



# Ravensworth Terrace Primary School

## @ The School Gate

RTPS Weekly e-News **Week 28**

23.4.2026

# Summer Fun



It has been lovely to welcome the children back after their Easter break and the weather has helped give us a wonderful start to the summer term. This is always a busy term with trips, visitors and lots more sporting opportunities to enrich the children's experiences. We have just finalised some final few dates and you should have received an updated '*Dates for Families*' this afternoon. In the meantime, we hope you enjoy catching up with everything that has gone on across school in this first week back.

# Reception

This half term, we are learning about farms. We have loved exploring our farm shop role play area and pretending to be customers. We have also been applying our phonic skills to chunk longer farm animal words like 'chicken' when reading and spelling. We have even been learning to sign the animals and letters in the song 'Old MacDonald had a farm.' We are all very excited about our upcoming farm trip!



goat



goat



Chicken



EE-I-EE-I-O

# Year 1

This week, we were excited to get out in the sunshine for our PE lesson. We enjoyed our first lesson on fielding and striking and worked well with our partners and in teams. We learned new skills to help us to become better at catching.



# Year 2

Year 2 have recently completed their music unit, I Want to Play in a Band, which had a rock music focus. As part of the unit, the children listened to and appraised a range of rock classics, including “Smoke on the Water.” Inspired by what he had learned, one of our very talented Year 2 pupils taught himself to play the song on his electric guitar. He even brought his guitar into school to perform for his classmates. The performance was fantastic, and Year 2 were extremely impressed and very proud of their friend!



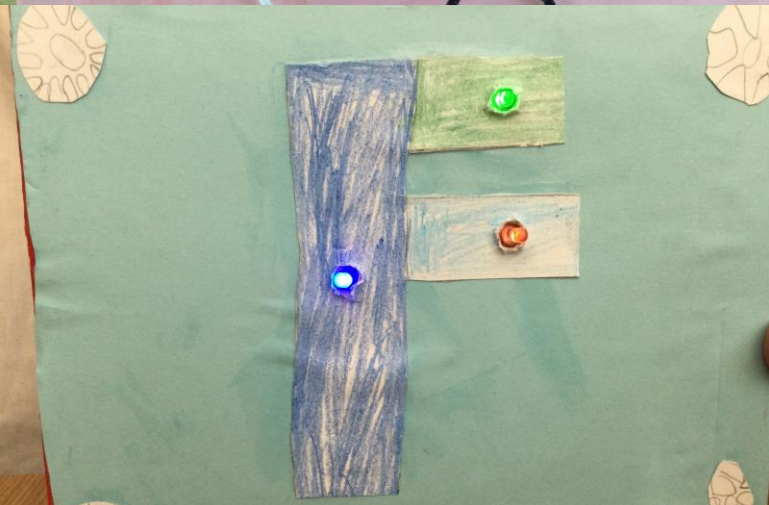
# Year 3 News

Year 3 have been exploring poetry by Joseph Coelho. We listened to his top tips on how to recite poetry, helping us to think about expression, volume and performance. The children then learned some of his poems and practised performing them in pairs before sharing their performances with the whole class. It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow and their enthusiasm for poetry shine!



# Year 4

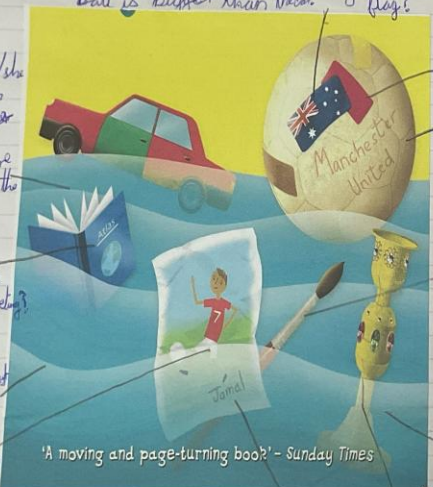
During DT last term, we were looking at light-up signs and how to make our own using our knowledge of circuits from our electricity topic. Using shoeboxes, we made our own light box designs and then created circuits with LED lights to illuminate our letters. We had fun designing our boxes to meet a design criteria and then using the components to build the circuits.



# Year 5

This week, Year 5 began their new class text, *Boy Overboard* by Morris Gleitzman. We made inferences about the story by carefully studying the front cover and reading the blurb. This helped us to predict what the book might be about, and we are excited to discover the adventures that lie ahead.

Is that a real car or is it a toy car because the ball is bigger than them? Why is there a Australian flag? Does he like football? Is he from Manchester? Is there a paint brush because they like painting? What is that for? Does he like travelling? Are they lost in the sea? Who is he? Does he like romatics? Is his name Jamal? Is he/she from a wealthy family?



'A moving and page-turning book!' - Sunday Times

Has anyone in Jamal or Bibi's family been to Australia?

Jamal and Bibi

Where will the pirates be located?

Who are Jamal and Bibi?

What do they have to do to get to where are they?

What will their journey look like?

Has there been a war?

Why are there landmines?

Will they survive?

Who are the assassins?

Why do they want to go to Australia?

Why do they have to face assassins?

Why is everything in the sea?

What will they have to do to cross the ocean?

Why are assassins painting to kill them?

How they get across the sea? This lake plan to Australia?

A story of adventure, ball control and hope

Jamal and Bibi have a dream. To lead Australia to football glory in the next World Cup. But first they must face landmines, pirates, storms and assassins. Can Jamal and his family survive their incredible journey and get to Australia?

Sometimes, to save the people you love, you have to go overboard.

'Morris Gleitzman has a rare gift for writing very funny stories and an even rarer gift of wrapping very serious stories inside them' - Guardian

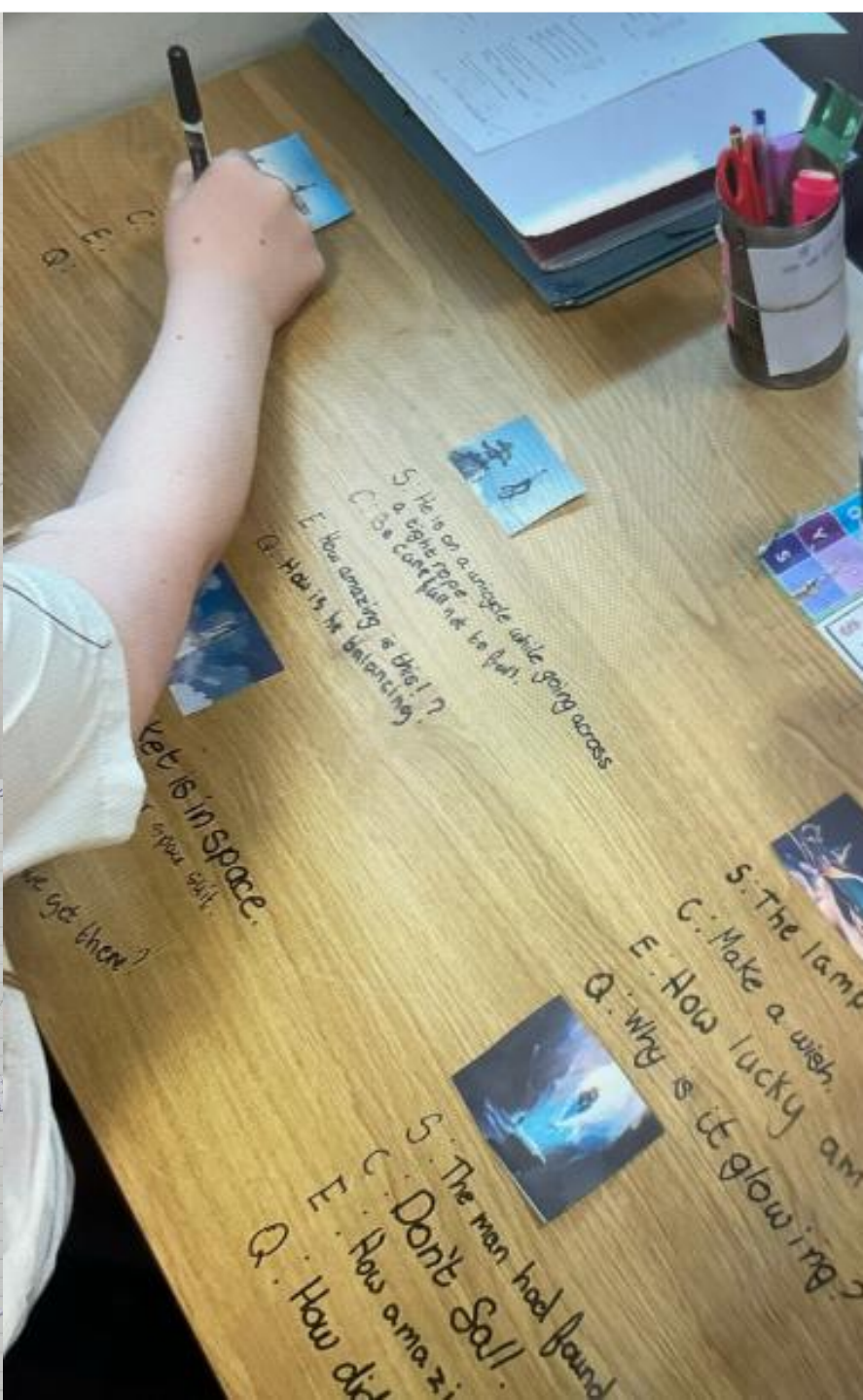
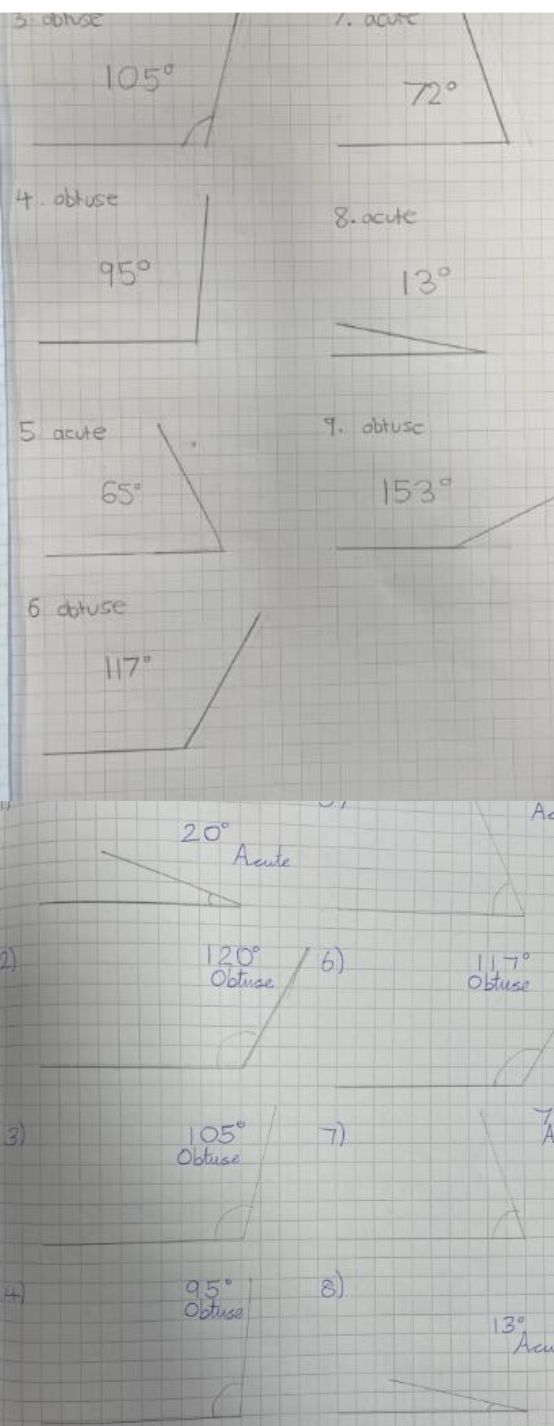
'Readers can't get enough of him' - Independent

cover illustration by Moira Maman

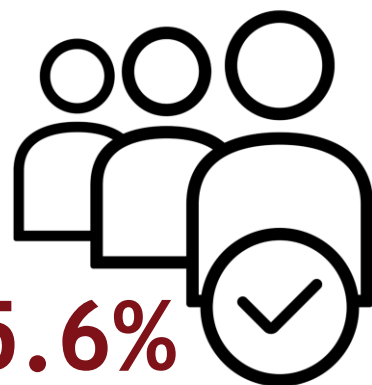
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# Year 6

This week in maths, Year 6 have been developing their understanding of angles by learning how to accurately measure and draw them using protractors. They have practised positioning the protractor correctly, reading scales carefully, and drawing angles to given degrees. We have also started our SATs revision sessions. SATs begin on Monday 11th May.



# Attendance



**95.6%**  
Whole school

|              |   |             |
|--------------|---|-------------|
| <b>Rec A</b> | <b>Miss Dorner</b>                        | <b>95.7</b> |
| <b>Rec B</b> | <b>Miss Phazey</b>                        | <b>95.9</b> |
| <b>1A</b>    | <b>Mrs Johnson</b>                        | <b>94.6</b> |
| <b>1B</b>    | <b>Mrs Linsley</b>                        | <b>95.4</b> |
| <b>2A</b>    | <b>Mrs Clelland &amp; Mrs Kirk</b>        | <b>94.7</b> |
| <b>2B</b>    | <b>Mrs Mitchinson</b>                     | <b>95.6</b> |
| <b>3A</b>    | <b>Mrs Shaw</b>                           | <b>96.8</b> |
| <b>3B</b>    | <b>Ms Attwood &amp; Miss Stafford</b>     | <b>96.7</b> |
| <b>4A</b>    | <b>Mrs Beard</b>                          | <b>94.9</b> |
| <b>4B</b>    | <b>Miss Rooney</b>                        | <b>96.6</b> |
| <b>5A</b>    | <b>Mrs Kane &amp; Mrs Clewes</b>          | <b>95.7</b> |
| <b>5B</b>    | <b>Mrs Grieves &amp; Miss Shepherdson</b> | <b>95.1</b> |
| <b>6A</b>    | <b>Mr Catton</b>                          | <b>94.9</b> |
| <b>6B</b>    | <b>Miss Iredale</b>                       | <b>96.2</b> |

**Ready | Respectful | Safe**

# House Points

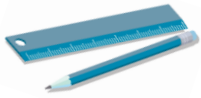


Millennium  
Bridge

25758



23953



Queen  
Elizabeth II

24003



Swing Bridge

20179



Tyne Bridge

Watch this short video to find out more about our reward systems

CLICK HERE



# Next is Week 29



## PE



|     |         |
|-----|---------|
| Mon | Y2      |
| Tue | Y4      |
| Wed | Rec     |
| Thu | Y3 & Y6 |
| Fri | Y1 & Y5 |



## Y5 Swimming *every Tuesday*

### Mon

Basketball, Artventurers  
& Gymnastics

### Tue

Forest School & Football

### Wed

Multisport, Lego &  
Artventurers

### Thu

Forest School & Football



## Clubs



A colorful banner for the school menu. It features the text 'School menu' in large, stylized letters. To the right are cartoon characters of a carrot with glasses and a lemon with eyes. In the bottom right corner, there is a blue button with the text 'WEEK 2' circled in red, with a red arrow pointing to it. Logos for 'GATESHEAD SCHOOL CATERING' and 'Gateshead Council' are also present.

Click on Week 2 for next week's menu

# Coming soon at RTPS



**Ravensworth** Key Dates  
Terrace Primary School



*Keeping families informed*

A copy of 'Dates for Families' was sent home today; ideal for sticking on the fridge. Click on the image above for a digital version if you're out and about.

## Y3/4 Orienteering

@ Grace College for a selected team

27<sup>th</sup> April 2026



## Reception Trip to...



**HALL HILL FARM**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May





# Y3/4 Mini Tennis

5<sup>th</sup> May 2026

@ Cardinal Hume



Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026



**Go Run For Fun**  
for Year Six at Saltwell Park

