



HUNTLEY NEWS May 2026

Our School Vision

Nurtured individuals, learning together with God's love, living life to the full.

Curriculum:

SATS week

Firstly, a huge well done to our Year sixes for approaching SATS week with the positive attitude we knew they would! They had four mornings of English and Maths tests and we are proud of their approach towards them.

Thank you too, to our governors who came in and helped administer the tests and to Rev Lara for joining us on the first day and delivering a SATs prayer which was shared at the start of each day.

Dear Lord,

I lift the children of Y6 who are taking SATs. Surround them with your peace and strength during this time. Grant them the clarity of mind, recall of knowledge and confidence as they face each test. May they know they are loved and supported regardless of the results. Amen

On the first morning Mr Walding had also crocheted each of the children a lucky octopus. Such a thoughtful gift which kept the children company on their desks during the test!



The children enjoyed a hearty SATs breakfast every morning and then cakes and hot chocolate were shared afterwards.



With SATS out the way, the year sixes enjoyed their 'Fun Friday'

For the first task, the children needed to create an outfit using bin bags and paper towels. We had some very interesting designs.

They then played Taskmaster. In one task, the children had to create a cartoon character from the items on their desk.



Job talk – Mr Taylor

A massive thank you to Mr Taylor for coming in and speaking to the children in worship about his job. It was not a job any of us had heard of and involves project managing the building of huge (massive!!) refrigerated buildings to keep food fresh. The longest project took 5 years to complete! It was so interesting to find out what the job entailed and the skills needed. To highlight his top tips for success he also shared this quote with us:



SKILLS



Chance to Shine Cricket Coaching

All the children in school have once again enjoyed a term of Chance to Shine cricket coaching- an initiative offered by the Gloucestershire Cricket Foundation. We have a fantastic coach, Becky who comes in every Friday and does a session with each class. It is lovely to hear that so many of the children are engaging in local cricket clubs. We are spoilt for choice around here!



Science news

This term the children have been busy investigating materials. In one lesson they looked at lots of different types of paper and thought about what they could be used for. They have also been testing materials to find out if they are magnetic.

The year 1 & 2 science group have started their new forces topic and have been exploring gravity and friction.





National Numeracy Day

Wednesday 20th May was National Numeracy Day. In Class River the children designed a community park and worked out the costings of all the equipment they wanted in it. They had a budget and needed to choose what they wanted in their

park. On a similar theme, the children in Ocean designed and costed a skate park after watching a live lesson. They also carried out a 'would you rather' activity' based around financial capability which raised some great discussion. One question was – 'Would you rather have a £10 note or 10 £1 coins?'

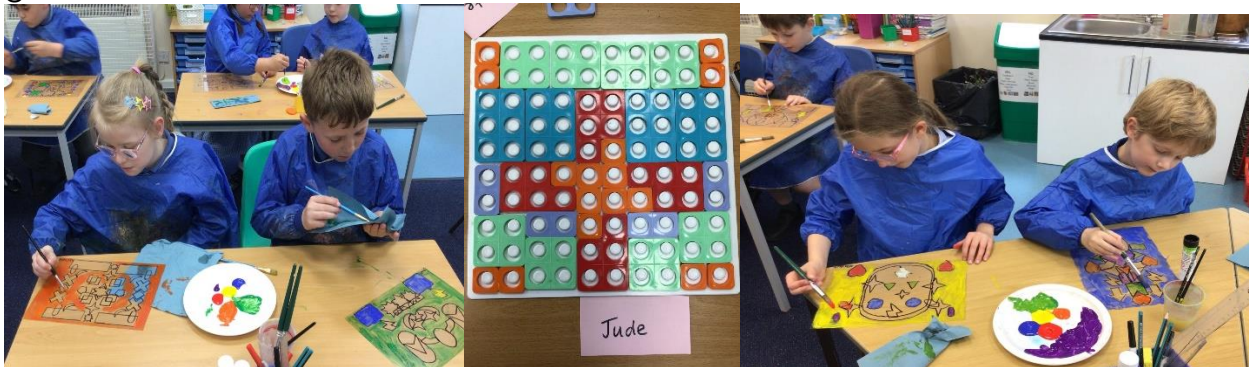
Dementia lessons

Last term, the children in year 5 and 6 carried out some work in their Wellbeing lessons around dementia. The children were so engaged and were eager to find out about dementia and how they could support those living with the condition. The children all entered a county wide competition to design a coaster which will be printed for work places, to raise awareness.

Mrs Davis- one of our governors came into school to speak to the children about the work they had done and was impressed at the children's knowledge and understanding.

Class River art work

Class River have been exploring calligraphy, vegetal and geometric Islamic art styles. They have made geometric patterns in lots of different ways and digitally designed stained-glass window images. They used our print-outs as stencils to paint our windows. They look great!



Personal Development:

Certificates: These children have been awarded certificates over the past couple of weeks.

Head teacher award- Y6 children for a positive approach towards their SATs

Class Stream- Emilia, Estrella and Lily

Class River- Jacob

Class Estuary-Olivia, Milo

Class Ocean – Tamlyn. All of year six.

Writers of the week- Martha, Isaac and Matilda N

Hand writer of the week- Felix

Times Table Rockstar- Jessica and Angus

Numbots

Kevlar – Isabella

Carbon Fibre – Guy

Titanium – Guy

Bronze- Holly

Bikeability

This week the children in year six have been completing their Bikeability. They have been learning how to keep safe on the roads when riding their bikes.

Window design competition

Some time ago we asked the children to submit designs for the windows outside the school office and on the door windows in Class River and Estuary. It has been a long time coming but the designs are ready to go and will be put on the windows after half term. Thank you so much for all your wonderful entries.

Below are the winning designs. Milo's design will be put on the windows near the school office and Tamlyn and Arlie's design will be on the classroom doors in River and Estuary. They have had to be adapted for the printing process but we think they look amazing!



Tamlyn and Arlie



Milo