



CLAIRE'S COURT
Nursery School

Weekly Bulletin

9 May 2025 (Summer Term Week 3)

Principal's Blog

Read Mr Wilding's blog: ["Lamplight of Peace - Lessons from VE Day"](#)

This week at Nursery:



Our VE day celebrations were a wonderful opportunity to help the children understand past and present, the importance of kindness and looking at the country they live in. They created flags, we danced to 1940s music and looked at photos of soldiers from World War 2 and the parties which happened once the war was over. We acknowledged the feeling of being safe; who and what makes us safe.



Bumble Bees enjoyed looking at caterpillars and butterflies. They read *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, learning new vocabulary like chrysalis.



The Beehive and Busy Bees class have spent a lot of time in their outdoor classroom this week. Here, they have been able to extend their development in all areas.

- Threading - pre writing skills: hand eye coordination, concentration, visual tracking skills
- Role play - language development, negotiation, being creative, self regulation
- Creating their own physical developmental limitations - core strength, self esteem and self confidence
- Messy sensory play - pre writing skills, cognitive skills, emotional regulation, problem solving, maths and science foundation
- Exploring the pond and growing area - observational skills, language development, connection to their environment, curiosity and wonder, safety education



Inside, the learning through play has continued with recycling games and activities and the children using the old socks which many of you bought in. The children have also been working in small groups on numbers, mathematical language, letter sounds and language.



At Forest School this week, the children created their own tree faces using clay and other natural materials they could find. As always, there is also the opportunity to climb the ditch, which is a weekly love of theirs.



Next week..

Bumble Bees - The Great outdoors

Busy Bees/Beehive - Weather and our environment.

Reminders - Please book [here](#) for the May half term holiday club. Booking closes on Monday 12 May.

Nursery are looking for some items for the children to use in their outdoor area. Do you have any of the following:

- Large clean decorating paint brushes
- Large offcuts of wood/planks
- Sheets of tarpaulin
- Cake trays/muffin tins
- Cooking utensils
- Large electrical cable reels
- Tyres - car or tractor
- pallets
- Crates
- Tree stumps/slices
- Bags of pea shingle
- Outdoor cushions
- Small children's tables/chairs

Sun Protection

As we look forward to a fun Summer ahead and enjoy our time outside we need to ensure our pupils stay safe in the sun. Please read our [Sun Protection Letter](#) here.

For those children who will be moving up to Juniors...

New Claires Court PE Kit - available from June

We are pleased to announce that a new [Claire's Court PE kit](#) will be launched this June at **Hawkinsport**, in preparation for the **September 2025** academic year.



Dates for the diary

Cocktails and Canapés - Friday 6 June

Our 'Cocktails and Canapés' event organised by the PTA is not only to raise funds but also to bring the whole parent body together from Nursery to Sixth Form. We'd love to see as many of you there as possible so please join us at Moor Hall in Cookham on Friday 6 June and book your tickets [here](#) now!

Junior [PTA Summer Party](#) - Saturday 28 June

Join us for a delightful summer evening on Saturday 28 June at 7pm at Juniors, as we come together to raise funds in support of our school. We'd love to see you there and share a relaxed and enjoyable evening with you.

Tickets are now available to purchase via this [link](#). We hope you can join us for what promises to be a wonderful night.

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SUMMER PARTY

DRINK | DANCE | GRAZE

TIME: 7PM

LOCATION: The Lawn at Juniors

TICKETS: £45 per person

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