share personal information, to speak to a trusted adult if something worries them online, and to be kind and respectful when communicating with others. We encourage parents and carers to continue these conversations at home by checking privacy settings, monitoring screen time and talking openly about safe online behaviour. Working together helps children enjoy the benefits of technology while staying safe and protected online.



Every month we have a value which we share with the children. Children who display this value in school are put into the Golden Book and receive a certificate and a clap in assembly.

In December our Values are :

Take responsible risks

Please could you discuss this value with your child/ren at home.

At Edgware we believe that every member of our school community is respectful, aspirational and committed to life-long learning and excellence.



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



POSITION	CLASS	% ATTENDANCE
1 ST	Lime	98.85%
2 ND	Chestnut	97.69%
3 rd	Poplar	97.62%

All absences must be reported before 9:00am each day by notifying the school. Tel: 020 8952 1472 option 1 or email absence@edgwareprimary.co.uk

May 2026



FIRE BRIGADE VISIT YRS 2 & 5



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On Tuesday 21st April, firefighters from the London Fire Brigade visited the school to run exciting fire safety workshops with the children. With the Year 2 children they talked about what fire is, how it can be dangerous, and how it can hurt people if we are not careful. The children learnt about common fire hazards, including why it is important never to play with matches or lighters. The fire officers also explained why smoke alarms are so important in keeping our homes safe, and what to do in an emergency, including how to call 999 for help.

For the older children, the session included more detailed information about fire safety. They learnt that fire can be very dangerous, spreading quickly, destroying homes, and even causing loss of life. The firefighters explained that smoke can be just as dangerous as flames, and showed how smoke alarms work and how to check they are working properly. The children also learnt about the importance of having a fire escape plan at home, including in flats or tower blocks, so everyone knows how to get out safely in an emergency. The children thoroughly enjoyed the workshops.



If you would like to organise a Home Fire Safety Check please click on the link below or copy or paste in to the browser <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/safety/the-home/home-fire-safety/home-fire-safety-checker-hfsc/>.

Firefighters from the closest local fire station or Community Safety Officers from the London Fire Brigade will provide **free** safety advice and fit smoke alarms when needed.

LOCAL WALK OF THE AREA

EDGWARE

Year 1 enjoyed a fantastic geography walk around our local area of Edgware as part of their learning about the features of the local community. During the walk, the children spotted and talked about many different places and landmarks, including churches, banks, train stations, bus stops, telephone boxes and different types of houses. They were excited to recognise familiar places and learn more about what makes our community special. The children demonstrated excellent listening and observation skills throughout the trip and had a wonderful time exploring Edgware together.

Thank you to all the parents that volunteered.



CHESTNUT ASSEMBLY



On Wednesday 29th April, Chestnut performed their class assembly. They followed the Roberts family on an exciting journey around the United Kingdom, visiting England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. The Children confidently shared many interesting facts and showed the audience beautiful photos of famous landmarks and natural wonders from each country. The assembly finished with a lovely song all about the United Kingdom.

Thank you to all the parents that came to support the children.





MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS



During Mental Health Week 2026, the children took part in a range of activities designed to support their emotional wellbeing and encourage positive mental health. Across the school, pupils discussed the importance of kindness, friendship, resilience and talking about their feelings. Children enjoyed mindfulness activities, class discussions, creative tasks and opportunities to reflect on ways to keep both their minds and bodies healthy. It was wonderful to see so many children dressed in green in support of the Mental Health Foundation, showing the importance of supporting one another and understanding that looking after our mental health is just as important as looking after our physical health. Thank you so much for all of your kind donations.





SCHOOL STATIONERY



Schools across the county are currently facing significant challenges due to tightening budgets. Unfortunately, like many others, we are receiving less funding to meet the growing demands of our children's needs. In light of this, we are kindly asking for your support to help us provide the essential items that the children need in their classrooms.

We would be extremely grateful for donations of the following stationery items.

Nursery and Reception

Glue sticks x 3

Colouring pencils – a pack

Felt tips – a pack

Years 1-6

HB Pencils – a pack

Glue sticks x 3

Colouring pencils – a pack

Black pens

All stationery will be handed in to your child's class teachers and will be used by the children throughout the term. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.



RECEPTION VISIT TO CANONS PARK

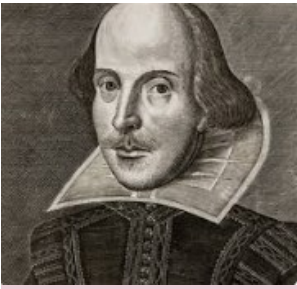


On Thursday 30th April, Reception visited Canons Park for an exciting Big Bug Hunt! The children had a wonderful day exploring and searching for minibeasts while learning all about their habitats. They discovered butterflies, ladybirds, snails, slugs, and even a wriggly centipede hiding under logs in the forest.

Reception have also been taking part in a Barnet project with Middlesex University called 'Making Oddkin'. Through this project, the children have been learning about bugs, their habitats, and why minibeasts are so important to our planet. They have been learning how to look after these tiny creatures and treat them with care and respect.

On Thursday 7th May, Professor Jayne Osgood visited Reception to see all the fantastic work the children have completed for 'Making Oddkin'. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the project and thoroughly enjoyed their exciting Bug Party!





NATIONAL SHAKESPEARE DAY



Each year on National Shakespeare Day, we celebrate the life and work of William Shakespeare, one of the greatest writers in the English language. Born in Stratford-upon-Avon in 1564, Shakespeare went on to write many famous plays and poems, including comedies, tragedies, and historical dramas that are still performed all over the world today. His work has had a big impact on literature, language, and theatre, introducing words and phrases we still use today. Celebrating this day helps children enjoy storytelling, be more creative, and understand how important Shakespeare's work is to our culture.

Throughout the day the children took part in many activities as well as listening to a short video on BBC Bitesize.

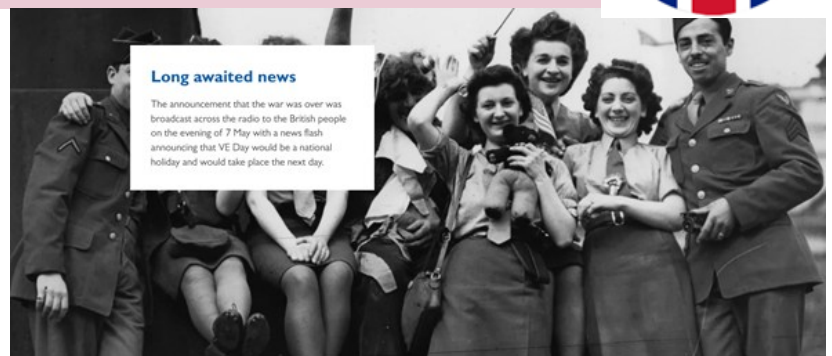
Year 4—Poplar and Beech



VE DAY



On Friday 8th May, we held a special assembly to remember VE Day, which marked the end of World War II in Europe on 8th May 1945. Across the country, people celebrated with street parties, dancing, and singing. In London, large crowds gathered in Trafalgar Square and outside Buckingham Palace, joined by King George VI, Queen Elizabeth, Princess Elizabeth, Princess Margaret, and Prime Minister Winston Churchill. While it was a joyful celebration of peace, it was also an important time to remember the bravery and sacrifices of those who lived through the war.





YEAR 4 & 5 MOVIE NIGHT



On Thursday 21st May, the Year 4 and 5 children enjoyed a fantastic Movie Night filled with fun, laughter, and delicious popcorn! The children were able to choose between watching *Kung Fu Panda* or *K Pop Demon Hunters*. We would like to thank everyone who supported the event. The money raised will go towards purchasing new resources for the children to enjoy in school.



MAPLE CLASS ASSEMBLY



On Wednesday 6th May, Maple Class performed their class assembly all about South America. The children confidently shared lots of interesting facts they have learned in Geography, including information about the countries, culture, landmarks, and traditions of South America. The assembly also included dancing, which brought plenty of smiles and energy to the performance! To finish, the class gave a brilliant performance of a Brazilian song called *The Sing Up Mambo*.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to showcase their learning and were very proud to share their hard work with everyone who came to watch.





RAF MUSEUM



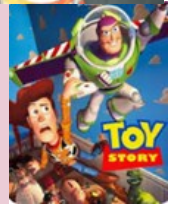
On Thursday 21st May, Year 2 enjoyed an exciting visit to the RAF Museum. The children explored the museum and saw a range of aircraft, including aeroplanes and helicopters. They learned about the history of flight and discovered how aircraft have changed over the years.

As part of the visit, the children took part in a fascinating workshop where they learned more about how planes fly. They enjoyed joining in with hands-on activities and asking lots of thoughtful questions to develop their understanding.

The trip was both fun and educational, and the children returned to school with lots of new knowledge about aviation. A big thank you to the RAF Museum staff and all the adults who helped make the day such a success.



YEAR 6 MOVIE NIGHT

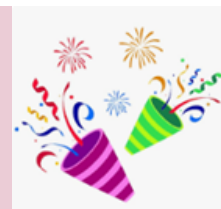


On Tuesday 19th May the children had a wonderful time as they watched Toy Story and enjoyed yummy popcorn. The event was a great success and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the fun afternoon. We would like to thank all the families for their support, the money raised will go towards exciting activities and experiences for Year 6 pupils.





RECEPTION VISTIOR AND PARTY



Reception children have been working with Professor Jane Osgood from Middlesex University to learn about minibeasts and their environment. As part of the 'Making Oddkin' project, children are encouraged to explore their relationship with nature, especially minibeasts such as worms, snails, bees and insects, through art, storytelling, play and outdoor learning. The project helps children think about how humans, animals and the environment are all connected, and how we can work together to care for the natural world. The Phrase "making oddkin" comes from the idea that humans and other living things can live happily together.

On Tuesday 12th May, Professor Osgood and staff from Barnet Schools visited the children to attend their Bug Ball celebration. The children proudly shared their fantastic artwork and writing, and also prepared some delicious bug-themed food for everyone to enjoy. It was a wonderful celebration of all the children's hard work and creativity.



NURSERY MONSTER PARTY



On Wednesday 20th May, the Nursery children enjoyed a fantastic end-of-term Monster Party! The children had lots of fun dancing to monster-themed songs, playing exciting games and sharing some delicious food together. There were plenty of smiles and laughter throughout the celebration, making it a wonderful way to end the term.





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KEY CALENDAR DATES

Shakespeare Project	Tue 2nd June	Year 4 performance at 4pm at the Arts Depot.
Barnet Music Festival	Tue 9th June	Starts at 7pm and ends at 8.30pm pick up from the Arts Depot
Assemblies presented by Narconon	Wed 10th June	For Year 5 and 6
Spanish Day	Friday 12th June	
Careers Day	Wed 17th June	Year 6 children to learn about different careers.
Author Visit	Thurs 18th June	Author to visit the Rec—Yr.2 children
Book fair	Mon 22nd June	Book Fair after school in the hall
Edgware Got Talent	Mon 29th June	Final of Edgware's Got Talent

PARENTS AND SCHOOL....WORKING TOGETHER

Learn & Grow Together

We are pleased to announce that we have a limited number of Nursery places available for September 2026. If your child was born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, they may be eligible to join our Nursery. Our Nursery provides a nurturing and fun environment where children can learn, play, and develop confidence as they begin their school journey. For further information or to enquire about a place, please contact the school office.

ATTENDANCE

Holidays in Term Time

Please do not book holidays during term time. Taking holidays in school time is not acceptable and will **NOT** be authorised.

Parents may ask for leave of absence for **exceptional circumstances only** and should expect a fixed-penalty notice for each child if they do not have their Head teacher's permission.



TERM DATES

Autumn Term 2025

*2 INSET Days Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September

First Half – Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 24th October 25

*Half term – Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October 25

Second Half – Monday 3rd November – Friday 19th December 25

*1 INSET Day – Friday 28th November

Christmas holiday: Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January 26

Spring Term 2026

*1 INSET Day – Friday 9th January 26

First Half – Monday 5th January – Friday 13th February 2026

*Half term – Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February 26

Second Half – Monday 23rd February – Friday 27th March 26

Easter Holidays: Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April 26

(Easter Weekend 3rd April – 6th April 26)

Summer Term 2026

*1 INSET Day – Friday 17th April 26

First Half – Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May 2026

*Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 26

*Half Term – Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 26

Second Half – Monday 1st June Friday 19 July 26





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School holiday: Monday 22nd December 2025—Friday 2nd January 2026

Spring Term 2026

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First Half – Monday 5th January—Friday 13th February 2026

*Half term - Monday 16th February—Friday 20th February 2026

Second Half - Monday 23rd February—Friday 27th March 2026

School holiday: Monday 30th March — Friday 10th April 2026

(Easter Weekend 3rd April—6th April 2026)

Summer Term 2026

*1 INSET Day - Friday 17th April 2026

First Half - Monday 13th April—Friday 22nd May 2026

*May Bank Holiday - Monday 4th May 2026

*Half Term—Monday 25th May—Friday 29th May 2026

Second Half - Monday 1st June—Monday 20th July 2026

* *School closed to pupils*