

# UPDATE FOR PARENTS

Friday 4th  
April 2025

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Thought for the week...



*Wishing you all a very happy Easter holiday.*

*With thanks for everything you do to support the school  
– we are very grateful!*

# Year 5 visit the Borehamwood and Elstree Synagogue

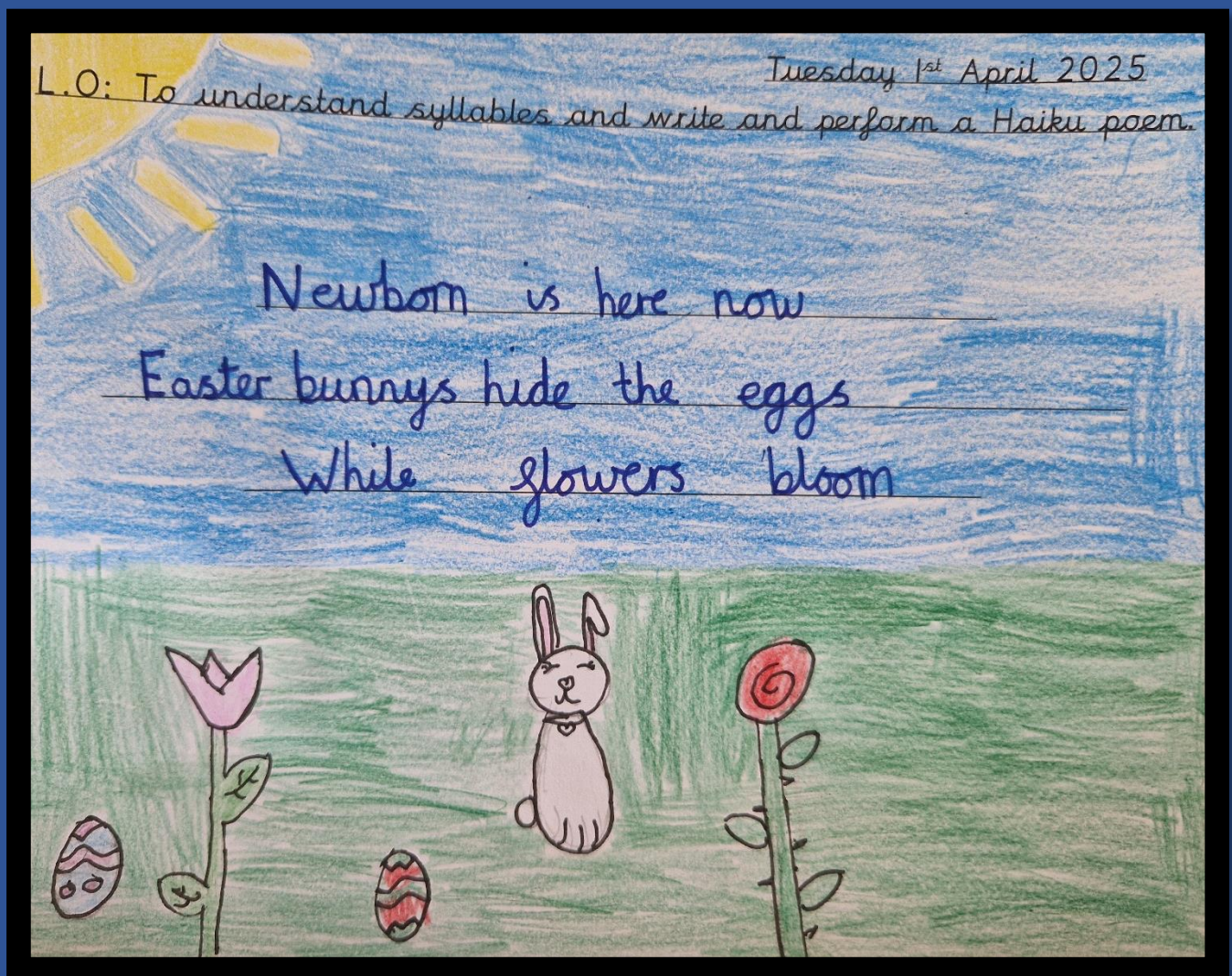


On Tuesday, Year 5 visited the Borehamwood and Elstree Synagogue as part of the year 5 R.E curriculum. The children were very well behaved, respectful and knowledgeable. They asked well thought out, insightful questions and represented our school perfectly.

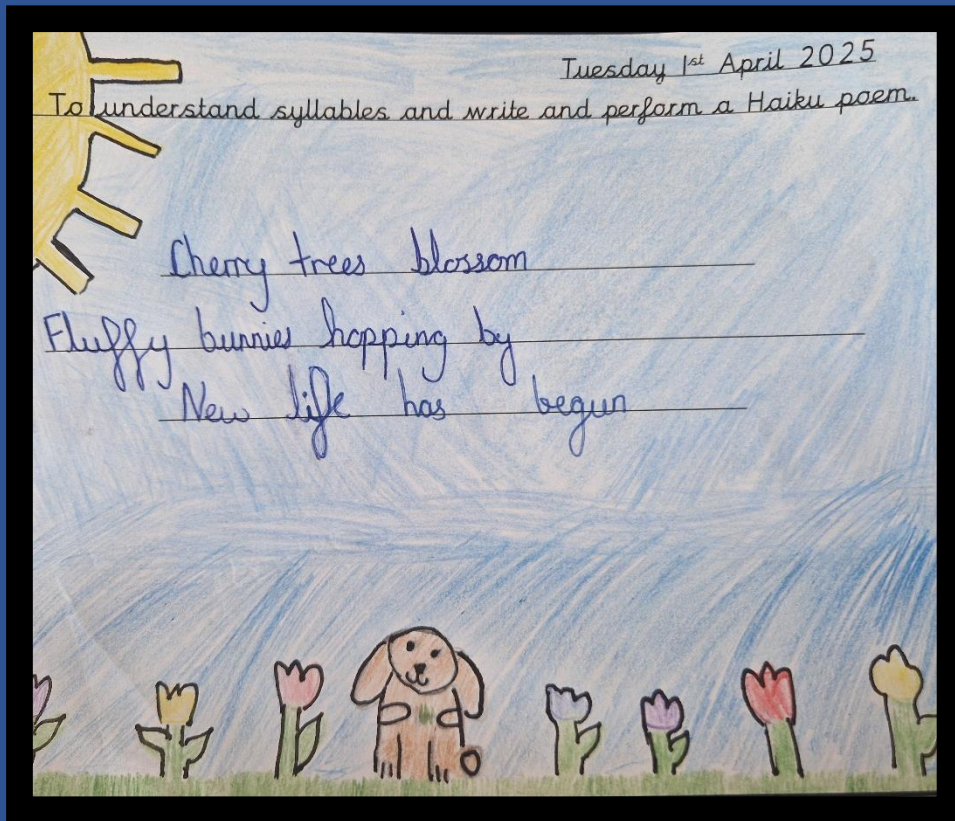
Thank you to the year 5 team for organising this and to Mr Lissner for helping on the trip.

## Year 4 Haiku poems

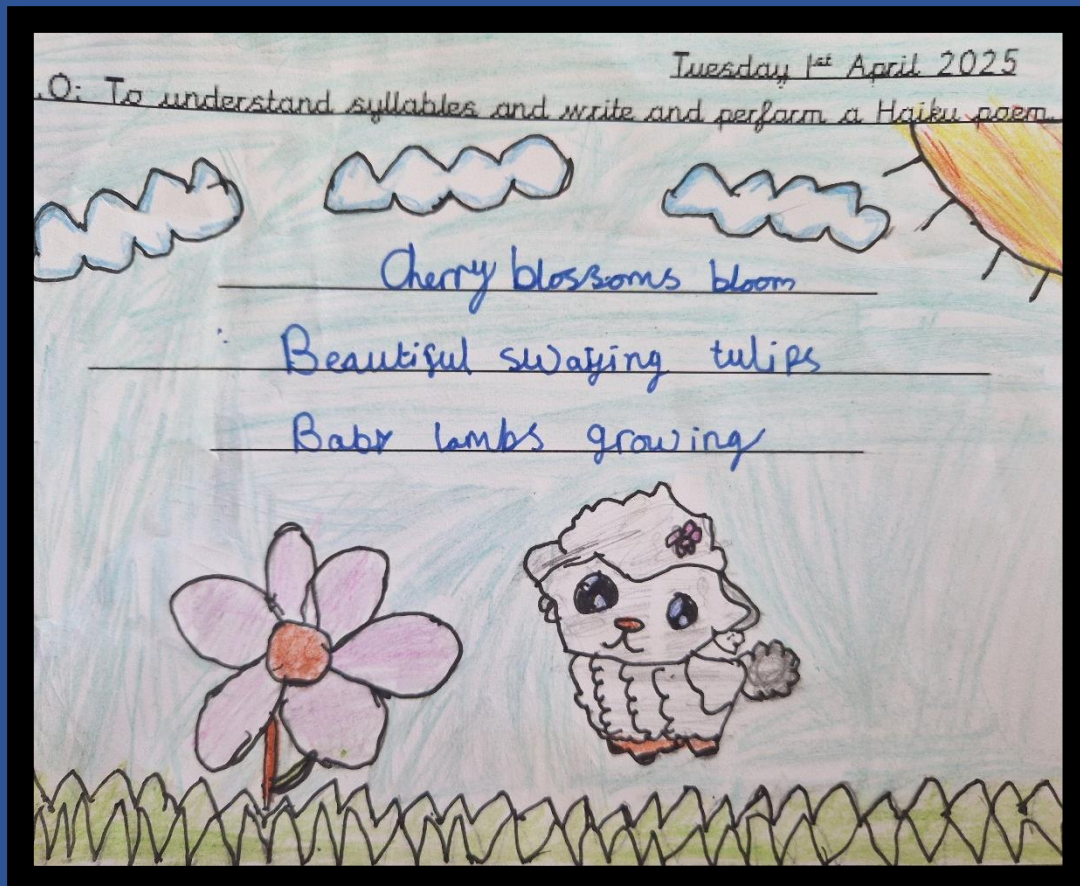
The children in year 4 have been writing Haiku poems this week. Haiku is a type of short form poetry that originated in Japan. Haiku are traditionally printed as a single line, but English Haiku is on three lines. Here are a few examples...



Mariam, year 4 Oak



Above: Yazhini Below: Waniya (year 4 Oak)



L.O: To understand syllables and write and perform a Haiku poem. Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025

Spring is awaiting  
For flowers to blossom high,  
Bunnies hopping by.

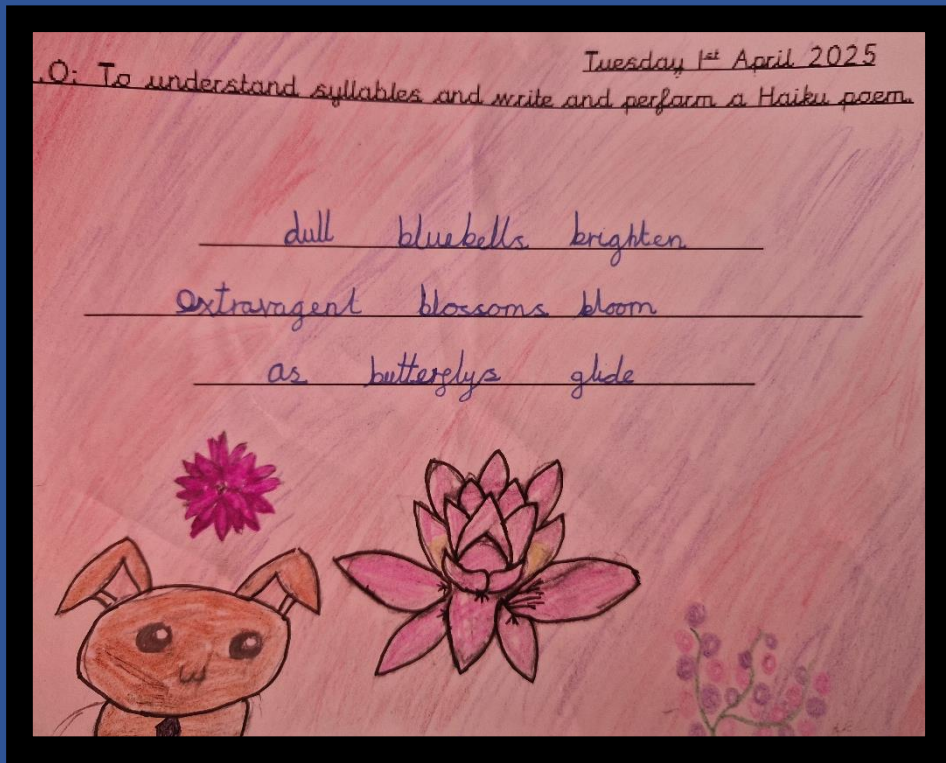


Above: Zahra Below: Sarah (year 4 Oak)

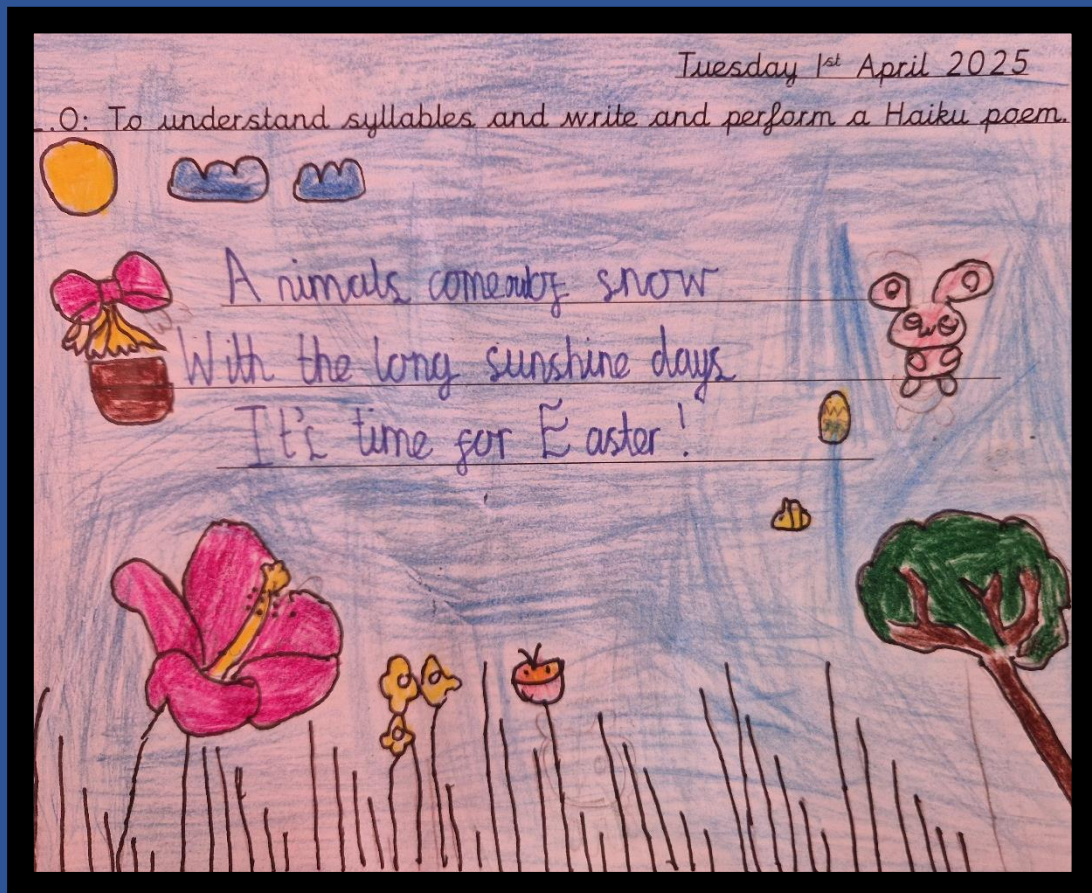
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025  
O: To understand syllables and write and perform a Haiku poem.

Chicks are bright yellow  
bunnies are fluffy and cute  
flowers are blooming





Above: Vivaan Below: Priyen (year 4 Oak)



Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025

L.O: To understand syllables and write and perform a Haiku poem.

Lambs, rabbits, chicks and more  
daisies, roses, shining stars  
green grass, blue crisp skies



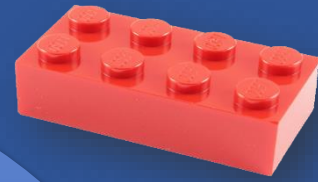
Lilah, year 4 Oak

Art of the week



*Belle, year 3 Willow*

## Year 4 trip to Legoland



On Monday, year 4 went on an exciting trip to Legoland. During the day, the children took part in an 'Around the World' workshop where they: explored, located, and identified the Earth's continents and oceans through LEGO®. They also used teamwork and building skills to create famous landmarks, animals, and buildings.

I would like to thank Mrs Najeeb, Mrs Pathak, Mrs Maxey, Mrs Wood, Mr Rajani and Ms Vidal for kindly helping on the trip.

The children had a wonderful time!









## Focus on Attendance

This academic year, there is an increased national and Hertfordshire focus on the importance of attendance. All our attendance figures are reported to the Department for Education every week, enabling them to assess how well each school is doing.

Congratulations to Holly class for the highest attendance!

### Attendance and punctuality report Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> March

<i>Class</i>	<i>Attendance percentage</i>	<i>Number of children late</i>
3 Holly	98.67%	12
3 Willow	93%	1
4 Juniper	92.33%	1
4 Oak	97%	4
5 Beech	93.79%	4
5 Elm	95%	4
6 Poplar	97%	11
6 Rowan	90.33%	4



Our target is 97% attendance each week!

## Charity fundraising



Congratulations to Kiera who organised a fundraising activity to raise money for Watford Mencap. Watford Mencap provides support and services to people with a learning disability and their families in Watford, Three Rivers and Hertsmere.

Kiera's aunt, Jolene Stephens, works for Mencap and kindly provided the scrunchies for sale. Kiera was ably supported by Anya and Maryam and all three did a fantastic job. They raised a spectacular £190.60. Thank you to all the parents who supported this venture.

Many thanks to Jolene and Katy for supporting the girls!



# Stars of the week

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April



Class	Nominee	Reason
Holly	Eoin	<i>For excellent batting in our class rounders game. You hit the ball with precision and accuracy! Well done!</i>
Willow	Eva	<i>For a well-written and neatly presented free verse poem. Well done, Eva. Your choice and use of relevant noun phrases and appropriate editing made for an interesting read.</i>
Oak	Urvish	<i>For his mature and sensible answers to questions in PSHE and RE.</i>
Juniper	Riana	<i>For writing a beautiful spring Haiku.</i>
Elm	Srinidhi	<i>For excellent effort in English with her writing and in her art with her beautiful clay flower sculpture.</i>
Beech	Ava	<i>For not only being incredibly well behaved and hard working but for always showing great initiative and being very helpful in the classroom. A true asset to Beech class!</i>
Poplar	Riana	<i>For writing a excellent first draft of her twisted fairy tale in English. Riana has written her tale carefully, using all the required features including figurative language, the rule of three and the past perfect tense. Well done, Riana!</i>
Rowan	Rahi	<i>For always demonstrating fantastic focus, concentration and understanding in Maths lessons. Well done!</i>



*Many congratulations to all the children. They have worked hard and we have had a very productive term!*