



## Thank you Susi Sending all our love and best wishes



After more than 30 years of being the heart and soul of reception, we are bidding a bittersweet farewell to our wonderful receptionist, Susi, as she begins her well-deserved retirement this Friday. Her journey with us began even before our doors officially opened, bringing with her years of experience from the European School. For over three decades, she has been the first face to greet students, parents, staff, and visitors alike, always serving as a "force to be reckoned with" who kept everything running smoothly with unparalleled dedication.

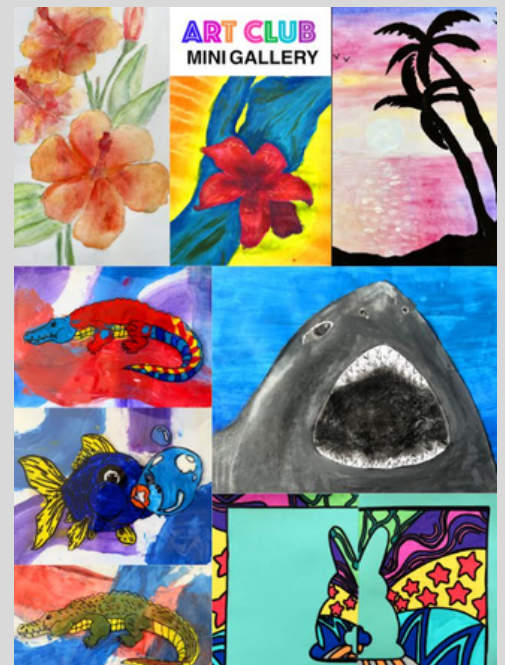
During this time she introduced hundreds of students to the theatrical arts and has produced 12 amazing shows, the quality of which far exceeded a traditional school play.

Primary students have written and drawn farewell cards and the secondary students lined the terrace and quad to give her the send off she deserves. The school truly won't be the same without her presence, and while we will miss her dearly, we wish her nothing but joy and relaxation in this next chapter.

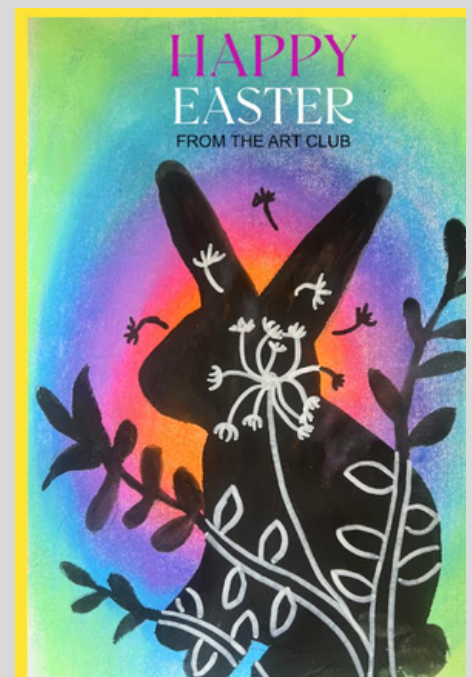
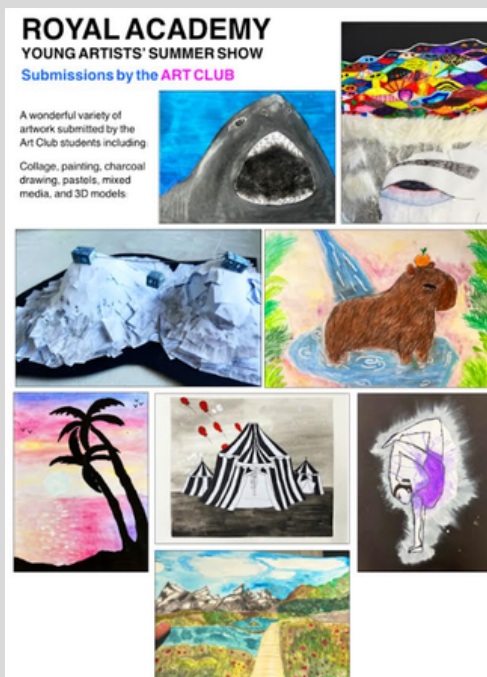
6EE sang today with the Spanish school Antonio Machado as part of an e-choir project with them.



This week, 3FE connected online with their French penfriends and tried to guess their riddles! Everyone had fun!



The Art Clubs have been busy this past half term, exploring painting on acetate, creating modroc sculptures for Mother's Day, book designs for world book week, visiting the IB Art exhibition and many many personal projects! A VERY WELL DONE TO EVERYONE who's art was chosen by Young Art Oxford to be displayed at the Ashmolean Museum in May!!



Thank you to everyone who was able to come see our Art Exhibition, we were delighted to share our work with you! Thank you also for all the really wonderful feedback we received, we are thrilled that so many children created art responses to our work.

From the S7 Art Students: Hannah, Alexandra, Juliette, Ivan, Remi and Benjamin

# TasteEd Sessions


## Did you know that savoy cabbage feels like bubble wrap?

2EE are taking part in TasteEd sessions this term. During the sessions the children explore a variety of foods using their senses – looking, smelling, touching, hearing, and tasting. This encourages curiosity and helps build confidence in trying new foods.

This week 12 out of 16 children tried something new, as we investigated raw cabbage using the sense of touch. Have a look at the brilliant descriptions the children came up with for red, savoy and sweetheart cabbage.

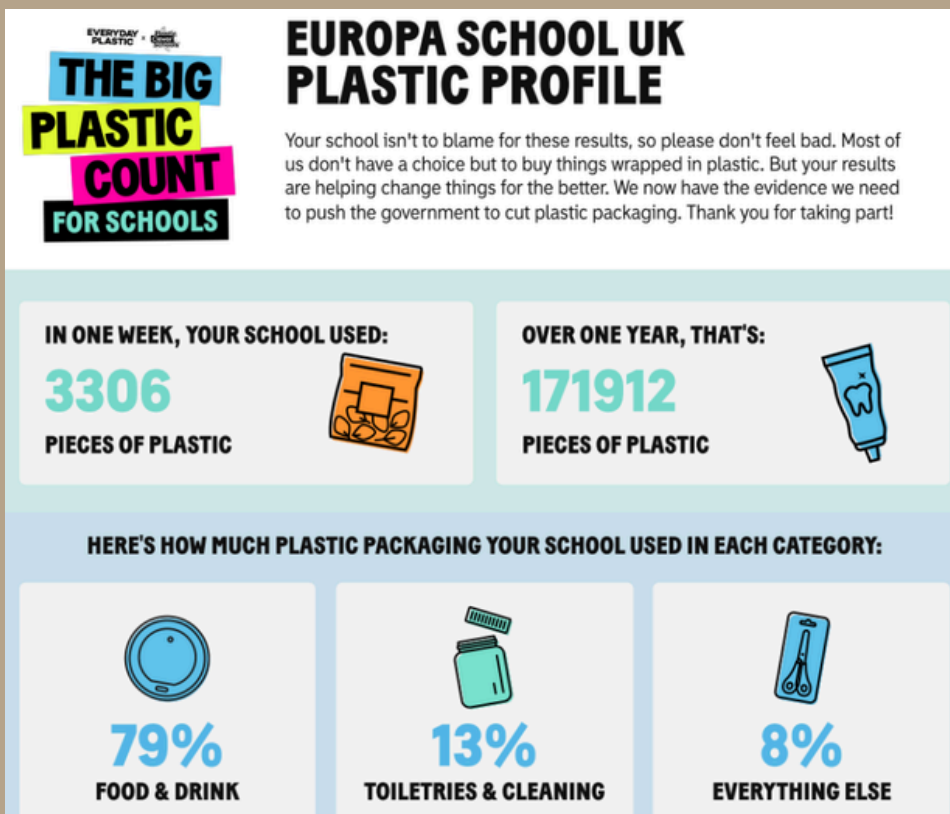
Red Cabbage, rubbery and playdoughy, Savoy Cabbage crinkly and bumpy and rooty. Sweetheart Cabbage smooth, feels like a pancake and yummy and this was my favourite.

red cabbages - rubbery - playdoughy, sticky.  
savoy cabbage - bumpy, crinkly, feels like roots  
sweetheart cabbage - rubbery, sticky, yummy.



Red Cabbage: Tubbery, sticky and boring! Savoy Cabbage: bumpy. Sweetheart Cabbage: light!

## The Big Plastic Count - Results



Thank you very much to all the families who took part in the Big Plastic Count initiative. Here are our school results based on the 47 entries.

As soon as the national results are available, we will share them with you!

# Wanted!



Among DIY activities: papier mâché, painting, collage and confettis making , our little artists in Reception will create the new signage in the Mediatheque and they need your help to collect their materials .



Please bring the recycling materials to the teachers before Friday 17th April

April



Preparing for...

**Music Flood  
Orchestra Day**

February 2027



Abingdon Music Centre (AMC) has been selected for an online fundraising campaign Arts for Impact that will match fund donations raised up to a maximum of £750 (Big Give allow AMC to keep any donations exceeding £750).

All donations during this campaign will be used to support AMC's development work with local primary schools as part of Music Flood.

As a school involved in the February Music Flood Orchestral Day at Silk Hall, Radley College, pupils in Music Flood partnership schools who are learning an instrument, rehearse in their schools then perform together on Music Flood Orchestra Days, supported by secondary student mentors and professional musicians.

This massed orchestra comprises over 260 young people from local Abingdon schools, with musical parts individually scored based on their musical level.

All donations received during this campaign will be used to prepare primary pupils for the February 2027 Music Flood Orchestra Day.

[AbingdonMusicCentre-Music Flood Orchestra Feb 2027-Big Give](#)

# Useful Dates

## APRIL

- 13<sup>th</sup> Summer Term starts
- 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> Y4 Residential
- 15<sup>th</sup> Y5 & 6 Anti Racism Workshops
- 16<sup>th</sup> 3EE 1<sup>st</sup> Swimming session
- 16<sup>th</sup> 2DE Goethe Institute Trip - London
- 17<sup>th</sup> PC Ben Talks, Y3 & Y1
- 21<sup>st</sup> 3EE Holy Trinity Church trip
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Residential
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 3EE Swimming
- 24<sup>th</sup> 3FE & 3DE Holy Trinity Church trip
- 30<sup>th</sup> 3EE Swimming

## JUNE

- 1<sup>st</sup> Back to school
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Fun Run Y5 am/ Fun Run Y2 pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 3FE - Arboretum Trip
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Fun Run Y4 am/ Fun Run Y1 pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> Fun Run Y6 am/ Fun Run R pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> Workshops for Y5: Online Safety
- 4<sup>th</sup> 3EE Swimming
- 5<sup>th</sup> Fun Run Y3 am
- 5<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Science Oxford Trip
- 8<sup>th</sup> Goethe Exams A1 & B2J
- 9<sup>th</sup> Goethe Exams A2 & B1J
- 10<sup>th</sup> Sports Day (no parents)
- 11<sup>th</sup> 3EE Swimming
- 16<sup>th</sup> 3DE/3EE Arboretum Trip
- 16<sup>th</sup> Year 1 - Cotswold Wildlife Park Trip
- 17<sup>th</sup> Transition Day
- 18<sup>th</sup> Year 4 - Tring Museum Trip
- 18<sup>th</sup> 3EE Swimming
- 18<sup>th</sup> Y6 Transition morning in Secondary

## MAY

- 1st PTA International Day - Schuman Hall
- 4<sup>th</sup> Early Bank Holiday
- 6<sup>th</sup> A1 DELF Exams
- 7<sup>th</sup> A2 DELF Exams
- 7<sup>th</sup> 3EE Swimming
- 11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATs
- 12<sup>th</sup> Y2 Beale Park Trip
- 14<sup>th</sup> 3EE Swimming
- 19<sup>th</sup> Reception: Vision Screening (Schuman)
- 21<sup>st</sup> Reception: Farmer Gows Trip
- 21<sup>st</sup> 3EE Swimming
- 22<sup>nd</sup> INSET DAY
- 22<sup>nd</sup> DELE Exams (on INSET DAY)

## JUNE (continued..)

- 23<sup>rd</sup> Y6 Workshops: Drugs & Alcohol
- 25<sup>th</sup> 3EE Swimming (last session)

## JULY

- 7<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term
- 7<sup>th</sup> Leavers Assembly for Year 6 followed by snacks in the Sunken Garden (approx 2.30pm)
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