



JAYS CLASS (Year 1) - Weekly overview

Term 5 week 4



It was great to see so many families at the drop in session on Wednesday. We're sure you will have been super impressed by all the activity in the Jays classroom. Another fun-filled week: we had a great time creating little bee-baths (which also act as water stations for the bees), these will come home next week. We had planned to take a walking trip next week to a local garden, but Mrs Ward is now out on a course, so we will most probably postpone until early next term - when there will likely be more flowers blooming too!

Friday 15 May 2026 This week we have been learning about:	
English	Phonics - review of many graphemes and fluency games - we completed a mock screening to practise reading from the booklet (rather than the screen) Book focus: <i>One Day on our Blue Planet</i> - lots of discussion on life on the Savannah, matching animals and writing information sentences about a chosen animal. Writing a journal entry about the making of our clay bee baths.
Maths	An introduction to fractions: recognising half and quarter of a shape. Calculating half and quarter of an amount. comparing numbers to 20 - plotting on a numberline
Other Subjects	Music: composing and annotation - using the words higher and lower to describe pitch History: timelining key events in Mary Seacole's life and making lamps while reading a poem about Florence Nightingale. Science: Bees as pollinators - making watering stations in the 'national week of the bee' and adding stamen to our giant buttercup paintings - all on display in class (and photos uploaded to seesaw). PSHE: Banks and saving money PE: Pickleball - returning the ball over the net, & water confidence in the pool. *** UPCOMING WEEKEND - Head along to the Barham Tennis Courts from 10-1600hs on Sunday 17 May where there are lots of taster sessions - tennis and pickleball! A free event for all of the family to enjoy. Art: drawing and painting giant buttercups in the style of Georgia O'Keefe RE: What is the place where Jewish people worship like?
Other info	Final week of term and our PE sessions remain pickleball on Monday and swimming on Wednesday. Please wear PE kits and on a Wednesday please ensure that earrings are removed and you bring swimming kits. Please continue to read at home - you are all getting well used to changing reading books on a Monday. Try to read this book as often as you can in the 7 days - discuss what happens (summarise) and perhaps show the adult some split diagraphs or tricky graphemes and there is also phonics play to continue to spot those graphemes. https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/ Numbots (https://numbots.com/) is also a great way to practise your Maths fluency. ** our phonics check date (a national check) is between 8-12 June . It's important that all Y1 children are available during this time . No holidays should be booked.

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