



North Star 265, Term 6, 2026, Week 4

Notes from our Head:



Dear Parents/Carers,

Let me start by thanking for your support last week during the Red Alert weather warning for heat, which meant we needed to close the school on Wednesday and Thursday. Thanks also to staff who sent out remote learning and kept in touch with parents and families. Thankfully, the weather has now calmed down a bit.

With the heat reducing back down to normal levels we will be returning to our usual expectations around uniform this week. We will continue to monitor and let you know if we need to take any actions. As it is summer term the advice around ensuring your child has a hat, a water bottle and sun cream remains in place.

Understandably, as it was a short week last week we only have a few updates for you this week from classes, but we do have news on some events happening before the end of term.

Our Sports day will be held for primary and secondary students on Wednesday 8th July. Secondary students will be taking part in events in the morning and parents are invited to attend from 10-11am. Primary students will be taking part in events in the afternoon and parents are invited to attend from 2-3pm for that too. Students will be enjoying ice cream provided by our new caterer.

We will be having a Primary reward trip to Diggerland on Thursday 9th July and a final reward trip to Crealy on Thursday 16th July.

Finally we will be having our end of year Celebration Assembly on Friday 17th July at 11am to which all parents and carers are invited.

Thank you to the parents who attended our tasting menu from our new caterer on Tuesday. You were all very positive about the food on offer and this will be a great improvement to our school offer with us being able to offer more choice and having more control over the food offered to students. Parents were asked to provide feedback on the food and this will help us to shape the menu offer in September.

Class News



Conkers

We've had a very short week in Conker Class this week!

On Monday, we spent the day completing some Maths assessment tasks, and it was wonderful to see the children showing off all the learning and progress they have made this year.

Some of the children were also lucky enough to attend the Wild Place Project on Tuesday. They were exceptionally well behaved and represented Conker Class brilliantly. We enjoyed learning about lots of different animals and even managed to spot an elusive crocodile having a nap at the bottom of its enclosure!

I hope everyone is staying cool (or as cool as possible!) at home and enjoying the activities that have been sent home. The cool dens, ice challenges and movie drawings all sound like great fun, and Mr Keeping will be having a go at them too!

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school this week and are hoping for some slightly cooler weather. Have a lovely weekend, everyone!





Maple

It's been a scorching week in Maple Class, and we would like to thank families for their understanding as the school closed for two days due to the severe heat warning. Despite the high temperatures, we have still enjoyed another exciting week of learning. In English, we have been developing our understanding of Ancient Egyptian culture by learning about hieroglyphics and discovering how they were used for communication. We even had a go at writing our own names using these creative symbols!

In Maths, we began our statistics investigation by planning our projects and collecting data. Over the next week, we will present our findings using charts and graphs, and use the information we have gathered to answer questions and draw conclusions. During Project time, we explored the different seasons of Ancient Egyptian farming and used watercolours to create beautiful artwork to showcase our learning.

Some of our pupils also enjoyed another reward trip this week to The Wild Place. The children loved seeing the wide variety of animals and were especially pleased to cool down with an ice cream in the sunshine. Well done to all of our pupils for managing the heat so sensibly and continuing to work hard. We are looking forward to being back in school for another full week of learning and fun!

Write Your Name in Hieroglyphics

Use the hieroglyphics on the next page to write your name.

1. To start with, sound out your name with all the sounds you hear from the beginning to the end.
2. Find each letter of your name from the hieroglyphics guide sheet.
3. Write the letters in beautiful handwriting on your name frame.

My name is...



Statistics Investigation Planning Sheet

Tallying, like any planning & statistics investigation, has a question that will help us learn something useful about our class, school or community.

Step 1: Choose a Meaningful Question

A good statistics question can be answered by lots of people, gives different answers, takes on many interesting values, can be asked in a clear or open way.

Examples: What is the most popular school lunch? How do children travel to school? What is the favourite playground activity?

My Investigation Question

What are your favourite fruits?

Why is this question important?

It is important because many people have a wide range of favourite fruits.

Who Will Ask?

Teacher & students

How Will I Collect My Data?

by tally sheet

How Will I Present My Data?

a pictograph / bar chart

Tally Chart Templates

what's your favourite fruit?

Item	Tally	Total
Apple		4
Banana		4
Orange		4
Watermelon		4
Strawberry		4
Blueberry		4
Pineapple		4

Item	Tally	Total
Shrimp		4
Salmon		4
Turkey		4
Beef		4
Pork		4
Chicken		4
Vegetarian		4

Item	Tally	Total

