

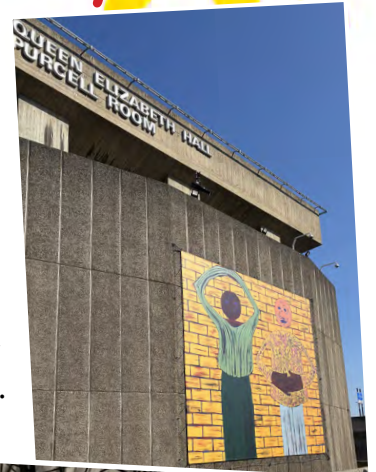


WEEK 2  
11th May

## Art Trip to The Hayward Gallery

On Thursday, 23rd April, our Year 10 and Year 12 Art students visited the Hayward Gallery to see the incredible work of Chiharu Shiota and Yin Xiuzhen.

This trip was a vital part of their GCSE and A-Level courses, giving students the chance to collect primary research and find inspiration for their portfolios. By exploring large-scale art focused on memory and identity, our students learned how to turn big ideas into creative projects. It was an amazing day and all students were fantastic representatives of Winchmore.



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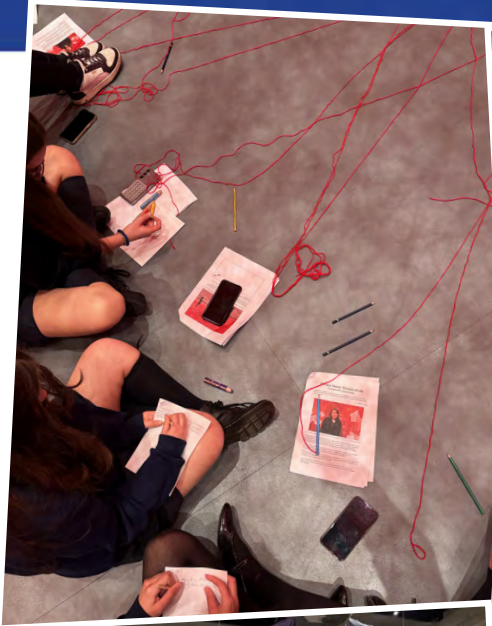


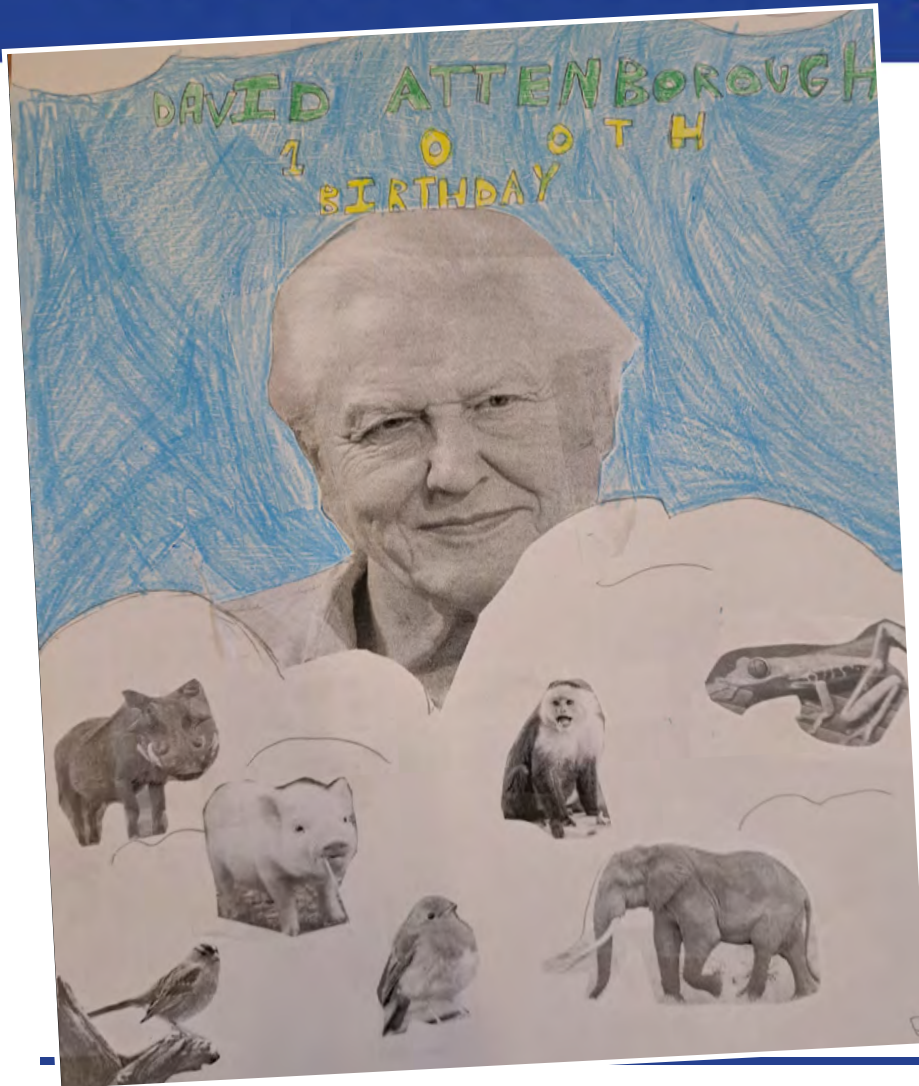
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# WINCHMORE WEEKLY





## Happy 100th Birthday Sir David Attenborough!

**Sir David Attenborough turned  
100 years old on the 8th May 2026**

We have been celebrating Sir David Attenborough's remarkable life during Form Time today and students had the opportunity to take part in a competition to win a £30 Amazon voucher with questions centred on Sir David's career.

The Library were also showing footage from some of Sir David's documentaries during break and lunch time.

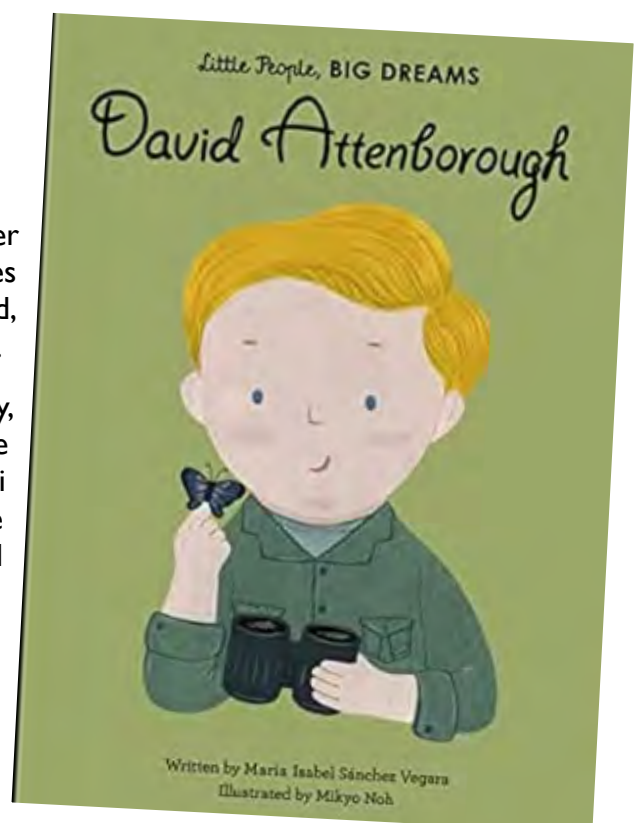
## Available in the Library...

**David Attenborough - Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara**

Discover the life of David Attenborough, the inspiring broadcaster and conservationist, at a landmark moment as the world celebrates his 100th birthday, in this book from the critically acclaimed, multimillion-copy bestselling Little People, BIG DREAMS series.

Little David grew up in Leicester on the campus of a university, where his father was a professor. As a child, he spent hours in the science library, collating his own specimens and creating a mini animal museum. When he was old enough to go to university, he studied science and zoology – but what he wanted most of all was to be close to the animals he was studying.

So, he started working in television, visiting animals in their natural habitats and telling the world the untold stories of these animals. Little David went on to become one of the most celebrated environmentalists on the planet, teaching generation after generation about the importance of the natural world.





## ZooLab Visit

Last week, we had some very special guests in the library! The Science Department welcomed the ZooLabUK team to Winchmore to enrich our students' understanding of biodiversity, adaptation, and ecosystems.

Hands-on learning experiences like this don't just teach facts - they spark curiosity and help students connect with the natural world in a meaningful way.



## GCSE Exams & Preparation sessions Schedule

During the week beginning Monday 11th May, students will be in school preparing for their GCSEs, in their normal timetabled lessons. From Tuesday students will be in their own clothes, and **must wear their Exam lanyard**.

The scheduled Summer 2026 GCSE examinations for next week are included below – students will need to refer to their own individual Exam Timetables for their specific exams. Each exam has at least 1 scheduled 'Exam Preparation' class which we would encourage all students to attend. *In addition, teaching staff will also be available during their regular 'scheduled' lessons throughout the exam season.*

Day	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May
Morning Exam (arrival time 08:10)	English Literature Paper 1 - Macbeth and Jekyll and Hyde	RE Paper 1 - Christianity and Islam	Geography Paper 1	Maths Paper 1 – HIGHER -Non-Calculator FOUNDATION - Calculator	History paper 1 – Germany and The Cold War
Preparation session (Date/time, teacher, room)	1:15pm Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> and 7:15am Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> YDE (wx2) – Room 87  3pm Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> JWH (wx1) – Room 73 NAZ (wx3) – Room 85 AWO (wx4) – Room 71 ESM (wx5) – Room 82 KSC (yz1) – Room 81 HGW (yz2) – Room 84 SBT (yz3) – Room 89 FMC (yz4) – Room 70 ONA (yz5) – Room 72	3pm Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> ANI (wx1 and yz4) - room 27 YAN (wx2, and yz3) - room 7 GDA (wx3 and yz2) - room 29 GPA (wx4 and yz1) - room 28  7am Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> YAN (all classes) - room 7	3pm Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> BYO (11A/Gg1) - room 23 KMA (11B/Gg1) – Room 24 NOZ (11B/Gg2) – Room 26 SSE (11C/Gg1 and 11wx/Gg1) - Room 25	3pm Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> RAB (wx1) – Room 62 AAK (wx2) – Room 69 DNI (wx3) – Room 64 SSA (wx4 and wx5) – Room 61 JLU (yz1) – Room 11 EBY (yz2) - Room 60 SDI (yz3) – Room 67 EPO (yz4) - Room 9 BAT (yz5) - Room 68	3pm Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> CKE (11A) – room 5 LBE (11B) – room 27 MMI (11C) – room 6 MFO (11yz) - room 23
Afternoon Exam (arrival time 12:40)	Business Paper 1 Health and Social Care (please see the Exams Officer if you have a clash)	Biology Paper 1	Computing Paper 1	German Writing	Sociology paper 2
Preparation session (Date/time, teacher, room)	<b>Business</b> 11:15am Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> MPI - Room Sc3  <b>H&amp;SC</b> 11:15am Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> LDY and KCO – Rooms 63 and 67	11:15am Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> HCE (wx1 combined, wx2 higher) – room 31 NDS (wx1a) - room Sc9 CKT (wx2 foundation, wx2a, wx3) – room Sc6 TCO (yz1 combined, yz2 higher) – room 23 BCZ (yz1a) – room 79 HJA (yz2 foundation, yz2a, yz3) - room 1 HLM(Separate) – room 5	11:20am Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> BAS (11B) – room 62 UBU (11C) - room 68  9am-1pm Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> UBU (11C) - room 3	11:15am Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> DBE – Room 73	11:15am Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> KAD (11B) - Room 30 LSO (11C) - Room 10

We are offering **Free Breakfast to Year 11 Students** while they are taking their exams. They can pick up a piece of fruit with a waffle or a flapjack from 7.45am every morning. **Just show your lanyard.**



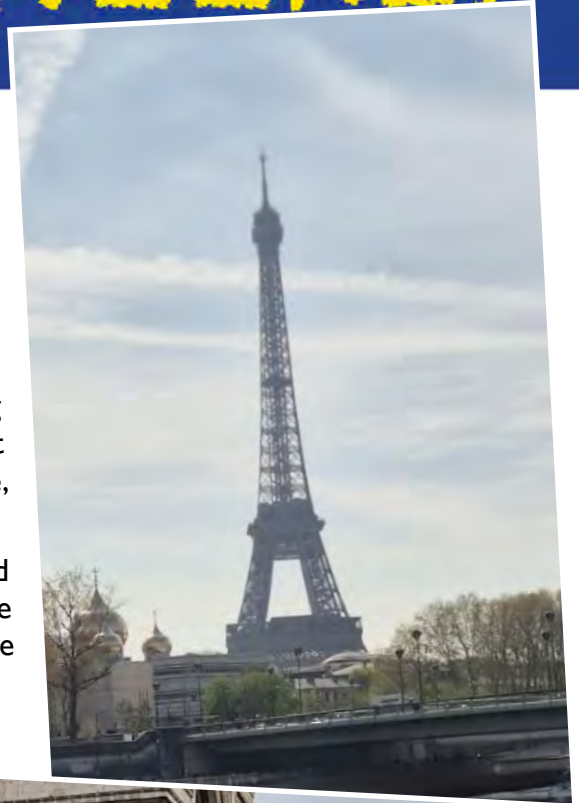
## Arrangements for the Exams

- Students will be expected to be in school in the Sports Hall Playground for 8:10am for morning exams. Please queue up in subject lines where it says '6th form' in the playground. We will be making a prompt start at 8.30am.
- For afternoon exams, you will need to be in the Sports Hall Playground for 12:40. We will be making a prompt start at 1pm.
- Before each Exam the Hand Bell will ring to signal students should be in their lines in the Sports Hall Playground and be quiet.
- In order to make a prompt start can you please make sure you already have your phones and watches off and in your bags as well as all electronic devices and airpods.
- **Have all your equipment ready** - Please bring all relevant equipment to each exam! 2 black pens, calculator, geometry set, ruler, highlighter etc. in a clear plastic pencil case/bag.
- **Lanyards must be worn** - so Invigilators can identify you.

## Paris Maths Trip Adventure

Before half term, students enjoyed an unforgettable Maths Trip to Paris 2026 packed with exciting experiences and real-life maths learning. Highlights included visiting the iconic Eiffel Tower, exploring interactive exhibits at Cité des Sciences et de l'Industrie — the largest science museum in Europe — taking a river cruise along the Seine, and enjoying a fantastic day at Disneyland Paris.

The trip gave students the opportunity to experience maths beyond the classroom, develop independence and teamwork, and create lifelong memories with friends. Students represented Winchmore School brilliantly throughout the trip.



## Welcome to MFL Corner!




The MFL Corner is dedicated to celebrating the joy of learning languages. Whether you are just beginning your journey or already love exploring new cultures, the MFL Corner is here to inspire, challenge, and entertain you.

In each edition, you'll discover something for everyone: a fun fact to spark your curiosity, an interesting word or expression to expand your vocabulary, and a playful challenge to try at home. With sections devoted to Spanish, German, and French, you'll have the chance to experience all three languages in a fresh and engaging way.

But this isn't just for students — we warmly invite parents and families to join in too! Why not learn a new word together, try out the challenge as a team, or test each other on the fun facts? Language learning is not only useful, but also creative, interactive, and, most importantly, fun.

So dive in, give it a go, and discover how languages can open doors to new ideas, cultures, and experiences. Enjoy the MFL Corner!

The MFL team

Week 1   05/26	Weekly Word	Fun Fact	Challenge
	<p><b>Mettre les points sur les i.</b></p> <p>Literal meaning: to put the dots on the i.</p> <p>English meaning: to make things perfectly clear/straight.</p>	<p>In France, people say hello to each other when entering a lift and “bon appétit” to strangers who are eating outside.</p>	<p>List all the countries where French is spoken.</p>
	<p>fleißig (adjective) - <b>unermüdlich und zielstrebig arbeitend, arbeitsam</b></p> <p>Despite the translation (this literally translates to fun bird), this has nothing to do with birds. Spaßvogel refers to the friend that's always entertaining, the one that's a bit of a joker.</p>	<p><b>German has a unique letter</b></p> <p>German uses the Latin alphabet. It has, however, an additional consonant: the ß, called “Eszett”. The letter never stands at the beginning of the word and, following a long vowel or diphthong, takes the form of a double-s.</p>	<p>Find 5 words in German with the letter ß.</p>
	<p><b>Hablando del Rey de Roma (por la puerta asoma).</b></p> <p>This literally means “Speaking of the King of Rome (through the door he appears)”. In modern times, the words in brackets are seldom used. This is the Spanish equivalent of saying:</p> <p><b>“Speak of the devil”</b></p>	<p>The name “Spain” is derived from when the Carthaginians arrived at the peninsula around 300 BC and appropriately called it Ispania, which meant <b>“land of the rabbits.”</b></p>	<p>Find out the only country in Africa in which Spanish is an official language.</p>



## Enfield Dance Festival

Before Easter KS3, KS4/5 and A-level dance clubs performed at the Enfield dance festival.

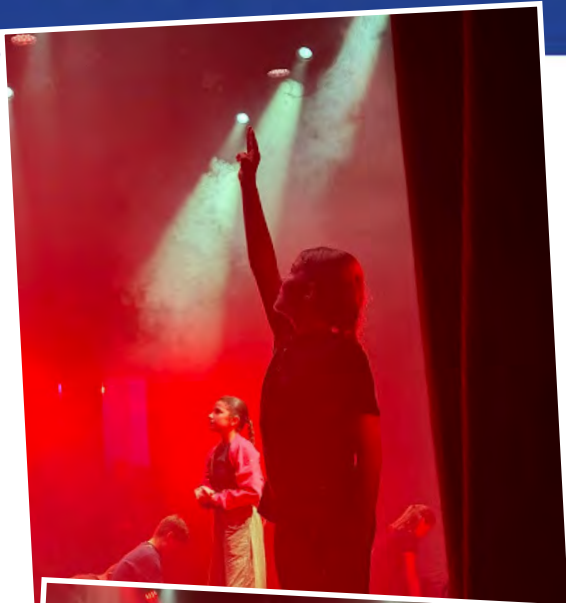
This year's theme was 'Idols'. Who do we idolise - those in power, or those who show true courage? KS3 dance club showed true courage by performing a thrilling piece inspired by Katniss Everdeen volunteering as a tribute in the 'Hunger Games'. The two-part dance is truly a wild game of survival .

KS4 & 5 dance club performed a piece inspired by the 'King of Rock 'n' Roll', Elvis Presley, the performance showcased Elvis' effortless swagger and bold stage presence, the dance was undeniably a great tribute to "The King".

A-level dancers presented an iconic Michael Jackson showcase, the dance highlights and celebrates Michael's incomparable style, precision and innovation that revolutionised the world of dance and music.

The 29th of April was international dance day which celebrates the diversity and harmony of dance across the globe. Dance is a language that can be spoken by all, dance unites people.

*"Dance is the hidden language of the soul"- Martha Graham.*



## Maths & Careers Day Year 8 & 9

Year 8 and Year 9 students recently took part in our Maths & Careers Day, where they explored how maths is used in a wide range of careers and real-life situations. The sessions helped students develop a greater understanding of the importance of numeracy skills in future education and employment.

Students showed excellent participation and enthusiasm throughout the day. Thank you to all staff and visitors who supported the event.



## HSBC Financial Capability Numeracy Day – Year 7

Year 7 students took part in an engaging Financial Capability session this week, delivered by the HSBC UK Education team. Through the interactive Gaming 4 Good workshop, students explored important topics such as budgeting, value for money, online safety, fraud, and identity theft.

Students participated enthusiastically and showed excellent engagement throughout the sessions. Thank you to HSBC and all staff involved in supporting the event.





## Year 8 Robotics Workshop

### LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

Library

Careers Drop In Session

Wellbeing Hub - crochet, card games, colouring

### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Library - After school - 3pm to 4pm

Coding Club Room 3 - 3pm to 3:50pm- Miss Askin (First come basis only 20 spaces)

Art club - 3:10pm to 4 pm in A4, Mr Cockerill, Mrs Penny-Annang

Year 10 Drama booster - DRI 3-4pm Mrs Kazim

Year 13 Psychology Intervention - S5 2-4pm Miss Tang

### LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

Library

Careers Drop In Session

Wellbeing Hub - crochet, card games, colouring

### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Library - After school - 3pm to 4pm

Duke of Edinburgh Award (Bronze and Silver) Support

- Careers Office 3pm to 4pm

Fitness Club - Years 9-11 3 to 4pm - Fitness Suite - Mr Miller

Table Tennis - Years 7-11 3 to 4.15pm - Gym - Mr Atu

KS4/5 Dance DAI Miss Smith 3:15pm-4:30pm

KS3 Drama /summer concert club 3 to 4pm DRI

KS5 Media Intervention- RM 88 3:15-4:15

Grease the Musical Auditions for Acting and Singing - 3:15-4:30pm Dance and Drama Studios



## TRIP: Year 8 History trip to Hampton Court



### LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

Library

Wellbeing Hub - crochet, card games, colouring - BOOK CLUB

### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Library - After school - 3pm to 4pm

Industrial Cadets 3pm to 4pm

## LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

**Library** - Silent Reading  
**Year 9 Drama Booster session** - 1.30pm in DRI with Mrs Goddard  
**Wellbeing Hub** - crochet, card games, colouring  
**Christian Club** - Room 23

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

**Library** - After school - 3pm to 4pm  
**Fitness Club** - Years 9-11 3 to 4pm - Fitness Suite - Mr Miller  
**Guitar Club and KS3 Band** in M1 - 3.15-4.15pm - Mr White  
**Grease the Musical Auditions for Dancing** - 3:15-4:30pm Dance Studios



## LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

**Library**  
**Wellbeing Hub** - crochet, card games, colouring

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

**Dance Club Year 7-9** - 3.15 to 4.15pm in DAI- Miss Smith  
**Winchmore Tabletop Society** Room 88 3pm to 4:30pm  
- Miss Davis, Mr Pohl, Mr Menda, Miss Zamora and Mr Melling  
**Yr 10 IMedia support** - 3pm

## WINCHMORE'S WOW! WORD OF THE WEEK

# Ambiguity

Week beginning: 11th May



**Word Class** Noun

**Meaning** The quality of being open to more than one interpretation; it is when a word, phrase, or situation is inexact or unclear.

**Phonetic Pronunciation:** am-bi-GYOO-ih-tee

**Root Word:** Derived from the Latin *ambiguus*, meaning "doubtful" or "wandering."

- Examples**
- Shorelines are ambiguous boundaries because they change constantly based on the tide and erosion.
  - The poet used ambiguity in the final line to leave the reader wondering if the protagonist survived or perished.
  - The contract was criticized for its ambiguity, as it didn't clearly state who was responsible for the repairs.

**Challenge** A single sentence can be interpreted in two ways:

**"The lady hit the man with an umbrella."**

- **Interpretation A:** She used the umbrella as a weapon to hit him.
- **Interpretation B:** She hit a man who happened to be holding an umbrella.

Can you write a sentence that is intentionally **ambiguous**?

THE  
WINCHMORE SCHOOL  
PERFORMING ARTS FACULTY PRESENTS...



*Auditions  
for Acting & Singing  
Tuesday 12th May  
3.15-4.30pm  
Drama/Dance Studios*

*Auditions  
for Dancing  
Thursday 14th May  
3.15-4.30pm  
Drama/Dance Studios*

ALL WELCOME - GOOGLE SIGN UP OR TURN UP ON THE DAY!

**ACT • SING • DANCE**

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## NUMBER OF THE WEEK



**eight** 

A strong number that stands for **balance, success** and new **beginnings!**

**LINK TO A SPECIAL DATE!**



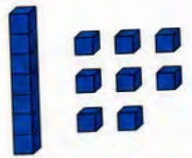
**8th MAY**  
**VE DAY**  
(Victory in Europe Day)



8 May 1945 marks the end of World War II in Europe.  
A day of peace and celebration.

Let's remember the past and celebrate peace! 

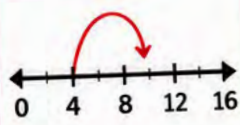
**TENS AND ONES**



0 tens 8 ones

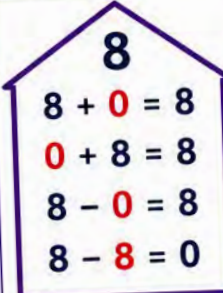
8 is made up of 0 tens and 8 ones.

**NUMBER LINE**



8 comes after 7 and before 9.

**FACT FAMILY**




8

$8 + 0 = 8$   
 $0 + 8 = 8$   
 $8 - 0 = 8$   
 $8 - 8 = 0$

**EVEN OR ODD?**

8 is **EVEN**

It can be shared equally into 2 groups.



**FACTORS OF 8**




Factors of 8:

**1, 2, 4, 8**

Pairs:

$1 \times 8 = 8$   
 $2 \times 4 = 8$

**WHY IS 8 IMPORTANT?**

-  8 is a number of achievement and milestones.
-  It appears in many patterns in nature and life.
-  It helps us solve problems and make smart choices every day!




**IN REAL LIFE**

-  Spiders have 8 legs.
-  Octopuses have 8 arms.
-  The 8-ball is a famous pool ball.

**AROUND THE WORLD**

-  The Olympic symbol has 8 rings.
-  Many cultures use 8 as a lucky number.
-  In Buddhism, the Noble Eightfold Path guides life.

**MATHS IN REAL LIFE**

-  A standard clock has 8 main hours.
-  A pizza cut into 8 slices.
-  Some traffic lights have 8-second countdowns.

**★ CHALLENGE QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

 A regular octagon has 8 sides. If 3 octagons, 2 hexagons, and 4 pentagons are combined together, how many sides are there altogether?

  $\times 3$   
  $\times 2$   
  $\times 4$

**BONUS CHALLENGE**  
Can you create your own shape pattern that totals exactly 100 sides?

**100**