Engayne Newsletter

What's happening at Engayne? Summer 2026 First Half Term

Housepoints

The winning house for Summer 1 is:

With 1364 House Points.

Children from Ignis house can wear non uniform on **Monday 1st June 2026**

Dates for your Diary

5th June

EPFA Outdoor Cinema

8th June

Year 6 Photo

12th June

Someone Special/Fathers Day Sale

KS2 Enjoy MoneySense Sessions with Nationwide Building Society

KS2 children have been delighted to take part in MoneySense sessions, delivered as part of the Nationwide Building Society scheme. Mrs Adams kindly visited school to lead these engaging sessions, which explored important topics such as managing money and the different ways we can pay for goods and services.

The children really enjoyed the experience and were full of enthusiasm throughout. They listened carefully, shared thoughtful ideas and showed a strong understanding of the topics discussed. It was lovely to see them building their confidence and making links to their own everyday experiences.

During the session, the children looked at a range of ways to pay, including cash, card and other modern payment methods. This helped them to understand that money can be used in different ways and that people need to make sensible choices when spending it.

This links closely to the National Curriculum for Mathematics, particularly the aim for pupils to use mathematics in practical contexts and to develop an understanding of money. In KS2, children are expected to add and subtract amounts of money to give change, use decimal notation in relation to pounds and pence, and solve simple problems involving money. The MoneySense sessions supported these objectives by helping children apply their learning to real-life situations and develop the financial understanding they will need in everyday life.

To finish the session, the children completed a task to show what they had learned. This was a great opportunity for them to reflect on the key points and demonstrate just how much they had gained from the session.

Message from the Head teacher

Well done to our year 6 for completing their end of key stage SATs tests. They worked hard and after half term they have some writing tasks to complete as well.
Both sports days went very well and everyone enjoyed themselves. KS2 were luckier with the weather! Our children have written about what they have been learning this half term and you can see the varied curriculum and outdoor learning.

We return for the final half term of the year on Monday 1st June 2026.
Have a wonderful half term and enjoy the sunny weather.
Regards Mrs Sankey

Hear from our students

RECEPTION

In Reception we have been learing about the lifecycle of a butterfly. We watched our cat erpillars transform into butterflies and then let them fly.

By Alice, Millie & Emanuela
Trent Class

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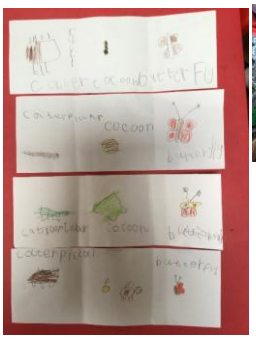

YEAR 1

This half term year 1 has really enjoyed building houses out of cardboard we thought what materials would be best to use. Avery 1MY

YEAR 2

This half term we have been learning about plants. We though of qiestions and did our own research we found out lots of interest facts! In Music we have been using Chrome Music Lab to create our own rhythms and we experimented with pitch and tempo. We also enjoyed performing in the Music Festival.

from Henry B 2B

YEAR 3

History
We completed our Roman and celtic battle at the beginning of term. We threw bean bags at each other and tried to deflect the beanbags by using our shields. The shields were good because the the bean bags hit our shields and bounced off. Some of us made Roman shields and some of us make celtic shields. The materials we used were: cardboard, Wood, tape, peas, paper and paint. It was really fun to do. We learnt that the celts stood when they fight and the Roman stay quiet, focused and go into a formation like a tortoise shell. The Roman called it the Testudo, which is a latin word.

Music
We have been learning a song and we are hoping to perform it to Mrs Sankey & maybe Mrs Mackintosh. Some of us are singing and we really want to impress when we perform. Some children have drums and some are dancers. also some people are playing the ukuleles.

PSHE, Science & DT lessons
We used healthy food to create a pizza. We had lots of fun making pizza with healthy food and it was so nice to eat what we took them home, even though some of them got soggy in the rain later including the 5 main food groups. It all of our pictures were colourful. We used knives and graters. We used the claw and bridge technique.

Written By Charlie, Henry and Gracie 3B

YEAR 4

Our history topic in year 4 is Ancient Egypt. We have learned about the importance of the Nile and drew a shaduf which was a hand operated tool used to lift water from the Nile.
We learned about farming in these times and the great discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb in the valley of the Kings.

In our English lessons we have read the text "Mim and the pharaoh." We wrote an informal postcard to our friend and a formal letter to Mrs Sankey, in the character of Mim, about our time in the palace.

By Samuel and Violet 4B.

YEAR 5

This term, Year 5 have been very busy having fun while learning maths and science. In maths, we have learned how to measure the perimeter of parts of the playground and school, as well as calculating the area of different 2-D shapes. We have also learned about life cycles of animals and how plants reproduce. This involved us exploring Engayne's school grounds and observing different plants to identify their reproductive parts that are used in pollination. We loved this lesson.

In P.E., we have been learning and practising cricket skills, as well as preparing for Sports Day. This included bowling overarm which was tricky at first because you have to keep your arm straight.

This week, Year 5 visited Hall Mead Secondary school to watch their production of Frozen, which was amazing. We also got to play in the playground during the interval and are now all looking forward to returning for our taster days in June.

We are really looking forward to learning new things and having more fun in OPAL.

By Aparna 5C

YEAR 6

River Ingrebourne
Our year six trip to the Ingrebourne River couldn't have been more fascinating! This trip was to learn about insects and their living habitats. We also got to go on the river with [illegible]. After words we had lunch up on the bank and had a quiz about nature, the river and wildlife.

SATs
SATs has been a very difficult yet exciting time for Year Six. It shows how much we have grown over the last couple of years from reception to year Six. Our SATs show our secondary schools what standard we are at in maths and english.

Written by Siennah & Laura 6G