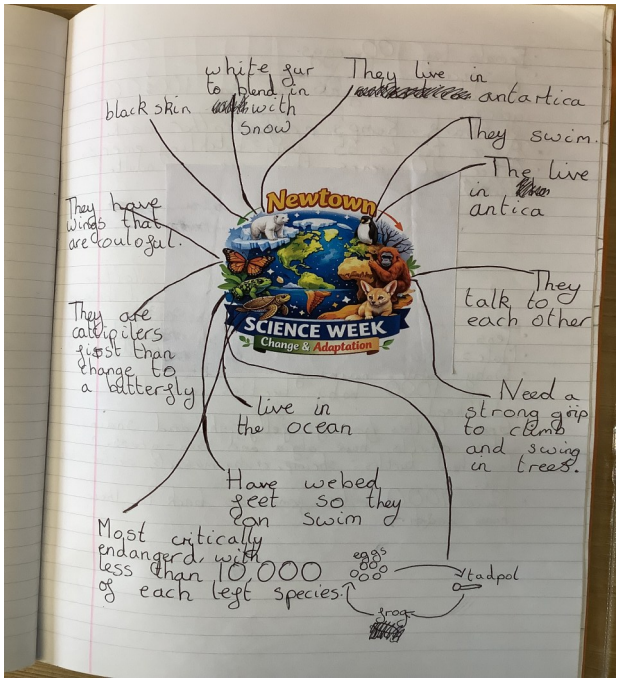
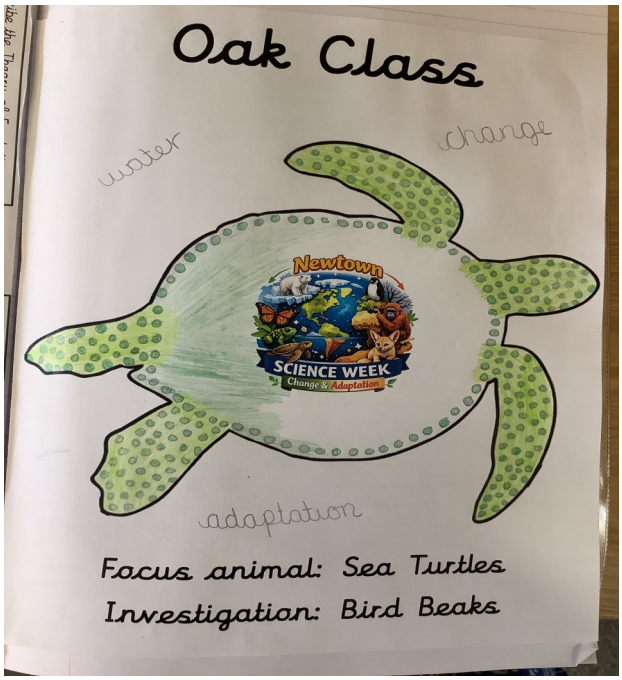
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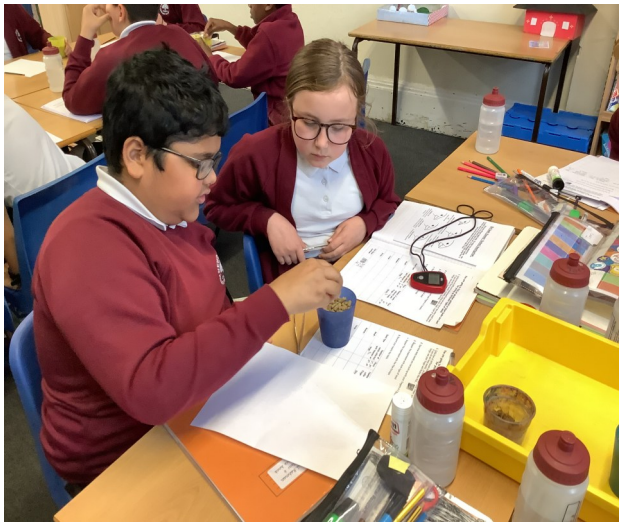
A message from Miss Hallam in Oak Class

Wow, it has been a very busy term in Oak Class! We have really enjoyed our Art topic and worked incredibly hard with our SATS. For the final week of term, we are focusing on Science. We are learning about 'Change and Adaptation' and are having a focus on endangered sea turtles. We are creating double page spreads about them to share the key information we are learning. Science this week also includes an experiment linked to Darwin's finches and beak types. We are investigating picking up different types of seeds with tweezers and our finger/thumbs. This experiment represents the different types of beaks, and we will discuss which was most suited for their food types. We look forward to sharing more learning with you in term 6. Have a lovely restful half term break!









Safeguarding



Keeping us informed

Please remember, if you or any of your child's named contacts update their mobile phone, please make sure you update your contact information with the school office. It is important that we have your correct number information and at least one emergency contact too.

Please ensure you *always* let the school know if your child is absent for *any* reason.

You can do this by calling the school office, by passing on a message to Mr Marshall, Miss Fisher or Mrs Bieda in the mornings or by sending an email to admin@newtown.wilts.sch.uk

If your child has an appointment, please send the office a photo or copy of the appointment letter via email on the same address as above.

If you are taking your child to an appointment, consider if these needs to be a whole day out of school. Being in school is so important for your child's development and reducing their time taken out for these things should be kept to an absolute minimum.

Free School Meals

Please take a look at the list of entitlement criteria for applying for free school meals. If you are entitled to any of the items in the list, you should put in your application to Wiltshire Council:

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-free-school-meals

If you think you are eligible, you should put in a claim even if your child currently gets Universal Free School Meals because they are in Years R-Y2. This is because there are other benefits that can be claimed, for example supermarket vouchers for the holidays and discounts for residential trips, etc. You can still register for free school meals even if your child doesn't want a meal every day!

- Income-based Job Seekers Allowance (Not contribution based JSA).
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (Not contribution based ESA).
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999 - National Asylum Seekers Support (NASS).
- The guarantee element of State Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit (you must not be entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190 (April 2012).
- Working Tax Credit 'Run On' - payment you receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.
- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400 as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).

If you currently receive Working Tax Credit (other than 'Run On') you are not eligible to claim.

FRIENDS OF NEWTOWN SCHOOL

Maple, Beech, Ash & Oak



Tuesday 2nd June 2026

£3.50 per child

for popcorn, drink, and a film!

4:45pm – 6:30pm

Showing:

The Garfield Movie



FRIENDS OF NEWTOWN SCHOOL

Willow & Sycamore



Tuesday 2nd June 2026

£3.50 per child

for popcorn, drink, and a film!

3:30pm – 4:30pm

Showing:

Scarecrow's Wedding &

The Smeds and the Smoos





MIGHTY GIRLS



Mighty Girls Holiday Club

TUESDAY 26TH MAY

SCOUT HUT,BRADFORD ON AVON
10AM - 3PM.
AGE 8 TO 12 YRS

MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

JUST £35

Fun, craft, adventures and empowerment with the Mighty Girls team.

Further details visit **www.mightygirls.co.uk**

ST JAMES' CHURCH HOLIDAY CLUB



JUNGLE EXPLORERS Holiday Club

Join us for another week of fun, friendship and finding out more about Jesus, at our annual church holiday club, for Primary School aged children.

Wednesday 27th - Friday 29th May. 9.30am - 12.30Pm
Sunday 31st May. 10.45am Finale
followed by Family BBQ



£15 for first child, £10 for siblings
Scan the QR code to book, or go to the church website
For more info contact nick@stjamestrowbridge.co.uk

SCAN ME!

Bookings Close - Sunday 24th May

Superstars











Joshua, Savannah, Elijah, Cerys, Luke & Zuzia

Attendance

138 children had 100% attendance in the last week. You are awesome!

Maple class were the best at being in & on time every day last week. Well done Maple class!

5 Penalty Notice Applications have been made so far this academic year.

Absence line 01225 752678 option 1



Congratulations to Ash class who are top of the leader board this week!

Please encourage your child to log on and play.

Home - Times Tables Rock Stars

Dates for Diary

22/05/2026	TD Day - school closed to children
01/06/2026	First day of term 6 - children back to school
02/06/2026	FONS Movie Night
04/06/2026	Y6 swimming
09/06/2026	Braeside Medical Meeting 3.30pm
17/06/2026	Sports Day - more details to follow
22/06 - 24/06/2026	Year 6 - Braeside residential trip
08/07/2026	Y5 The Clarendon Academy transition day
10/07/2026	Y5 The John of Gaunt School transition day
14/07/2026	Whole school history day - children to come to school dressed up. (See letter dated 20/05/26)