



North Star 265 Term 5 2026 Week 3 & 4

Notes from our Head:



Dear Parents/Carers,

I want to start this week by celebrating our Year 6 pupils. Last week they participated in SATs assessments and they approached them with hard work, determination and positivity. They were fantastic and we are really proud of them, but more importantly they can be really proud of themselves and the effort they made.

Over the next few weeks we will be supporting our Year 4 pupils as they engage in the multiplication tables check. They will have two weeks practice on the online portal before sitting the check in the new term. Parents, please do reassure them that there is nothing to worry about and there is no set pass mark for this.

We also need to let you know about some changes in staffing for next term. Mr Keeping has moved down to primary to teach Conker class. He will be with them for the rest of the year. He is already settling in and enjoying the class. This planned change will hopefully support the class over the rest of the year and I know Mr Keeping already has plans for some exciting changes. I know the parents of the class will welcome him.

This means that Chestnut class will have a new class teacher for the rest of the year. We have already identified a teacher who will join the class after the half term. Mr Baird will stay with the group as a key adult.

Finally, after what has seemed a really short term, we are now coming into the last week of term. Every term we hold a review meeting with parents so if your class teacher has not yet arranged this they will be in touch this week to meet with you. As well as this we will be having our primary trip to Ninja Warrior and our secondary reward trip to Laser Quest.

Class News



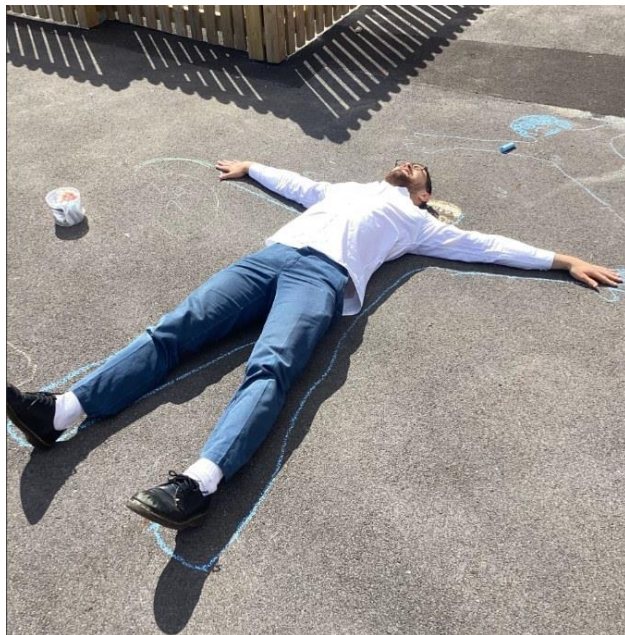
Acorns

In Week 3 Acorn class have enjoyed learning outside the classroom with Mr Yapp, investigating the leaves and bark we could find. We also enjoyed using the ropes. We have been writing recounts about a day in the life as a superhero and had some fantastic ideas!



Conkers

What an amazing first week I've had teaching Conker Class! The children have settled in brilliantly and it has been lovely getting to know them all. This week, we designed our own climbing frames and began writing persuasive letters to convince Mr Skelton that we should have one at school. In Maths, we have gone measuring mad, focusing on centimetres and metres. I am so proud of the enthusiasm Conker class have shown already!





Maple

In Maple this week we are super proud of our Year 6s who have completed their SATs - well done! We have also been learning division in maths, turning the soil over ready for planting at the allotment, and enjoying healthy fruit skewers in cooking!

In Maple last week we have been writing recounts in English, practising written methods of multiplication, and we have been watering the meadow at the allotment. We also enjoyed making salmon rice bowls in cooking!





Chestnut

Last week Chestnut Class had a short but busy week, packing it full of great learning! We have been designing and making our own water filters, exploring how they can clean water like a treatment plant. In Maths, we have been focusing on identifying different types of angles, and in cooking we made a delicious mac and cheese that everyone enjoyed. This week Conkers class have been working on their comprehension skills.

Oak

Oak class has been working on angles and lines of symmetry in maths. On Wednesday we made caramel muffins in Food Tech which might need a bit of perfecting! In forest school the students have started making bug hotels.

Last week, in maths Oak class has been learning about different kinds of shapes such as quadrilaterals and triangles. In Computing we have been learning about how to edit a document using a word processor. Lastly, in line with our Rivers topic in Science, we have been planning how to make a water filter in D&T. For that purpose, we would like to ask if your child can bring a big plastic lemonade (e.g. 1.5 litre) bottle or similar (see picture) to school on Monday. Your support is much appreciated.

