Reception We started the week with the Platinum Jubilee party! We enjoyed parading around the other year groups whilst wearing our crowns and waving our flags. We also liked eating the yummy party food-what a treat! We have made special memories this week that will stay with us forever! In English, we have been writing about our favourite part of the day or something we have learnt about the Queen this half term. In Maths, we have been finding number bonds to 10. In PE, we are continuing to prepare for sports day. The children are split into their houses each week and rotate around 4 stations to ensure they practise each skill. It has been great to see children showing determination and working as part of a team. We hope you have a lovely week off! The Early Years team.

Year 1 Year 1 have had a really good week. We had a super day on Monday celebrating the Queen's Jubilee, we made flags and fabulous crowns wear. We also loved decorating our lunch boxes and eating the special cakes. In maths, we have been completing maths assessments to check our understanding and learning. In English, we have been writing our own stories about the Queen's birthday crown and using adjectives to describe our crowns. In history, we have been writing about what we would do if we were King or Queen for a day. In PSHE, we have been learning about things that should and should not be kept secret. Year 1 are having their phonics screening check after half term, so please continue to read over the school break.

Year 2 This week our main focus in Year 2 has been on making our salad! In English, we wrote the recipes for our salads by focusing on imperative verbs and correct spellings to use in our work. We planned our work before we wrote it and then, in our neatest handwriting and presentation, wrote a final draft to be displayed in a Year 2 recipe book! The children all took really good care of themselves whilst using the knives, graters and peelers and we are really proud of their attitude towards keeping themselves and each other safe! We hope you and the children have a safe and relaxing half term, we look forward to welcoming you bank after the bank holiday weekend!

Year 3 What a great week we have had in Year 3. We have continued with our learning of fractions, focusing on how to add and subtract these. The students are really becoming fraction masters! During English, we revisited character descriptions, choosing our favourite book characters to write about. The students showcased how much progress they have made since the start of the term - and we were especially impressed by their use of adverbs and adjectives. Moreover, we finalised our wonderful dances and performed them in front of the camera! We are sure we have some future dancers in the midst! In addition, if that was not jam packed enough... we celebrated the Queen's Jubilee and welcomed many of the lovely parents to join us. The students loved the chance to dance all together and enjoy their treats. Keep up the good work Year 3.

Year 4 Despite it only being a four-day week at school, rest assured we have still managed to fit in a whole lot of learning! Maths continues to be all about fractions, using the language whole and part to help the children identify the numerator and the denominator has been very useful. The children are becoming increasingly confident with their understanding of fractions. English lessons have been a flurry of activity with the children researching, writing and compiling their own non-Chronological reports on Vikings. We have been particularly impressed with the fun and inventive sub-headings they came up with. We sadly say goodbye to Miss Davies this week but wish her well on her impending motherhood. Have a wonderful and restful half term.

Year 5 Year 5 have shown true resilience and determination this week after completing many end of term assessments. Well done to both classes! It has been a pleasure to see the effort put into the homework this week also and seeing the pride on the children's faces as they talked us through their creations, posters, fact files and even music videos! The creativity did not stop there, both classes have wowed us with their ability to produce one-point perspective drawings in Art. After all their hard work, we wish everyone a lovely, sunny and fun-filled half term!

Year 6 Another amazing week in Year 6 and lots to celebrate!! In English, we are now practicing writing the various different features of the balanced argument. We are practicing our geometry skills in Maths and using protractor to make a square. In History, we have made a fact file on Alexander the Great. Auditions for Year 6 production are completed and the next stage will be the selection of the actors, singers and dancers. KS2 Sports Day runners are also being selected ahead of the Sports Day. Lastly, it was great to meet parents for the Jubilee celebrations

Music The Word of the Week is 'staccato'. This is an articulation marking meaning to shorten and separate the notes. It is shown by putting a dot under or over a note. We have been practising staccato articulation in our singing and playing. In Year 6 , we worked on some of our production songs. We also practised rhythms on the Samba instruments for the groove and added an introduction. In Year 5, we started to put our Kuku rhythms into a structure and learnt a new African song. In Year 4, we listened and appraised The Tuileries from Mussorgsky's 'Pictures at an Exhibition'. We identified the structure and made up our own B phrases on the glockenspiels. In Year 3, we played and recorded 'Hot Cross Buns' on the recorder as a whole unit! We also played the E-i-e-i-o bit from Old MacDonald. We had a go at playing a cuckoo sound to practise going from B to G. We watched a short version of Mozart's Opera, 'The Magic Flute'. Mozart loved operas!

