



## Author Visit: Nadia Shireen



In celebration of World Book Day, Key Stage Two classes attended a very special assembly given by the author and illustrator, Nadia Shireen. Everyone was excited to hear about the things that inspire Nadia's writing and enjoyed a demonstration of her illustrations. Nadia finished the afternoon by signing copies of her books from the Grimwood series.



## Calling All Aspiring Artists

**The Royal Academy of Art** is looking for entries to their Young Artists' Summer Show. Artists aged 4-19 can submit work which may include drawing, painting, printing, photography, sculpture, textile, fashion, animation, video or any other medium they wish. Create your masterpiece and hand it in to Miss Wallis or Miss Bindloss **before Monday 25th March**. Parents and Carers please sign a permission slip; your child will receive a letter from their class teacher.

Let's enjoy getting creative!

For more information, please see the Royal Academy's website: [youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk](http://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk)

### Best Attendance

Week Beginning 19th February

EYFS: Reception Oak 98.8%

KS2: 5 Linden 98.9%

### Week Beginning 26th February

EYFS: Reception Oak 97.6%

KS2: 5 Birch and 6 Iroko 98.9%

*Well done, everyone - Keep up the good work!*



## Electrifying Science

Year 6 have begun a new Science unit on electricity. The children are building on what they learnt in Year 4 and developing their scientific understanding in this area. This week they worked with learning partners to test a number of different circuits. They recorded circuits by drawing circuit diagrams using the recognised symbols for batteries, wires and bulbs. There was some fantastic science talk and discussion.

## Certificates of Achievement

Well done to our most recent certificate winners who were nominated for achieving well in their learning or behaviour. The certificates will be presented in assembly:

**Nursery:** Emilia, Ilyas, Munira, Ibrahim, Fatima, Yusuf, Kalil and Amel

**Reception:** Mohammed-Kaysan, Safa, Aaron, Joey, Zephyr and Nuh

**Year 1:** Joe, Daran, Thiago, Hafsa, Rayan, Yusuf and Ijaz

**Year 2:** Mishkaat, Muhammad A, Maheera, Zayaan, Juwayriyah, Osman, Yusayrah, Nada, Naima, Idris, Karim, Adam M and Omar

**Year 3:** Aurora, Lily-Rose, Musa, Isra, Riley, Eleas and Haider

**Year 4:** Adham H, Safa, Ibraheem, Isra, Ryan, Musa, Mya-Rose, Taiba, Zachary M and Aysha

**Year 5:** Imran, Humayra B, Shafie, Adam, Samia, Nezar, Abdulrahman and Irfan

**Year 6:** Ahmed, Afsana, Callum, Yunus, Adam and Sahra B



## Handwriting Awards

Children who have improved their handwriting in all work will be awarded a handwriting pencil. For consistently neat, joined handwriting across all work, children will be awarded a handwriting pen. Well done to the following children, who will receive their pens in assembly.

**Year 6:**  
Siwoo and Laila



## Term Dates

**MAKE SURE ALL HOLIDAYS OR JOURNEYS ABROAD ARE BOOKED IN SCHOOL HOLIDAY TIME. HOLIDAY LEAVE DURING TERM TIME WILL NOT BE GRANTED.**

2023 – 2024 Academic Year

### SPRING TERM 2024

Staff INSET Day	Monday 8th January
Children Return	Tuesday 9th January
Half Term	Mon 12th to Fri 16th February
Children return	Monday 19th February
Last day of term	Thursday 28th March

### SUMMER TERM 2024

Staff INSET Day	Monday 17th April
Children Return	Tuesday 16th April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 6th May
Half Term	Mon 27th to Fri 31st May
Children Return	Monday 3rd June
Staff INSET Day	Monday 17th June
Last day of term	Wednesday 24th July

## Maths Star Badges



These badges are awarded to pupils for knowing all number bonds and times tables by heart so that they can recall them quickly. Well done to the following children, who will receive their badges in assembly:

### 1 star:

Aqiba, Umut, Adam, Zakaria, Abdirahman D

### 2 star:

Rayyan A

### 3 star:

Liyana, Riyana, Yusra, Luqman, Ariana, Zak H

### 5 star:

Jamil, Iyan, Taiba, Haider and Adam A