

UPDATE FOR PARENTS

Friday 17th
January 2025

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Thought for the week...



'Supposing a tree fell down, Pooh, when we were underneath it?'

'Supposing it didn't,' said Pooh, after careful thought. Piglet was comforted by this.

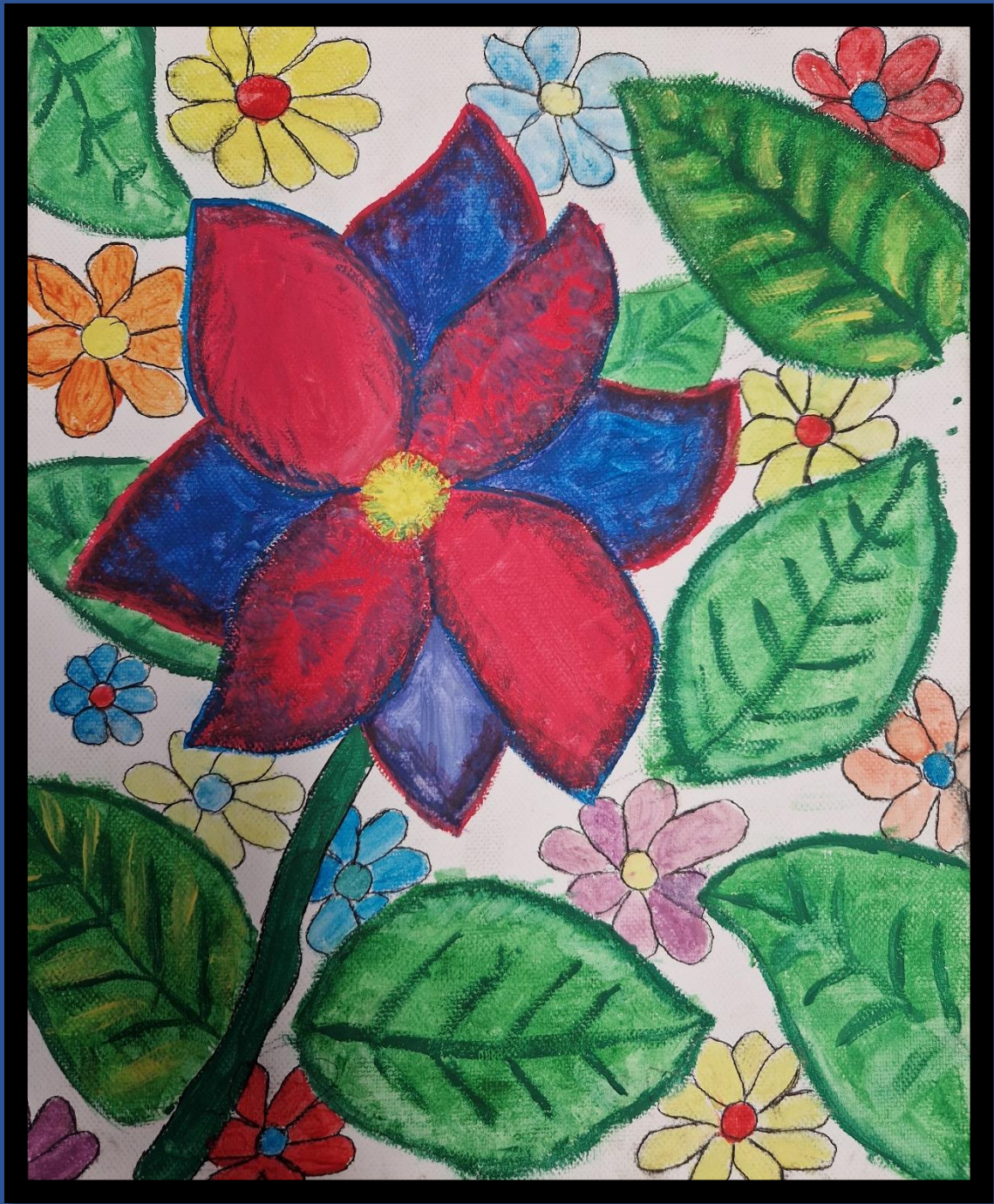
Winnie-the Pooh by A. A. Milne

Art of the week

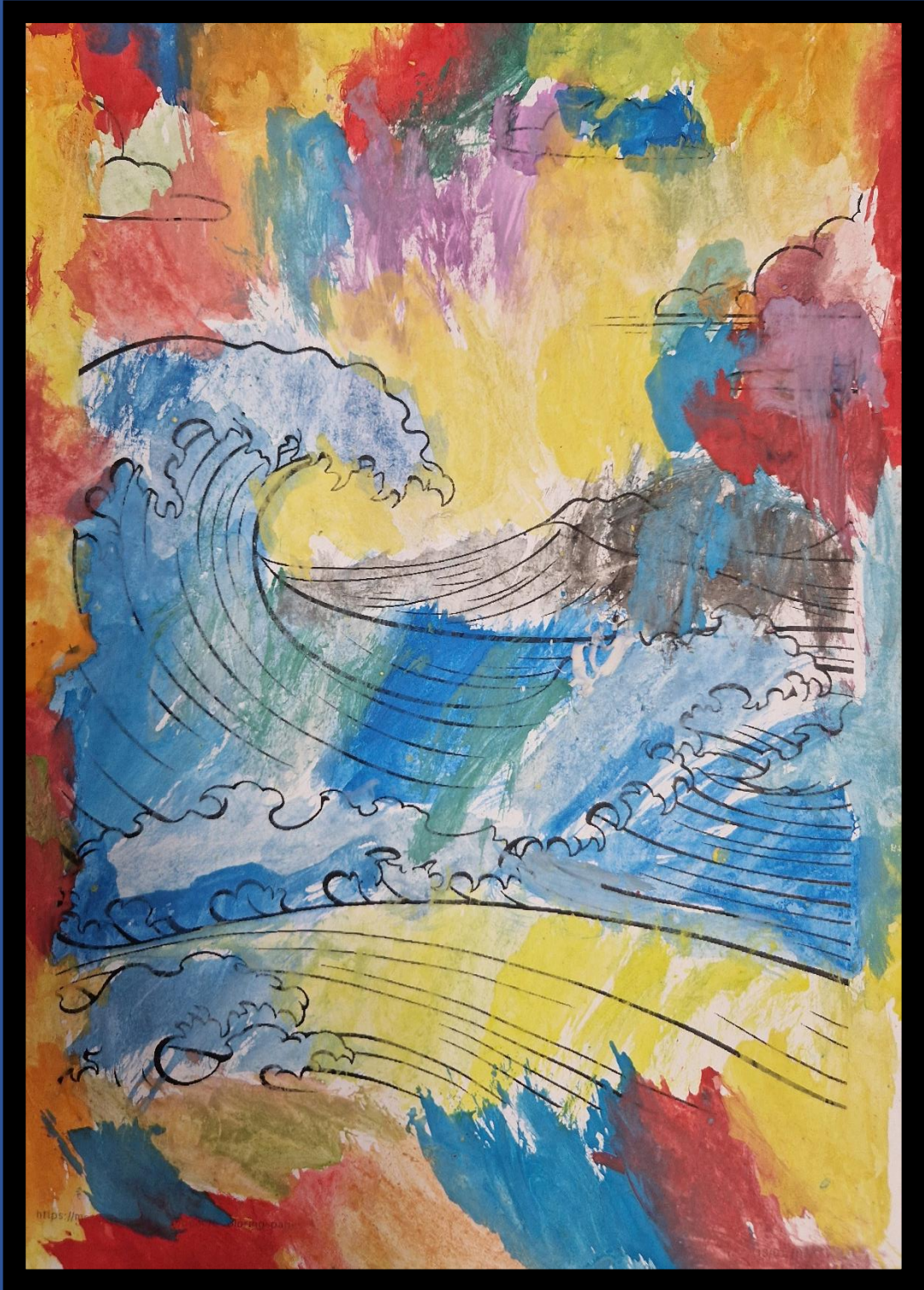


Zahra, year 4 Oak

A girl wearing a headscarf



Adi, year 6 Rowan



Aliabbas, year 3 Holly

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.

I will be including an attendance and punctuality report in each parents update, enabling you to see the picture across the school.

Congratulations to Willow class for perfect attendance!

Attendance and punctuality report Week beginning: Tuesday 7th January 2025

<i>Class</i>	<i>Attendance percentage</i>	<i>Number of children late</i>
3 Holly	94.58%	11
3 Willow	100%	11
4 Juniper	97.86%	4
4 Oak	96.67%	7
5 Beech	96.25%	7
5 Elm	93.75%	6
6 Poplar	98.33%	6
6 Rowan	88.75%	3



Our target is 97% attendance each week!

Lunchtime clubs; an overview

I thought it might be helpful for you to have an overview of the clubs that are on offer to the children at lunchtime. Some of the clubs are funded by the school and therefore open to all, whilst some carry a termly cost.

We offer some funded places for children in receipt of free school meals – please contact the school office if you would like some more information about this.

Day	Club	Time	Room	Status
Monday	Dance Club	12:15 – 1:00 pm	Main Hall	Membership club
	Super Star Sports Club	12.00– 12.45pm	Playground/field	UKS2/LKS2 Rota
Tuesday	Lower School Choir	12:00–12:20 pm	Holly class	Open to all in Years 3 and 4
	Creative thinking	12.30– 1.00pm	Maple classroom	Open to all
Wednesday	Art Club	12:00–12:45 pm	Maple Room	Membership club
	Super Star Sports Club	12.00– 12.45pm	Playground/field	UKS2/LKS2Rota
	Upper school choir	12:00–12:30 pm	Main Hall	Open to all in Years 5 and 6
Thursday	Gymnastics Club	12:15 – 1:00 pm	Main Hall	Membership club
	Book Club	12.30– 1.00pm	Maple classroom	Open to all in years 4,5 and 6
Friday	Super Star Sports Club	12.00– 12.45pm	Playground/field	UKS2/LKS2Rota

Financial information

We are committed to supporting our families to ensure that children from all economic backgrounds have an equal opportunity to thrive and achieve at our school.

We recognise that, at times, you may need some support, and we are always willing to meet with you and discuss your individual circumstances.

We have provided you with some information on our [website](#) which we hope you will find helpful; this will be updated periodically.

If you need financial support with an aspect of school life, please contact Mrs Phatak, our Office Manager, either in person, in the school office, or at 01923 238784
admin@nascotwoodjm.herts.sch.uk



Important safety information



I wanted to bring the following to your attention.

This morning, the parking in Nascot Wood Road became dangerous for the children. Mr Watts recorded five cars that had been parked on the opposite side of Nascot Wood Road, all parked on the double yellow lines and partly on the pavement, obstructing pedestrians, parents with pushchairs and those in wheelchairs. This meant that pedestrians, including children, were having to walk in the road in order to pass these vehicles.

Please note that drivers are only permitted to park on double yellow lines if they have a valid blue disability badge.

On the opposite side of the road (school side), there were 7 vehicles parked on the double yellow lines and, in addition, two parents had parked their cars and left them blocking the school vehicle entrance.

This meant that children could not cross the road in order to access the school entrance, members of staff could not drive onto site, delivery vans were prevented from entering the school site and we were unable to get emergency vehicles into the school should we have needed them.

I have contacted Hertfordshire Highways to request some additional road markings to deter people from parking/stopping dangerously.

If the above applies to you, please make alternative arrangements for drop off and pick up to ensure that the children remain as safe as possible on their way and way back from school.

With many thanks for your help with this matter.

Stars of the week

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Class	Nominee	Reason
Holly	Lily-Rose	<i>For coming to school and trying her best in the classroom despite not feeling very well to ensure she continues with her learning.</i>
Willow	Pilgrim	<i>For great progress in reading and writing, including handwriting, spelling and presentation. Well done, Pilgrim. Your perseverance has really paid off. It is lovely to hear you read more fluently and express yourself more effectively in your writing.</i>
Oak	Gabi	<i>For working hard to produce an informative news paper report in English</i>
Juniper	Ariana	<i>For working hard and persevering when solving perimeter questions in Maths.</i>
Elm	Hafsa	<i>For working well independently, with strong focus and an excellent attitude to learning.</i>
Beech	Sid	<i>For always having such a high standard of presentation in his work, especially in his maths book. His work is always a pleasure to mark!</i>
Rowan	Samuel	<i>For his careful thought and consideration in his piece of artwork, which demonstrated how art can be an act of protest.</i>
Poplar	Maryam	<i>For her love of learning and constant enthusiasm. Maryam always strives for success and puts maximum effort into everything she does. This week, in her free time, Maryam has produced an excellent, informative poster on WWII, which I have really enjoyed reading. Well done, Maryam!</i>
	Swannya	<i>For being brave after extensive dental work. You were still smiling and cheerful in spite of the pain!</i>