



Brilliant Builders

Pupils in Saplings have recently been exploring a wide range of unusual construction toys which have sparked their imagination and creativity. We are incredibly proud of the innovative structures they have designed and built, and are delighted to showcase one of these impressive creations on the front cover of this week's newsletter.



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Last week, as part of their History learning about childhood in the past, Year One visited the Black Country Living Museum. This open-air museum brings history to life, recreating a Victorian town with authentic shops, houses and costumed guides who share stories from the past. During the visit, pupils experienced what life would have been like in Victorian times. They explored a range of traditional shops and spoke to knowledgeable guides who worked in role, helping to deepen their understanding of daily life. The children also took part in a lesson in a Victorian schoolhouse, where they experienced the expectations and routines of children from the past.

This memorable learning experience also provided the inspiration for Puffins lovely sharing assembly on Tuesday



Black Country Museum





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Year 5 have continued exploring plant life cycles in their Sow, Grow and Farm topic. Following on from learning about asexual and sexual reproduction in plants, year 5 have planted a range of plants which each grow from a different object. They have planted strawberry plants (runners), shallots (bulbs), potatoes (tubers) and beans (seeds). We will explore how they grow and develop over the next half term.

Sow, Grow & Farm



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Great Snail Race



This week, Reception pupils enjoyed taking part in a fun African snail race. The children created a race track using tinfoil and carefully lined their snails up at the starting line. They also designed and made colourful banners to cheer their snails on.

Unfortunately, the snails were more interested in the lettuce at the beginning of the track than racing, so there is no winner yet! It seems they may need a little more practice with their racing skills—just like the children, who are busy preparing for Sports Day.



Special Books



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Special Books

Year 1 pupils have been learning about special books in their RE lessons, exploring examples such as the Bible, the Qur'an and the Torah, and discussing why these texts are important to different religions, for example because they teach important beliefs, guide how people live and are treated with great respect. They then had the opportunity to think about what makes a book special to them personally, before sharing their books with each other outside in the sunshine.



Y5 Fieldwork



This week, Year 4 enjoyed a geography field trip to Jephson Gardens, where they explored the local area and developed their fieldwork skills.

The children walked to the gardens and observed a range of natural and man-made features, identifying how the environment has been shaped by both nature and people. Pupils explored features such as plants, trees and water alongside pathways, buildings, bridges and sculptures, discussing the differences between physical and human geography.

Throughout the visit, the children worked thoughtfully and enthusiastically, using observation skills to learn more about the local area and how spaces can be used and cared for by the community.



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Kittiwakes' Assembly



Year 5 Kittiwakes recently performed a vibrant assembly based on the story of Odysseus.

Pupils brought his long and challenging journey to life, including encounters with a cyclops, magical beings and the land of the dead, before his eventual return home.

The assembly was full of drama and colour—well done to all involved.



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In Year 2 Art this week, the children continued their learning by transforming natural materials into creative pieces of artwork, building on their understanding of sculpture and form within the Art curriculum.

The session began with a short clip from *Stick Man*, followed by an exploration of the video *A Charmed Life*, set in Guatemala. Through this, the children were introduced to the cultural tradition of worry dolls and how they are used by people to share their worries, particularly in communities living near dangerous volcanoes. They learned that children tell their worries to these dolls and place them under their pillows, believing that, over time, their worries will disappear. This supported the curriculum aim of developing pupils' knowledge of art and design from different cultures and traditions.

Inspired by this example, the children used sticks and wool to design and create their own worry dolls. They carefully practised binding and wrapping techniques, developing their skills in joining materials and working in three dimensions. This linked directly to the Year 2 focus on experimenting with materials, refining techniques, and using a range of tools to create purposeful outcomes.

Throughout the session, the children demonstrated creativity, concentration and pride in their work, producing unique and thoughtful pieces while deepening their understanding of how art can communicate ideas, feelings and cultural significance.

Y2 Worry Dolls

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In English this week, Year 3 pupils have been exploring myths and legends through a collaborative storytelling activity using “Myth Dice”. Working in teams, they rolled a variety of characters, settings, creatures and challenges before combining their ideas to create their own imaginative myths.

This engaging activity promoted excellent teamwork, creativity and communication, as pupils shared ideas, listened carefully to one another and brought their imaginations together to develop unique stories. The children particularly impressed with their use of descriptive language, adventurous vocabulary and dialogue to bring their myths vividly to life.

The project also supported key Year 3 writing objectives, including planning and organising ideas, using paragraphs, expanding noun phrases, and developing characters and settings. Pupils further strengthened their speaking and listening skills by discussing ideas collaboratively and confidently presenting their finished myths to the class

Myths & Legends

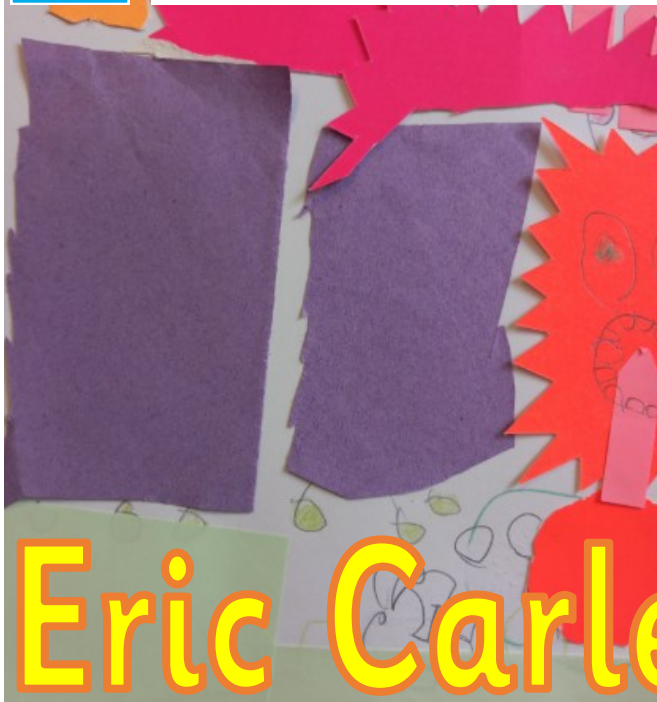


Year One have created these colourful collages inspired by the author and illustrator Eric Carle.



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Eric Carle Collages



The children read different stories by Eric Carle and studied his artistic style before making their collages. Well done!



PLACES KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) MAY HALF TERM 2026



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ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

ASK ITALIAN

2 Kids eat free 27th March - 19th April 2026

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat free Sunday - Thursday

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with 1 paying adult

BILLS

Kids eat free Mon 25th - Fri 29th May 2026

BREWDOG

Kids eat free 23rd - 31st May 2026

CAFE ROUGE

Kids Eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week

CHIQUITO

Kids eat free during all school holidays

COCONUT TREE

Kids eat free during half terms

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal purchase

FARMHOUSE INNS

Kids eat FREE from 25th - 29th May 2026

FLAMING GRILL PUBS

Kids eat FREE from 25th - 29th May 2026

FRANKIE & BENNY'S

Kids eat FREE during school holidays

FRANCO MANCIA

Kids eat FREE school holidays Mon-Thurs

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 from 25th to 29th May 2026.

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE via the App

MARCO PIERRE WHITE

Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day

PIZZA HUT

Kids Eat Free Every Day after 3pm

PREMIER INN

2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

PREZZO

Kids up to age 12 eat for £1 during half terms

PUREZZA

Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SIZZLING PUBS

Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

TESCO

Kids eat free May half term with any adult spend

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free Mon 11th - Sun 31st May (Via App)

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

TRAVELODGE

2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

TURTLE BAY

Kids eat free with every £15 adult spend via app

VILLAGE HOTELS

Kids eat free weekdays via the village app

WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

ZIZZI

Kids eat free via app during school holidays



Information, advice, and one-to-one support for families with children and young people across Warwickshire.

We can help with a wide range of family concerns, including:

- Behaviour management
- Parenting worries or concerns
- Sleep advice
- Health and wellbeing support

Telephone Support

Speak directly with a family support worker on *01926 414 144*,
select option 1, then option 2.
Available Monday- Friday 9am - 4pm

Local Drop In Sessions

Come along for advice and support at a session near you:

- Kenilworth Library, Mondays 9.30am - 11.30am
- Kingsway Children & Family Centre, Tuesdays 1pm - 3pm
- Lillington Children & Family Centre, Fridays 9.30am - 11.30am

Send Local Support Group:

SEND Help Group
The Gap Community Centre
2nd Wednesday of the month
10:00 - 12:00

Scan the QR code to view the information about
of Family Support Drop-ins available in your area



FREE

BARNARD'S

Changing childhoods.
Changing lives.

Holiday Activities Time Together

**Collage making and junk modelling with a
snack and chance to play together!**

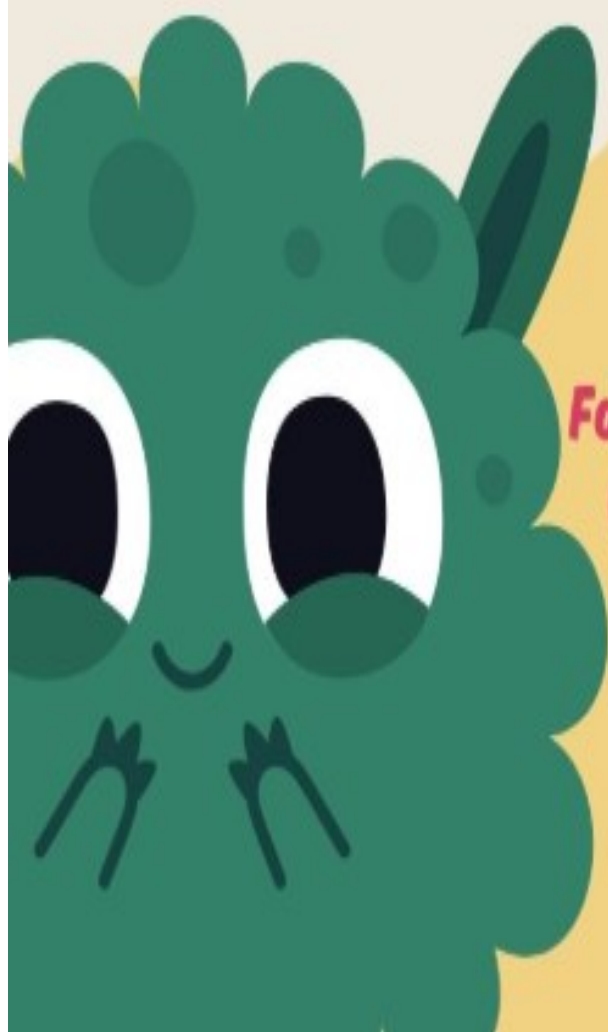
**Wednesday 27th May
10 - 11:30am & 12:30 - 2pm**

**For families with children 5-11 years
(Younger siblings are welcome!)**

Do not need to book!

DROP IN

**Lillington Children and Family Centre
3 Mason Avenue
CV32 7QE
01926 887597**





Barnardo's Warwickshire Children and Family Centres

A coordination of services for families with
children and young people aged 0-19 and up to age 25 with
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TABLE TREASURES

Join us for a fantastic tabletop sale!

What's on offer?

New and nearly new:

- Toys
- Books
- Clothing
- Equipment for children under 5

Entry: £1 for adults

FREE for children

(includes a free drink!)

Sell with us! Book in advance for sellers is needed

Table hire: £10

(Helen's number: 07703 381764)

(Set up from 11:00am)

All money raised will go towards outdoor resources

Come along, grab a bargain, and support a great cause!

We have baby play zone!



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Monday 8th June
12:30pm - 4:00pm
Lillington Children and Family Centre
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Diary Dates

**School closed for the half-term holiday from
Monday 25th May—Friday 29th May.**

Monday 1st June—school closed for staff training (INSET)

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 2nd June

Tuesday 2nd June	Y4 Starlings class assembly at 9.05am
Tuesday 2nd June	Y2 Wrens assembly at 10.15am— POSTPONED. New date Wednesday 17th June at 9.15am
Tuesday 2nd June	Y4 statutory multiplication screen—delivered to pupils all week.
Wednesday 3rd June	Flourish workshop for Y6 girls.
Thursday 4th June	Y6 residential trip to Longridge Outdoor Activity Centre.
Friday 5th June	Y6 residential trip to Longridge Outdoor Activity Centre.
Monday 8th June	Y1 statutory phonics screen—delivered to pupils all week.

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Monday 8th June	Y4 statutory multiplication screen– week 2 of delivery to
Tuesday 9th June	Y4 Wagtails class assembly at 9.05am
Tuesday 9th June	Y2 Swallows class assembly at 10.15am.
Tuesday 16th June	Y3 Doves class assembly at 9.05am
Tuesday 16th June	YR Goldfinches class assembly at 10.15am.
Tuesday 16th June	Instrumental concert at 2.30pm.
Wednesday 17th June	New date—Y2 Wrens assembly at 9.15am.
Wednesday 17th June	Y4/5 trip to School Taskmaster event at Warwick Arts' Centre.
Tuesday 23rd June	Y3 Herons class assembly at 9.05am
Tuesday 23rd June	Y1/2 Sport's Day, 10.00—11.15am. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend.
Tuesday 23rd June	YR Robins class assembly at 10.15am
Wednesday 24th June	Y3/4 Sport's Day, 10.00—11.15am. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend.
Wednesday 24th June	Y4 Starlings Upbeat concert at 2.20pm.
Thursday 25th June	Y4 Wagtails Upbeat concert at 2.30pm.

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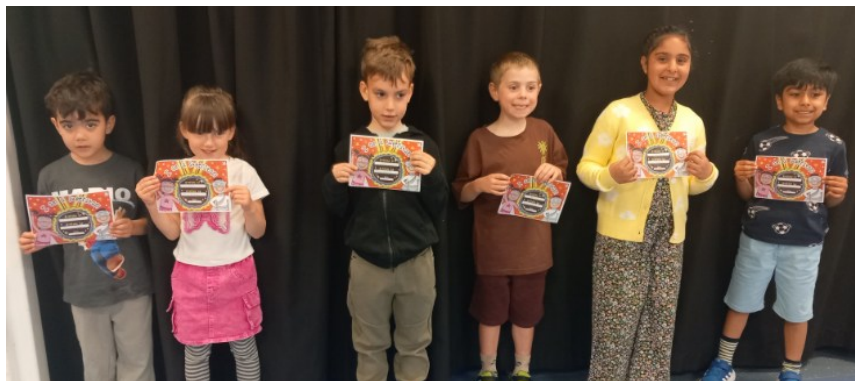
Friday 26th June	YR Sport's Day, 10.00—11.15am. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend.
Friday 26th June	Y5/6 Sport's Day, 1.15—2.30pm. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend.
Friday 26th June	MUFTI (non-uniform) day—please make a donation to School Fund via Parent Pay if your child chooses to wear their own choice of clothes.
Wednesday 1st July	Glow in the Dark Dodgeball event—a group of Y6 pupils attending.
Monday 6th July	End of year reports sent out to parents/carers.
Wednesday 8th July	Changeover Day—pupils move up to spend the day with their new class teacher.
Thursday 16th July	Y3 Doves swimming (to replace the lesson missed due to the trip to Coventry Cathedral.)
Wednesday 15th July	Leavers' show and awards ceremony for Y6 Moorhens. Estimated running time 9.30—11.30am

Diary Dates

Academic year 2026/27 begins on Wednesday 2nd September



Sydenham Superstars



YR and Key Stage One



Key Stage Two