



The Drake News

7TH JUNE 2026

Where a World of Opportunity Awaits

Drake's Got Talent!



A huge congratulations to all our Drake's Got Talent finalists.

We are immensely proud of every one of our performers. What an incredible wealth of talent we have in our school.

A special well done to our winner, Isla, who sang to the whole school with no microphone and the most amazing confidence. We can't wait to see her perform again at the Summer Festival.

Photos of the performances will be shared in next week's edition of The Drake News.

Every Day Matters



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

This week's winners are...

Maathai with 98.4%

Poetry Week: A Visit from Lewis Buxton

He's made me want to write more poems.
Natsa Y4



He helped us learn about poems by doing it in a really fun way
Summer Y5

This week welcomed the poet Lewis Buxton into school for a morning as part of our Poetry Week. He is an inspirational, hilarious, engaging visitor and he left us all very excited about poetry.



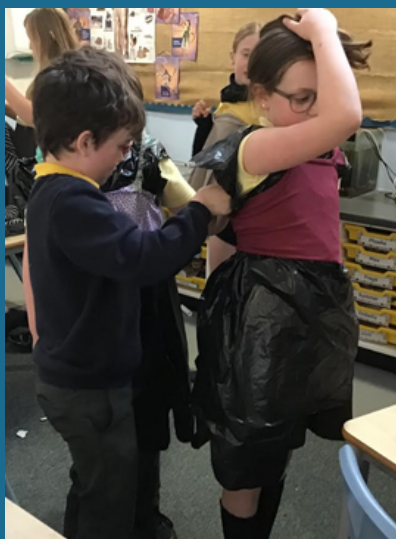
Lewis also led workshops in both Year 4 classes, where the children had an amazing time exploring language, rhythm and performance. They built on their growing love of poetry and produced some truly fantastic pieces of writing. We look forward to sharing a selection of their poems in next week's newsletter.

What I loved about the assembly is the fact he taught us about poetry in a really fun way so we all listened and joined in.
Vanessa Y5

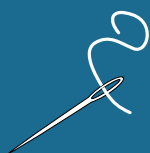
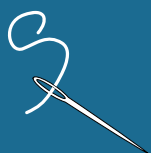
He was really bubbly and cheery which made it fun. I loved his 'My baby is made of cheese' poem.
Maddie Y6

I loved his Bogies poem because it was really funny and I liked joining in.
Naomi Y3

Year 5 Fashion Show: Sustainable Style on the Catwalk



Last week, the children in Year 5 held a fantastic fashion show for the youngest children in our school. They modelled the clothes they had designed and made, confidently presenting the creative process behind their work. As part of their Design & Technology curriculum, Year 5 have been learning about textiles, construction techniques and sustainable design. They thought carefully about how we can reduce waste and protect our planet, choosing to use only recycled clothes and fabrics, including old school uniform, to create their garments.



Their teamwork, creativity and commitment to sustainability shone through in every outfit. They should be incredibly proud of the fantastic creations they produced.

Year 2 Discover Incredible Creatures at the Bug Parc



On Thursday Year 2 went on a trip to the Bug Parc. They had a fantastic time handling a range of different animals, including giant african land snails, hissing cockroaches and giant millipedes.

They learnt about ant colonies and watched one in action where tens of thousands of ants collected leaves for their nests. They met different breeds of scorpions, spiders, crabs and many other insects, finding out about their diets, habitats and life spans.



A highlight was walking through the butterfly garden and trying to get butterflies to land on them! They learnt about a range of different life cycles to help us continue our learning in science.

Reception Intake Evening 2026-27



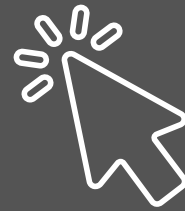
Thank you to all the families who attended our Reception Intake 2026-27 Open Evening. It was wonderful to meet you and to welcome you into our school community. Families had the chance to meet the Reception teachers and support staff, explore the classrooms and learning spaces, ask questions, and find out more about what to expect during their child's first year at Drake Primary School. We look forward to working in partnership with you as your children begin their exciting journey into Reception.

Brilliant Quizzes in Year 5 Computing



In computing, we have created Quizzes
My quiz is about 2 things: it's about
multiplication and a capital city question
Q1= What's 12x12
↳ If answer=144
say "Well done!"
↳ Else
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What could you improve?
I could make the 2nd Q
easier.



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Food

Summer Festival

Games

Music

Thursday 16th July

Performances

AS PART OF THIS YEAR'S

DAY OF WELCOME

our School of Sanctuary Council will be running a **CAKE SALE** after school.

We would be very grateful for any donations of cakes to help support the event.



PLEASE BRING IN DONATIONS INTO SCHOOL BY

12TH JUNE 2026



Thank you for your support!

The School of Sanctuary Council Team





CAKE

SALE!



Date:
Friday 12th June 2026



Time:
3:15-3:40pm



Location:
Outside Sofia's garden



All money raised will go to
City of Sanctuary UK
a charity supporting refugees
and those seeking sanctuary

