

# Monthly Newsletter

June 2026



## Proud moments all around!

It's hard to believe how quickly this term is flying by! We are incredibly proud of all that the children have achieved so far and the positive attitude they have shown towards their learning.

Over the past few weeks, many of our pupils have taken part in important assessments, including the Key Stage 2 SATs, the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check, and the Year 4 Multiplication Check. The children have worked hard and approached these with great determination—well done to them all!

In this newsletter, we're excited to share some of the highlights from our Design and Technology learning this term, along with some key dates to help you prepare as we head towards the end of the school year.

As always, thank you for your continued support.



## Flying High in Larks!

As part of their exciting Design and Technology project, Larks children have been designing their very own diamond kites. The Year 1 children used the plans they created to help bring their ideas to life. They went on to build their own kite frames, attached their designs and frames together and finally test them out.

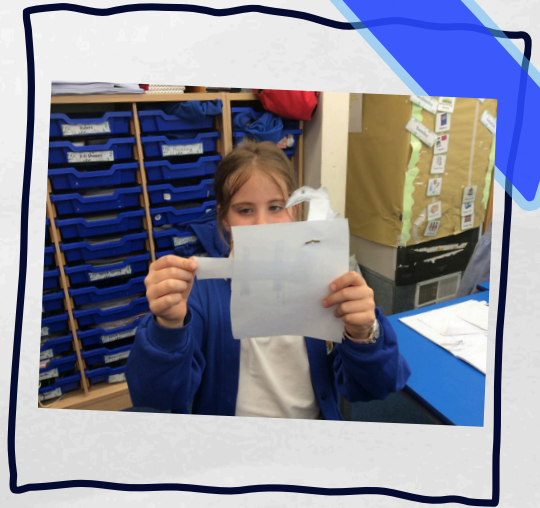
Mrs Masson and Mrs Swain were very impressed with their creativity and effort through this topic — well done, Larks!



# Robins seaside creations!

In Design and Technology, Robins have been exploring the seaside theme as part of their 'Moving Pictures' unit. They used their sketches to help design a moving picture. They worked incredibly hard to make prototypes, testing their ideas and experimenting with different moving parts to see what worked best.

Throughout the project, the children showed great perseverance and teamwork, supporting each other and developing their designs with creativity and determination.



## Mechanisms in motion

Owls Class have been making Moving Cam Toys as part of their Design and Technology unit. Throughout the project, they explored mechanisms, practised making cams and followers, carried out customer research, and used their findings to inspire their designs—before finally building the toys! Every single one worked brilliantly, and the creativity on display was fantastic.

Mrs Lockwood was very proud of the final products created!



## Swans Soar with Batik Brilliance!

For their final Design and Technology unit, Swans Class have been busy designing, creating and evaluating their batik cushion cover designs. The children got to grips with the hot wax and tjanting tools and applying it to practice pieces of fabric. The children did a great job at mastering a very difficult skill. They went on to create their final animal designs and make their cushion covers.

Well done Swans, you are the creative textile designers of the future!





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## Dates for your Diary SUMMER TERM 2026

Friday 19th June	Swimming begins for Owls and Swans Classes
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	3.30pm Y5/6 Quad Kids Athletics - West Suffolk Track
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School and Class Photos
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	3.30pm PTFA Summer Fete
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	9.30-11.30am New Reception Pupils Stay 'n' Play Session 2.30pm Robins Class Collective Worship - families invited
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	5pm New Reception Pupils Parents Meeting
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Larks and Robins school trip to Jimmy's farm 2pm Owls/Swans Play Performance
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm Owls/Swans Play Performance
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30-11,30am New Reception Pupils Stay n' Play Session 2.30pm Larks Class Collective Worship - families invited
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Crucial Crew School Trip School reports sent home
13th-14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 transition days to Secondary schools
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	New class move up morning 9.30-12.30pm New Reception Pupils Stay 'n' Play and lunch
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Owls Class Collective Worship - families invited Summer Sports Afternoon
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am Y6 Leavers Service
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	10am Rocksteady Concert <b>Last day of term</b>
1st-2 <sup>nd</sup> September	P D days - staff only
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	<b>First day of term</b>

\*Dates may be subject to change

**BEST WISHES MISS TYLER, HEAD OF SCHOOL**