

WETHERBUZZ

2018/19 | Spring Term | Week 20



WEEK 20: Monday 25th February — Sunday 3rd March 2019

MONDAY

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- **Year 7** Trip to Bletchley Park – all day
- Games for **Year 3 and 4** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 6** – 1:30-4pm
- U11 Franchise Rugby Round 5 (H) – 2:15pm
- U11 A – D vs. St Anthony's (H) – 2:30pm
- Tour Choir – 4-5pm
- Montagu Square AGM – 6pm

Monday Clubs

- Morning Mental Maths – 7:45-8:20am
- Morning Sports – 7:45-8:45am
- Tour Choir – 4-5pm
- Creative Writing – 4-5pm
- Debating – 4-5pm
- Drawing – 4-5pm
- Indoor Football – 4-5pm
- Latin – Level 3 – 4-5pm
- Lego – 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 5-6pm
- Table Tennis – 5-6pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

TUESDAY

- Townsend-Warner History Prize Paper 2 – 9-11am
- Games for **Year 6** – 9-11:30am
- Swimming for **5B, 5K and 5S** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Years 3 and 4** – 1:30-4pm
- U9 Franchise Rugby Round 6 (H) – 2:15pm
- U9 A – D vs. Arnold House (H) – 2:30pm
- Open Tour Choir Rehearsal (Tour Choir only, no Senior Choir) – 4-6pm
- Ski Team Practice at Hemel Hempstead – 5-7pm (leaving at 3:45pm)
- 3P, 4A and 4L Parents' Evening – 5-8pm

Tuesday Clubs

- Morning Mental Maths – 7:45-8:20am
- Running – 7:45-8:30am
- Wetherby Voices – 8-9am
- Art & Crafts – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Latin – Level 3 – 4-5pm
- Wetherby Choir – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 5-6pm
- Table Tennis – 5-6pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

WEDNESDAY

- Games for **Year 3 and 4** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 1:30-4pm
- 1st & 3rd XIII vs. St Anthony's (A) – 2:30pm
- U12 A & B vs. Eaton House The Manor (H) – 2:30pm
- 2nd XIII vs. Arnold House (H) – 2.30pm

Wednesday Clubs

- Drawing – 7:45-8:20am
- Swimming – Upper School Swim Squad A&B – 7:30-8:20am
- Elite Chess – 8-9am
- Cardboard Engineering – 4-5pm
- Code Club – Lower School – 4-5pm
- Detectives – 4-5pm
- General Knowledge Quiz Club – 4-5pm
- Latin – Level 3 – 4-5pm
- Maths Games and Puzzles – 4-5pm
- Chelsea Quavers – 4-5pm
- Reasoning – 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Swimming – Year 4 – 4:30-5:15pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

THURSDAY

- WPS Second Hand Uniform Sale – 8:15-9am
- PTA Meeting in the Dining Hall – 9am
- PTA Bake Sale – 2-4pm
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 5** – 1:30-4pm
- U10 Franchise Rugby Round 6 (H) – 2:15pm
- U10 A - D vs. The Hall (H) – 2:30pm
- School Management Meeting – 4:30pm
- U12 & U13 London Swim League Finals – 4:30pm
- 4M and 4S Parents' Evening – 5-8pm

Thursday Clubs

- Morning Mental Maths – 7:45-8:20am
- Swimming – School Swim Squad – 7:30-8:20am
- Rowing – 8-9am
- Bowed Strings – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Code Club – Upper School – 4-5pm
- Maths Revision – 4-5pm
- Little House of Science Club – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

FRIDAY

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Whole School Assembly at the Church of the Annunciation – 8:30am
- **THIS EVENT WILL BE STREAMED LIVE ON INSTAGRAM** 
- Games for **Year 5** – 9:15-11:45am
- Music Tour departs – 8:30am

Friday Clubs

- Whole School Clubs – 2:15-4pm

SATURDAY

- Music Tour
- Thomas's Clapham U11 and U13 Vlls Tournaments (A) – am
- U13 Pre-Season Cricket Training (Invite only) - 1-3pm

SUNDAY

- Music Tour

From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

I have said before that I always consider the views of the Wetherby parent body to be a reliable barometer of the relative strengths or weaknesses of the UK and World economies. It's always interesting to hear your opinions and commentary and, if you'll excuse me from swelling anyone's head too much, if you guys are at the forefront of the issues facing the world at this time, we are in pretty safe hands.

If Wetherby parents can give a view on those areas, I would say that the Sainsbury's delivery man has to be considered the oracle on kitchen design. Therefore *****Baker family interior design showing off alert*****, I was delighted to hear last night when the Sainsbury's guy came to deliver (7-8pm seemed a sensible slot to me, and was free... though turned out booking on Valentine's night was perhaps an oversight...) that he pronounced, "You've really opened up the space nicely here." It's always good to hear nice things about ourselves, particularly on our heavily invested kitchens, and especially from someone who has seen them aplenty!



September 2018



February 2019

Such a fantastic evening on Wednesday, with the true spirit of the Wetherby community on display. Thank you to all staff and parents who attended, 'Come Learn With Us!' As one parent said to me as he left, "Makes you want to come back to school." I agree and it's part of our mantra here: to be not only the school we are glad to send our children to, but one we would have loved to have been schooled in ourselves. This drives us every day and if there is ever any occasion we can improve and enhance a boy's experience at Wetherby, we will embrace that opportunity enthusiastically.

So, from one PTA event to another, you should now have received an email invitation to the Headmaster's Ball on Friday May 10th at the Landmark Hotel. This is always a brilliantly riotous celebration of all things Wetherby and 2019 promises to be no different. After the email on Monday, we have just over 200 parents and staff attending the event, which is a remarkable uptake in just one week. We have set an initial cap of 240 on attendance but may well be able to stretch this a little to make sure that all those who want to come, can come, to what will be the social event of the year for sure. If you have not received the email, please check your 'junk' mailboxes or email our PTA at pta@wetherbyprep.co.uk to let our committee know that you would like to attend.

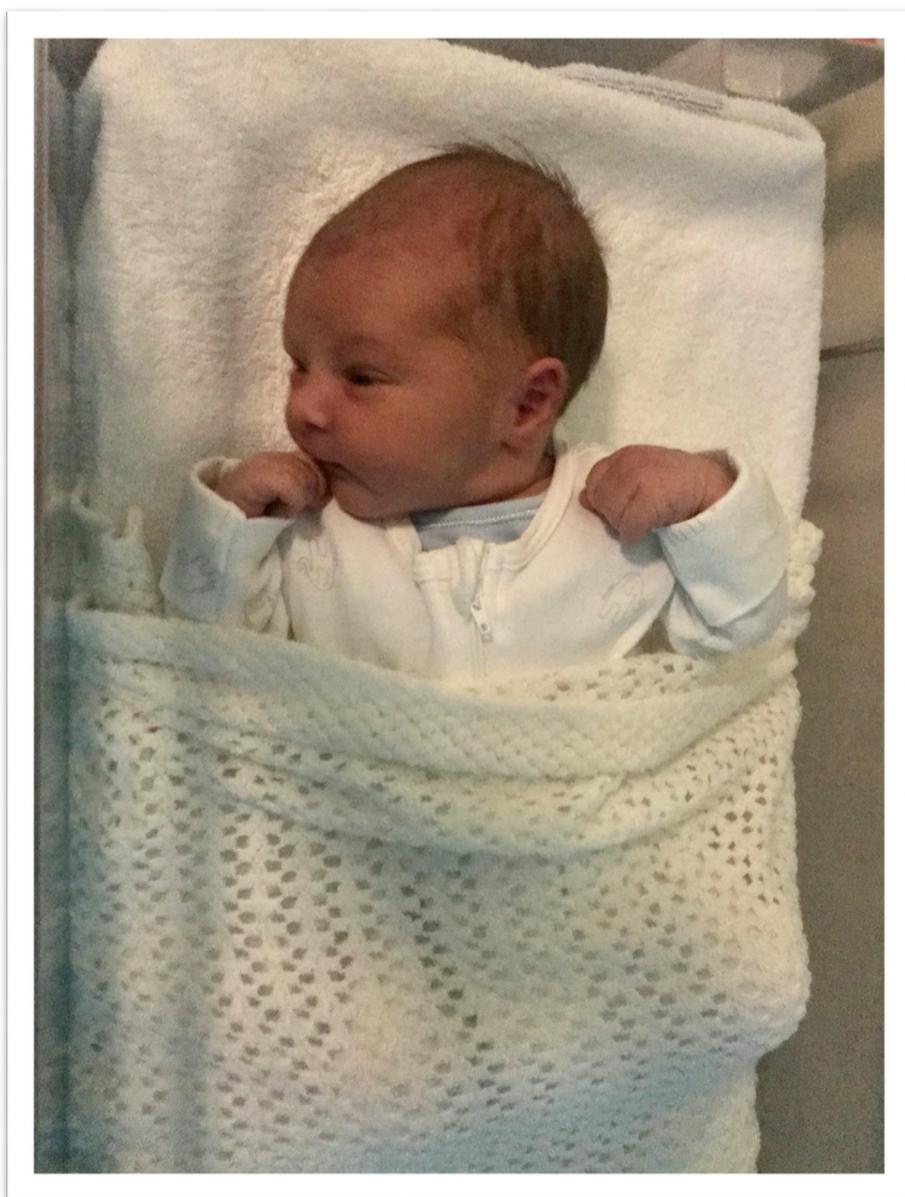
As with all these things, the ticket price covers what is a 'cost neutral' event; all of the funds we raise for our charities come from the auction. We have always had an incredibly eclectic list of prizes that create a real buzz of excitement in the room and in the build up to the event. If you would like to offer any auction prize, please do email me direct at nick.baker@wetherbyprep.co.uk as I would be delighted to hear from you. Wetherby Prep is a unique institution; I know our charity auction list will be just as special.

Have a great half term!

Nick Baker

Staff News

Harry Jenne arrived Wednesday morning weighing 7lb10oz.



From the Senior Mistress

Mrs Furnell writes...

Wetherby Pencil Case

Members of the Sixth Form at Wetherby Senior School have set up a business with guidance from the "Young Enterprise" programme. They noticed that the boys at the Prep School don't yet have a branded pencil case and are hoping to sell these after half term. More details coming soon and if you have any questions regarding the pencil cases, please consult the flyer attached to the Wetherbuzz.

Wetherby iPhone Cover

We are delighted to announce that the Wetherby iPhone covers have arrived and they look brilliant! Our Wetherby teachers have been modelling the new cases in the advertising campaign put forward by the boys in School Council. The iPhone covers will be available to purchase after half term from reception so snap yours up, quick!

The cases cost £15 and School Council are hoping to raise money for charity by selling them. They are available for iPhone 6, 7, 8 and X models. The design is unique as it was created by School Council and encourages all to be part of #teamwetherby. Another exclusive feature of the case is that it can stick to any screen which makes it handy for long car/plane journeys...

Any questions, please speak to a member of School Council or contact Mrs Furnell directly.



Notices

Reading With Relatives

NEW INITIATIVE

We cordially invite any family member to choose an extract from their favourite children's book to read to their son's form during a form time of their choice on Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th March. World Book Week is an amazing opportunity to showcase your reading prowess and literary knowledge to an enraptured audience, or simply enjoy informing younger generations about books which really captured your imagination. **Please contact your son's form tutor if interested.** We look forward to seeing you then, thanks in advance!

Touch-typing

Mr Bayes writes...

I spoke with a number of you on parents' evening about your son's progress with touch-typing this term. Touch typing is such an important life skill. Learning to be a proficient touch-typer will save your son hundreds and hundreds of hours as he moves into his senior school and eventually to university.

To confirm, all boys have access to the school's typing club online resource found at www.wetherbyprep.typingclub.com. Their account details and passwords are stored in their homework diaries.

Some of you have been asking about intensive touch-typing courses, which are an excellent tool to improve accuracy, speed and teach good habits.

Naomi Martin touch typing is a Fulham based typing school who has taught a number of Wetherby boys and have very good results.

Any Wetherby parents booking courses will receive a 10% discount on the course.

The contact is naomi@nmtouchtyping.co.uk at www.nmtouchtyping.co.uk

Happy touch typing !

Regards,

Dean Bayes



MORE HOUSE
SCHOOL
KNIGHTSBRIDGE

warmly invites the pupils of

WETHERBY SCHOOL

to our

YEAR 7 AND 8 SOCIAL

on

FRIDAY 29TH MARCH

5.00 - 7.00PM

at

MORE HOUSE SCHOOL

22-24 PONT STREET
LONDON, SW1X 0AA



There will be food, ice-breaker games & refreshments.
More House staff will be supervising the event.

Should you have any questions please contact Sally Brown,
directorofpastoralcaremhs@morehousemail.org.uk



Kindness Cup



The winner this week is **Louis (4A)**

I had the pleasure of sitting in on Louis' lesson with Miss Ainsworth and he was so incredibly polite and hardworking. After the session, he even offered to carry Miss Ainsworth's box up to her room. Such a lovely, kind and well-mannered boy! **Mrs Furnell**

Other notable 'Acts of Kindness'

♦ **Rudy (8B)**

Rudy was incredibly helpful this week and lent a hand laminating all the housepoint certificates on Thursday as it was a bumper week! Thank you, Rudy. **Mrs Furnell**

♦ **Alexander (6L), Leonardo (6L) and Joshua (6T)**

All three have been really helpful to me after I fractured my finger, especially adapting our game at break to let me play. **Innes (6L)**

◆ **Casper (5S)**

In Art yesterday, 5S were making some clay models. Unfortunately, Taymour was away when they made them so Casper, very kindly, gave him his! **Taymour (5S)**

◆ **Jackson (7W)**

He went out of his way to help me carry things to the lab. This was really helpful and kind. **Mrs Brookes**

◆ **Shivam (6L)**

At home time Shiv overheard Mrs Donley asking if I knew where Lachlan was. He immediately said, ' Yes, I know where he is, he will be here in 2 minutes, he is just getting his things from locker.' This may sound small but at a very busy home time, little things like this make all the difference! **Mrs Brookes**

◆ **Omar (5K)**

At the end of the Art lesson this week, Omar stayed behind (without being asked) and tucked in any untucked chairs and picked up lots of things that had fallen on the floor. As soon as he was done he quickly left the classroom, not expecting anything in return and generally just wanted to help out. Such a kind boy! **Miss Clifford**



Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is Caden in 7W. New to our school, Caden has made such a positive impression on everyone, helping others where he can, particularly in Art lessons, in which he has been more than happy to share ideas and techniques. Well done, Caden!



Sportsman of the Week

This week's Sportsman of the Week is Adrian in 6T. Adrian loves his rugby and has proven himself to be great on the field, with an ability to advance play through controlled aggression. His promotion from a franchise team augurs well for this promising player. Well done, Adrian!



Class-Achievement

Miss Saddington's Year 7 Maths

Charities

Come Learn with Us

Miss Martin writes...

On Wednesday night we held our first 'Come Learn with Us...' The WPS teachers showcased their talents in the classroom for the parents all in aid of our school charities. 4A turned into an art studio, where parents were drawing animal skulls and making painted clocks – there was some serious talent! In science, parents were looking at their cheek cells under microscopes. The parents got into the spirit of fencing and table tennis and enjoyed quizzes and puzzles in Maths, English and Humanities. The highlight of the evening has to be the 'whole school' song in Mr Baker's Assembly – all learnt in Mr Brawn and Miss Orpwood's music lessons.

Huge thanks to all parents that came along to this brilliant evening!

If you would like to donate towards our school charities – please visit <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/displayCharityCampaignPage.action?charityCampaignUrl=wetherbyprecomelearnwithus>



English Department

Figurative TOP 5

#1

"A forceful wind blew through the dark, dripping alleyways of London like a ferocious bull, stampeding towards a flimsy, wooden gate, sending cans of coke and trash, flying like mini fighter jets circling around drunk men shouting on polluted streets."

Leonardo 6L

"Crowds swarmed heedlessly, disappearing into underground tunnels, to be transported to overcrowded offices where they slaved for the jewel."

Michele 6J

"The miraculous voices fluttered through my mind like a skilful skater."

John, Y5

"The balloon danced across the rainbow where the colours stood up proud, towering over the land".

Thomas, Y4

"As the sun shone brightly onto the balloon, it reflected a beautiful rainbow in the cerulean sea beneath fluffy white clouds".

Chase, Y4

MATHS CHALLENGES!



LOWER SCHOOL BRAINIACS

Bear 4M
Daniil
Laith
Taymour
Ilai
Saverio

UPPER SCHOOL BRAINIACS

Dom
Lucas

Mr Gascoine writes...

Congratulations to the above pupils and a house-point for each right answer.

Please make sure that all answer sheets include workings out, full names and forms please.



History Department

Holocaust Educational Trust Visit – Remembering the Holocaust

Mrs Furnell writes...

On Monday, Year 7 and 8 were fortunate to have a visit from the Holocaust Educational Trust. Ellie, who visited the boys last year, ran workshops that covered a whole range of themes linked to the Holocaust. In particular, the boys looked at 'Defining the Holocaust' and 'Dilemmas, Choices and Responses' to the Holocaust.

Remembering the Holocaust is so significant as a recent study revealed that one in 20 UK adults does not believe the Holocaust took place. This is a worrying statistic and so educating the children of today against ignorance and persecution is so important.

The boys were a real credit to the school and Ellie was amazed at their informative and reflective comments during the discussion. She was also impressed with how they tackled some of the deeper issues raised during the Holocaust and how Europe responded to this awful event.

Finally, I just wanted to share her words with you: 'Apologies for repetition but your students are a joy to work with, bright, informed, curious and most respectful. They are credit to your school community and reflect the outstanding History teaching!' Thank you, Year 7 and 8, for engaging so well in these workshops.





Art Department

Greek Myths

Miss Kirby writes...

Year 3 have been working on a cross-curricular project, learning about Greek Myths. They went to the Unicorn Theatre this week to see Icarus and have also completed their ink illustrations in Art. The final work is absolutely stunning. Well done, Year 3!



Music Department

Miss Orpwood writes...

We have had a super busy week (and weekend) in the Music Department. The Tour Choir had a really productive weekend of rehearsals at the Senior School where they worked really hard on the repertoire for our Choir Tour to Paris. The boys are now singing really confidently; they are producing some brilliant sounds and are really taking the music to the next level.

On Thursday the boys performed to the residents at Chelsea Court Place; it was a really lovely concert and both the boys and residents had a great time. The boys have definitely earned themselves a well deserved break over half term!

Only two weeks to go ...!



Wetherby SPORT

Rugby Term

7/2/19 - Under 10A-D vs. Arnold House and Notting Hill Prep

The Under 10s continue to excel in the Rugby season remaining undefeated in all their matches across the four teams.

Man of the match players: Bennett , Hayden , Ilya, Casper

Under 10 Franchise Round 4

The Rhinos charged away to their first win of the season by beating the Alligators 50-40 meanwhile the Hyenas had the last laugh against the Honeybadgers by winning 35-25.

Man of the match players: Zacharia , Lucas , Aaron

11/2/19 - Under 11A-D vs. Fulham Prep

Three wins out of four for Wetherby with the Under 11s exploiting space in the oppositions defence to score a flurry of tries.

Man of the match players: Sebastian , Joshua , Oscar , Adrian

Under 11 Franchise Round 4

The Vipers and the Anacondas came away winners in their respective games by slithering their way passed the opponents defence to score.

Man of the match players: Orlando , Frederick

12/2/19 - Under 9A-D vs. Fulham Prep

An exhilarating performance from all four teams with quick offloads and fast passes being made to keep the ball moving away from the opposition.

Man of the match players: Redmond , James , Henry , David

Under 9 Franchise Round 5

Last week's team of the week the Cyclops demonstrated exactly why they were worthy winners of the accolade with another impressive display against the Griffins, winning 55-25.

Man of the match players: Tobia , David, Lewis

Under 8 A&B vs. Kew College

Two games played and the aggregate score line was separated by only a single try. The As unfortunately fell 40-35 whilst the B team were held to a 40 all game against Kew College.

Man of the match players: Samuele Bertolo, Miles Cornaby

13/2/19 - Under 13A, 12A and All Stars vs. Newland House

All the boys demonstrated a spirited performance against Newland House and were rewarded with two wins out of three.

Man of the match players: Cameron, Kirill , Leonardo

Senior Franchise

Astonishingly in the Super League of the senior franchise both games ended in a draw with both the Thunder and Volcanoes snatching victory from the Lightning and Typhoons.

Man of the match players: Lucas , Oliver

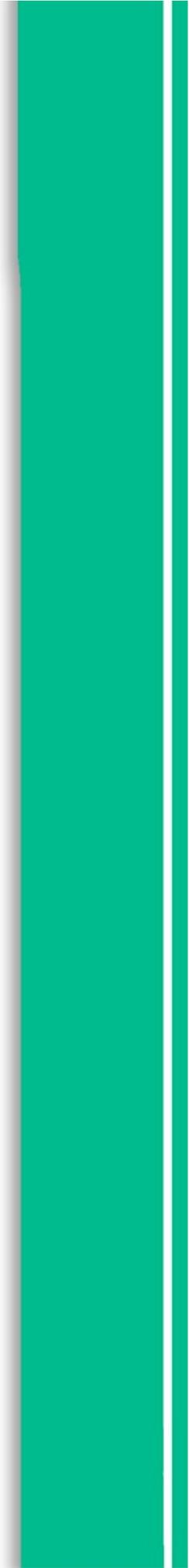


General Knowledge Championship Quiz

Miss Sharp writes...

This week, not only did three teams from Wetherby take part in the National General Knowledge Championship Quiz, the largest number of teams Miss Sharp has taken to any quiz competition, but Wetherby hosted the area heat. The other teams which joined us for the hotly contested quiz trophy were from Eaton Square and The Hampshire School. It was a fiercely competitive event, with the top of the leader board changing rapidly and I am pleased to announce that Wetherby came 2nd, 3rd and 4th at the event. Team two (Fergus F, Lucas W, Saverio A, and Dmitry C) pipped Team 1 (Sid G, Miron A, Elias R and Sam B) to the post on the last question to come 2nd place overall. Team 3 (Aditya D, Felix S, Timothee C and Alex T-K) who came 4th overall did extremely well considering they only found out they had a place at the quiz the day before the competition and had not practiced together beforehand. Well done to all those involved.





Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3P	Samuele	6J	Siddharth
4A	Jonah	6L	Sami
4L	Jamie	6T	Adrian
	Ezra	7H	Nadhmi
4M	Ali	7M	Elliot
4S	Ethan	7W	Oliver
5B	Daniil	8B	Rudy
5C	Kiran	8F	Nicholas
	Nima	8G	Teo
5K	Taymour	8V	Ashaan
5S	Alfie		

Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Teo – 45

Weekly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Dawson	Pembridge	Chepstow	Westbourne
762	743	705	612

Yearly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Dawson Captain N. Sesson-Farre	Pembridge Captain Z. Roda	Chepstow Captain N. Dyer	Westbourne Captain A. Jayaraj
13,144	12,265	11,074	10,414

Form Class Winners

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Form 3P 288	Form 7H 231	Form 5B 215



Photos of the Week



Year 5s working on the next stage of their Mehndi inspired pictures





Horse Riding Club



Prep Schools Cross Country





Year 3 Trip to see Icarus at the Unicorn Theatre



Running Club warm-up



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