

13th February 2026

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Well, here we are at the end of yet another busy half term and we have certainly been busy once again! Your children have worked so hard and are certainly ready for a well-deserved half term break! During our visit to the Hindu temple, the children really showcased all that they had learnt in class. It was wonderful to see them confidently recalling key vocabulary and making thoughtful connections to our previous learning. They asked respectful questions and showed genuine curiosity about how prayer works within another faith. The experience clearly deepened their understanding and it was a pleasure to see them so engaged.

English: As well as continuing to work hard on spelling, handwriting and reading comprehensions, the children have thoroughly enjoyed our text based on the Polish legend *The Cobbler and the Dragon*. The story has really captured their imagination and sparked some brilliant discussions about characters, motives and how tension is built. We have been using speech effectively and considering how dialogue shapes the reader's understanding of a character or moment. We have explored how the way something is said can completely change the tone of a scene. The children have practised punctuating direct speech and more importantly, thinking carefully about the impact of their word choices. We have worked on showing the reader what a character is feeling rather than simply telling them. Through action, expression and carefully chosen dialogue, the children have experimented with formal, informal and even quirky speech. The quirky versions have been particularly entertaining and have certainly brought plenty of smiles in the classroom. It has been fantastic to see their confidence growing as writers.

Year 4:

- **Perimeter and length**
- **Step 1** Measure in kilometres and metres
- **Step 2** Equivalent lengths (kilometres and metres)
- **Step 3** Perimeter on a grid
- **Step 4** Perimeter of a rectangle
- **Step 5** Perimeter of rectilinear shapes
- **Step 6** Find missing lengths in rectilinear shapes
- **Step 7** Calculate the perimeter of rectilinear shapes

Year 5: **Multiplication and Division/Fractions**

- **Fractions**
- **Step 3** Multiply a mixed number by an integer
- **Step 4** Calculate a fraction of a quantity
- **Step 5** Fraction of an amount
- **Step 6** Find the whole
- **Step 7** Use fractions as operators
- **Decimals**
- **Step 1** Decimals up to 2 decimal places
- **Step 2** Equivalent fractions and decimals (tenths)
- **Step 3** Equivalent fractions and decimals (hundredths)

Additional Information: PE will go back to Tuesday PM and Thursday PM

Have a wonderful break!

Miss Fisher