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Lawdale Junior School

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are looking forward to the October half term and have lots of fun activities planned. We have sent information about holiday clubs and events happening locally and we hope you find the information useful.

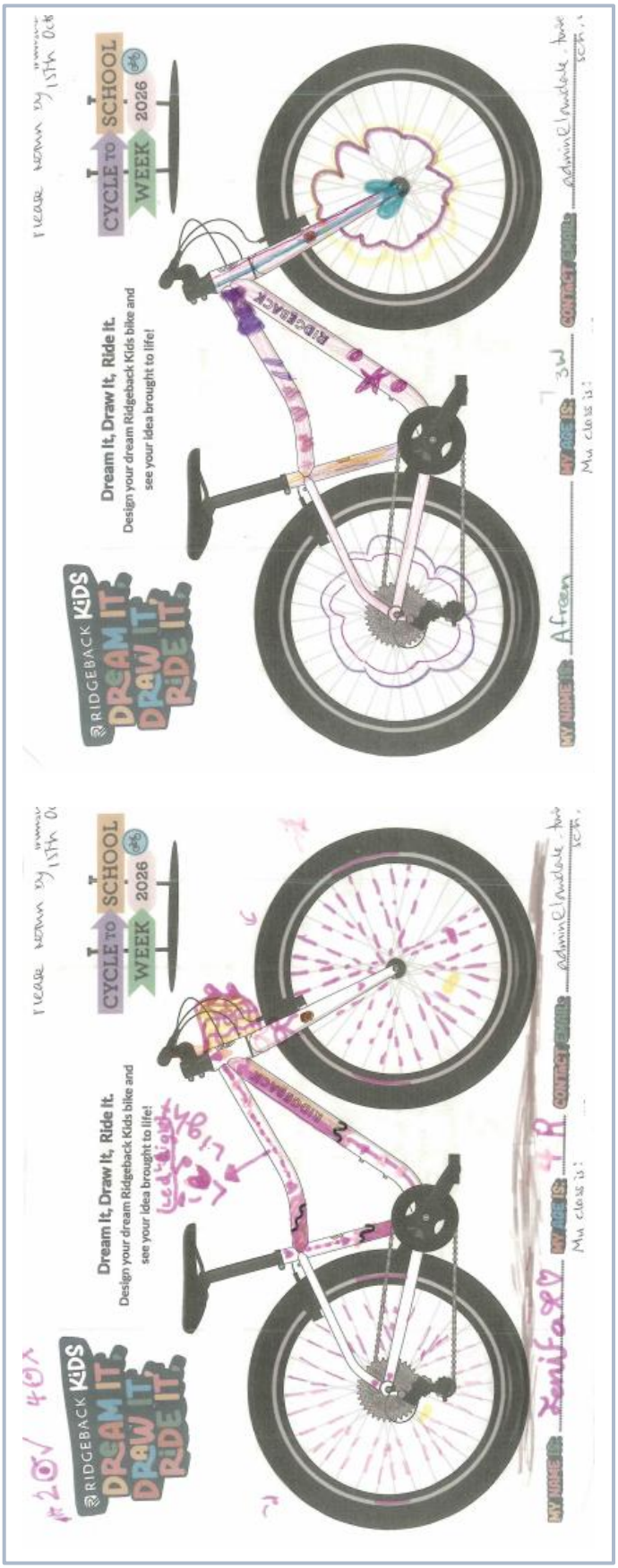
All of the children have been completing their termly assessments which we complete before the half term holidays. The next assessment periods will be in February and May. We use the information from the assessments to identify pupils who may need extra support or more challenge.

Attendance has been improving in recent weeks and is now at 95.9% so getting very close to our target of 96.3% so thankyou to parents and carers for ensuring the children come to school and on time. Our breakfast club and after school clubs are free so please make use of these facilities to support good attendance and enhance the educational opportunities for your child.

After the half term, we will be starting our new topics so please look out for the topic maps that we will be sending in the first week back.

I hope you all have a wonderful holiday and we look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 2nd November.

All the best
Annette Rook (Headteacher)



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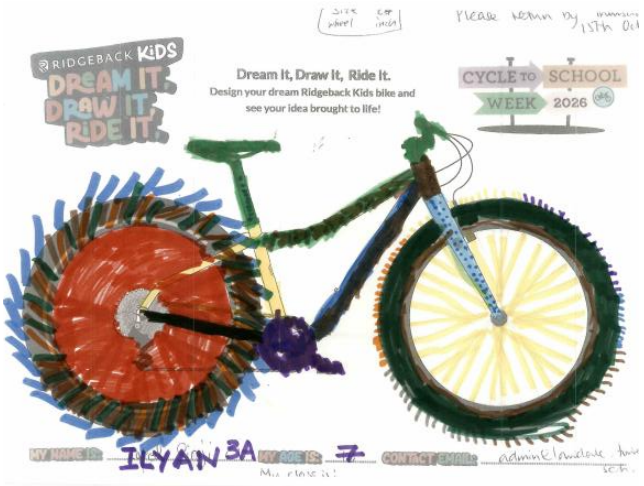
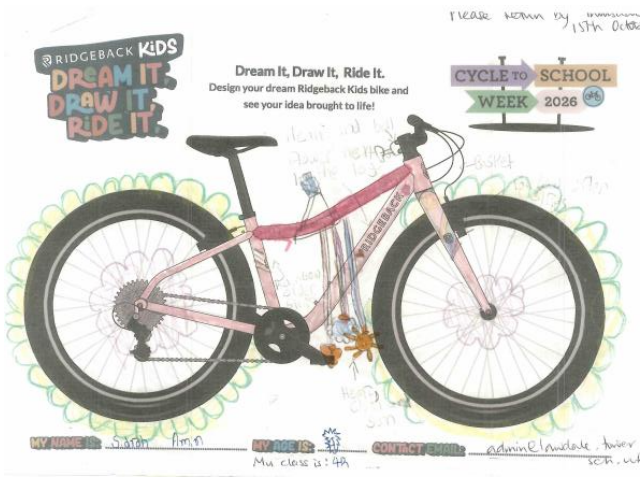
Dream It, Draw It, and Ride It bike competition

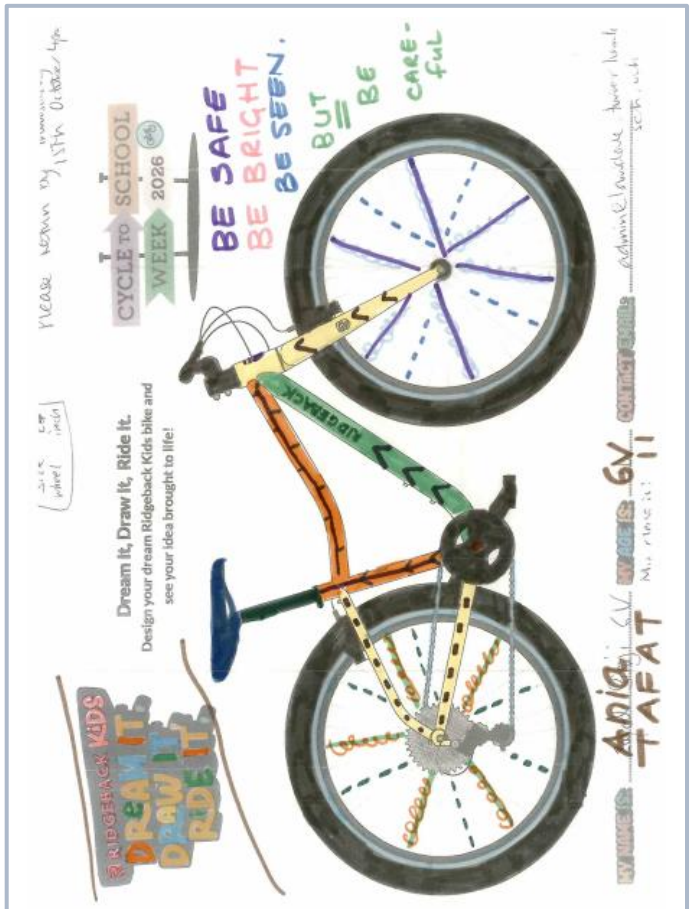
We are blown away by the incredible entries for our Dream It, Draw It, and Ride It bike competition.

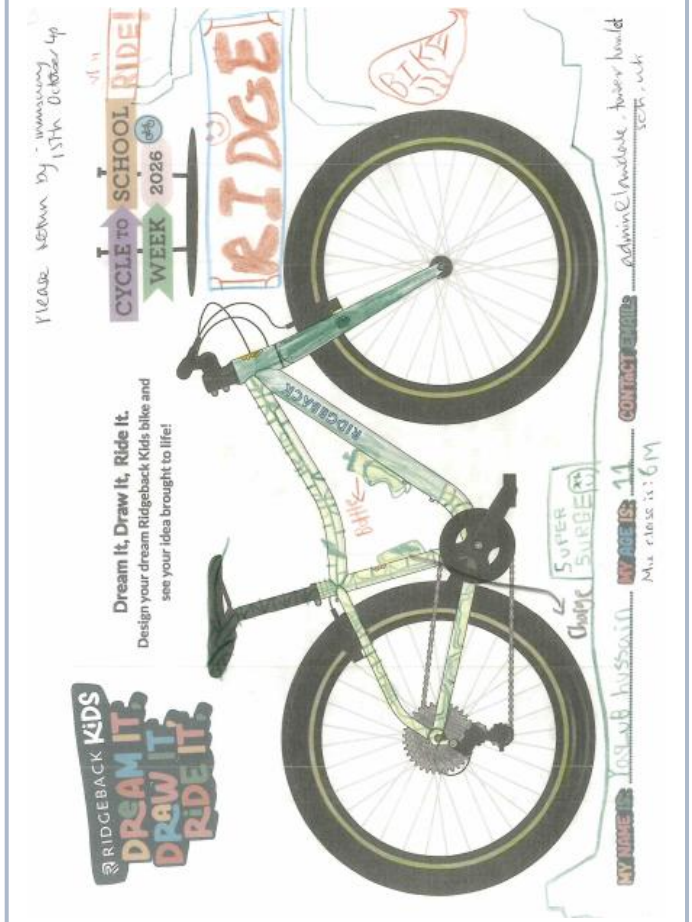
Our talented young designers aged 8 to 11 have been busy bringing their ultimate dream bikes to life. They handed in some beautifully coloured drawings packed with brilliant imagination. From vibrant colour schemes to innovative features, these kids are proving that the future of cycling looks incredibly bright.

Take a look at some of these fantastic submissions below.









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Science in Action: Year 4 at the Soane Centre

Our Year 4 pupils had a wonderful time exploring the natural world during their recent visit to the Soane Centre. The trip was a perfect extension of this half term's Science curriculum, which focuses on living things and their habitats.

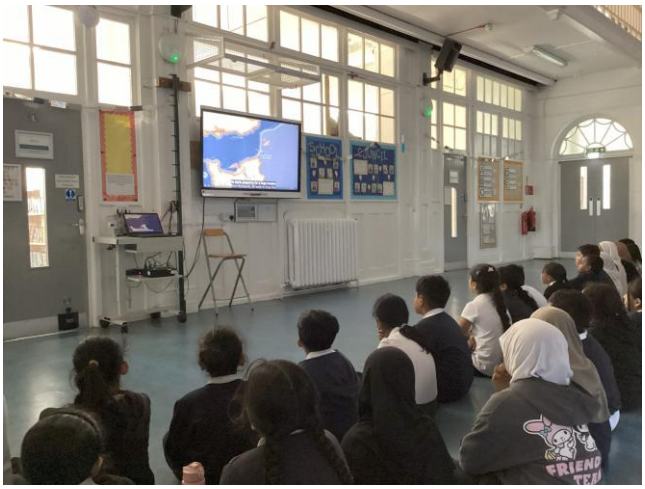
The children closely examined various organisms, classifying them into trees, invertebrates, and vertebrates. They also explored the vital relationship between living things and their environments, discussing what habitats provide for organisms and why things grow in the way they do. Their enthusiastic questions and sharp observation skills made the school proud!

Year 4 – Virtual British Museum Trip - History in the Making!

Our Year 4 classes recently took part in a remarkable live-broadcast session with the British Museum to view the legendary Bayeux Tapestry.

This spectacular 70-metre-long artwork tells the story of the Battle of Hastings in 1066 and is currently in the UK on a historic loan. Remarkably, it is the first time the tapestry has been moved out of France since it was crafted almost a millennium ago!

The children thoroughly enjoyed the session, marvelling at the detailed embroidery of horses, ships, and soldiers. It was a wonderful opportunity for our young historians to connect with a true wonder of the medieval world.



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Walk4Orphans Success!

Last Sunday, people from the 8th East London Scout Group laced up their trainers and took on a 5-mile sponsored walk from the East London Mosque all the way to the Regent's Park Mosque!

Why? To raise £12,000 to fully sponsor 10 Palestinian orphans for 3 years, providing them with vital security, dignity, and a brighter future.

A massive shoutout to Siyana, who did an incredible job raising just over £500 on her own fundraising page to support the cause!

Scout's Walk4Orphans : East London Mosque 2 Regent's Park Mosque |...

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Academic Year 2026 – 2027 Dates to Remember

Dates	Events
MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2026 TO FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2026 - SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF OF TERM	
Tuesday 3rd November	Year 3 Trip: Horniman Museum
Wednesday 4th November	DIWALI workshops
Monday 9th November	Inter Faith Week, Friendship Week – Odd Sock Day
Tuesday 10th November	NHS Flu vaccinations 12:30 pm
Monday 16th November	Road Safety Week & Math's Week
Tuesday 17th November	Year 2 Parents to visit
Wednesday 18th November	Bookfair
Thursday 19th November	RRS Non-Uniform Day
Tuesday 1st December	NHS Flu vaccinations 12:30 pm -Catch up Year 2 Parents to visit t.b.c **Parent Conference – School finishes at 1:30 pm**
Tuesday 8th December	Year 2 Parents Meeting t.b.c Elizabeth Selby Winter Fair
Wednesday 9th December	XMAS lunch
Thursday 10th December	Xmas jumper day & Parents Xmas Party in the house
Friday 11th December	Transition meeting with Year 2 parents at Elizabeth Selby t.b.c
Wednesday 16th December	Tickled Pink
Thursday 17th December	Bling up your bike Competition
Friday 18th December	Xmas Parties AM **School finishes at 1:30 pm**
MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2026 TO FRIDAY 1ST JANUARY 2027 - SCHOOL CLOSED - END OF TERM	
Monday 4th January	**SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY**
Monday 11th January	Assembly - Attendance Certificate and Prizes
Tuesday 12th January	Attendance Lunch Treat
Tuesday 19th January	Whole School Workshop: Positive choices NHS
Monday 25th January	Holocaust Memorial Day
Wednesday 27th January	RRS Assembly
Monday 1st February	Art Week
Tuesday 9th February	Safer Internet Day
MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2027 TO FRIDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2027 - SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF OF TERM	
Monday 22nd February	Sustrans Walk & Scoot to School Month
Thursday 25th February	Royal Ballet Event
Monday 1st March	Book Week
Thursday 4th March	World Book Day
Tuesday 9th March	**School Closed – Eid Ul-Fitr**
Wednesday 10th March	Eid Parties PM
Monday 22nd March	Easter Bonnet Parade
Friday 26th March	**School Closed – Bank holiday - Good Friday**
MONDAY 29TH MARCH 2027 TO FRIDAY 9TH APRIL 2027 - SCHOOL CLOSED - END OF TERM	
Tuesday 20th April	Attendance Lunch Treat Year 5 & 6

Wednesday 21st April	Attendance Lunch Treat Year 3 & 4
Monday 3rd May	**School Closed – Bank holiday**
Tuesday 4th May	World Asthma Day
Monday 17th May	**School Closed – Eid Ul-Adha**
Tuesday 18th May	Walk to School Week
Wednesday 19th May	National Numeracy Day
MONDAY 31ST MAY 2027 TO FRIDAY 4TH JUNE 2027 - SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF OF TERM	
Monday 7th June	Year 3 Parent Meeting: SRE
Tuesday 8th June	Year 4 Parent Meeting: SRE
Wednesday 9th June	Year 5 Parent Meeting: SRE
Friday 11th June	Year 6 Parent Meeting: SRE
Monday 14th June	Refugee Week & Science Week
Wednesday 16th June	Thank a teacher Day
Monday 21st June	Healthy School Event 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Tuesday 22nd June	Whole School Workshop: Understanding the importance of emotional wellbeing / resilience / transitions NHS
Monday 28th June	Meet the new class teacher
Thursday 1st July	Online Safety LA
Friday 2nd July	Year 2 Parents meet new Year 3 Teachers Year 6 transition Day to Secondary School
6th July 2026	**Parent Conference – School finishes at 1:30 pm**
Tuesday 6th July	Sports Day – Year 3 & 4 PM, Year 5 & 6 AM
Monday 12th July	Assembly - Attendance Certificate and Prizes Year 3 & 4 Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2:30 pm
Tuesday 13th July	Assembly - Attendance Certificate and Prizes Year 5 & 6 Year 6 Performance 2:30 pm
Wednesday 21st July	**End of Year School finished at 1:30 pm**
Thursday 22nd July	**SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY**
Friday 23rd July	**SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY**
MONDAY 26TH JULY 2027 – 31ST AUGUST 2027 - SCHOOL CLOSED - END OF TERM	