



The Drake News

4TH MAY 2026

Where a World of Opportunity Awaits

Our value and creative habit this term...



This half term, our whole school community has been exploring the value of Courage and the creative habit - Inquisitive.

We have been learning what it truly means to be courageous – not just in big, heroic moments, but in the small everyday choices that help us grow, try new things and achieve incredible things.

The children have been practising what it means to be inquisitive by wondering and questioning, exploring and investigating, and challenging assumptions. These habits help our children become thoughtful, independent learners who aren't afraid to ask questions, look deeper and think differently.

Every Day Matters



It is a statutory requirement for children to attend school every day.

This week's winners are...

Maathai with 98.71%

Save the date

SPORTS DAY

Key Stage 2 - Morning
EYFS & Key Stage 1 - Afternoon

FRI MAY 22ND

Details to follow this week

WELL DONE

This week has been assessment week for most year groups, and we are incredibly proud of how our children have approached it.

Summative assessments are an important part of understanding what children have learned, identifying their strengths, and helping teachers plan the next steps in their learning journey.

A huge well done to all our pupils for their resilience, focus and hard work throughout the week. They have shown a brilliant attitude and should feel very proud of themselves.

Next week, it is Year 5's turn, followed by our Year 6 pupils who will be completing their SATs. We want to wish them all the very best of luck – we know they will try their absolute best and make us proud.

Earth Day Learning

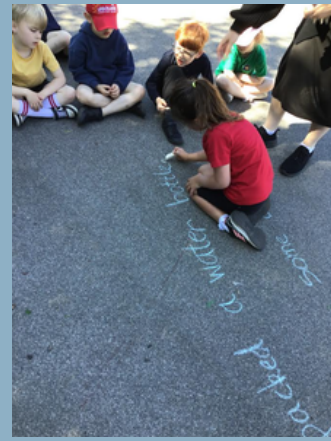


Thunberg Class have been taking part in an Earth Day activity, using the opportunity to reflect on the incredible world around us, including the smallest creatures that play such an important role in our environment.

The children spent time exploring, observing and discussing the different living things that share our planet, thinking carefully about how we can appreciate and protect them.

We are proud of the thoughtful way Thunberg Class engaged with this learning and their growing understanding of the importance of looking after every part of our Earth.

Year 1 Get Creative With Commas!

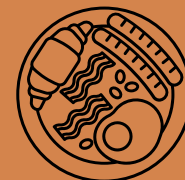


This week in Year 1, Merian Class have been busy developing their writing skills as part of our whole-school priority to strengthen writing across the curriculum. The children have been learning how to use commas in a list, and they made the most of the lovely weather by taking their learning outside.



On the playground, the children created their own sentences about what they would pack in a suitcase. They carefully chose their items and added commas in all the right places, showing fantastic focus and enthusiasm.

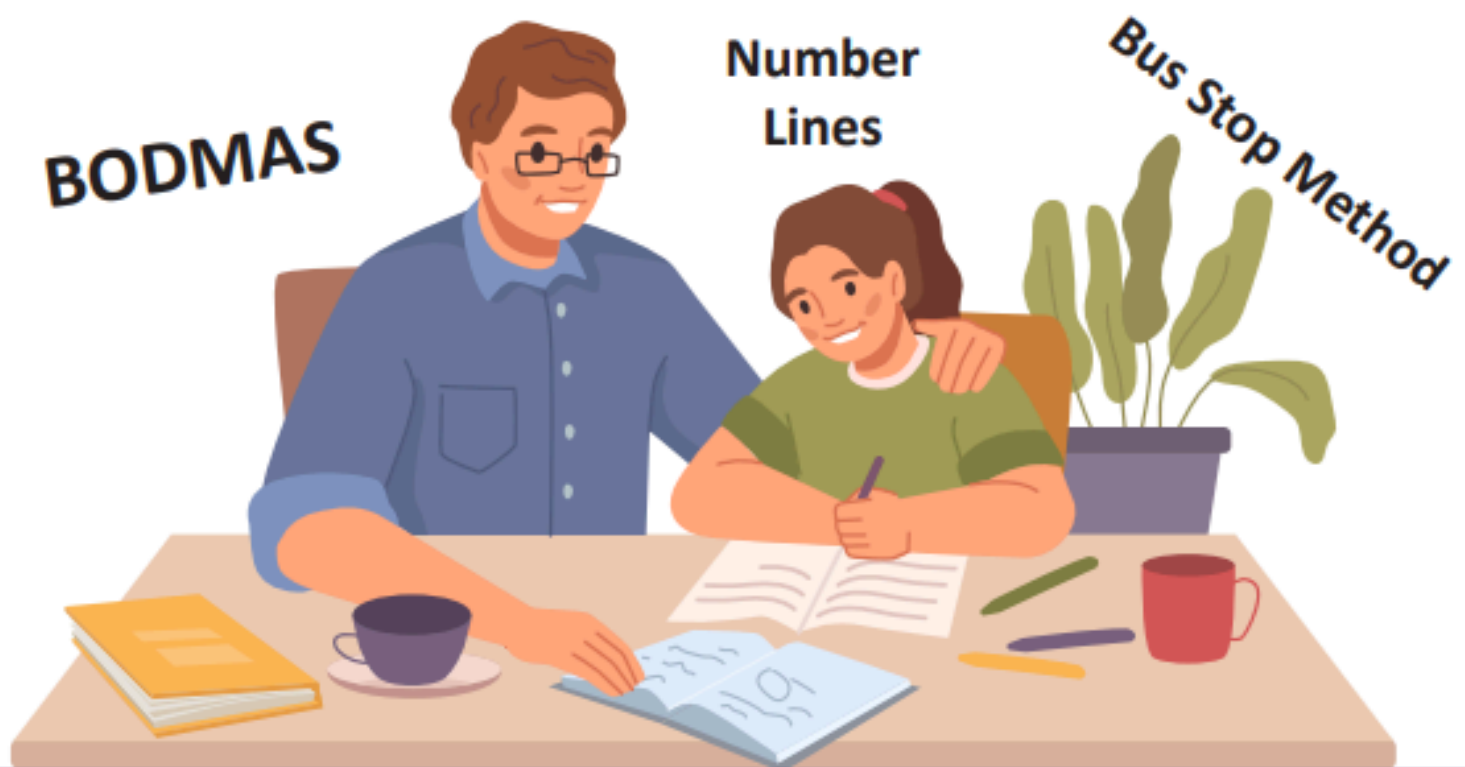
Calling all Year 6 pupils!



To help you start each day feeling calm, focused and ready for your SATs, we are inviting you to join us for a special cooked breakfast each morning of SATs week. Breakfast will be available from Monday 11th May, giving everyone the chance to settle in, chat with friends and begin the day positively.

A huge thank you in advance to our wonderful kitchen team for preparing these breakfasts and supporting our Year 6s during this important week.

I Wasn't Taught Like That - Maths Drake Primary School KS1 (Yr.1-2)



Would you like to support your child more with their Maths homework?

Are you confused about modern techniques and words your children might use?

NCC Family Learning are delighted to invite you to Drake Primary School over June for a **FREE 4-week workshop** on understanding the modern Maths curriculum.

Workshops are engaging and informal; delivered with no judgement by our professional tutors.

You don't have to be able to attend all 4 weeks, but it's a better experience for you if you can.

TUESDAY AFTERNOONS - 2 HOURS PER WORKSHOP - 1:15pm - 3:15pm

JUNE 2nd - PLACE VALUE, ADDING AND SUBTRACTING

JUNE 9th - MULTIPLICATION, DIVISION AND FRACTIONS

JUNE 16th - MEASURE (INCLUDING TIME AND MONEY)

JUNE 23rd GEOMETRY (SHAPE)

**** CHILDREN TO JOIN FOR LAST 30 MINUTES TO WORK WITH YOU ****