

Success Academy Trust Newsletter

Summer 2026

Celebration

SUCCESS 

**Bringing our schools together
with
proud moments and highlights**



BUILDING
LEADERSHIP AND
CHARACTER
TOGETHER



This academic year has seen a wealth of celebration across Success Academy Trust, from the academic to the achievements at the heart of our vision to Build Leadership and Character Together.

A taste of these celebrations are shared with you here, so that you can read about some of the success within our schools and within our wider Trust.

We are so very proud of our amazing pupils and staff who achieve great things on a daily basis as they grow into young adults who are on course to become successful citizens and future leaders.

Special congratulations this term go to Hallbrook Primary School for their great Ofsted report, bringing all of our Success Academy schools and preschools to good Ofsted benchmarks. They have worked incredibly hard to improve their provision and outcomes this year, and we are very proud of them.

We wish you a very happy summer season.
Warmest wishes,

Mandi Collins, Trust Leader

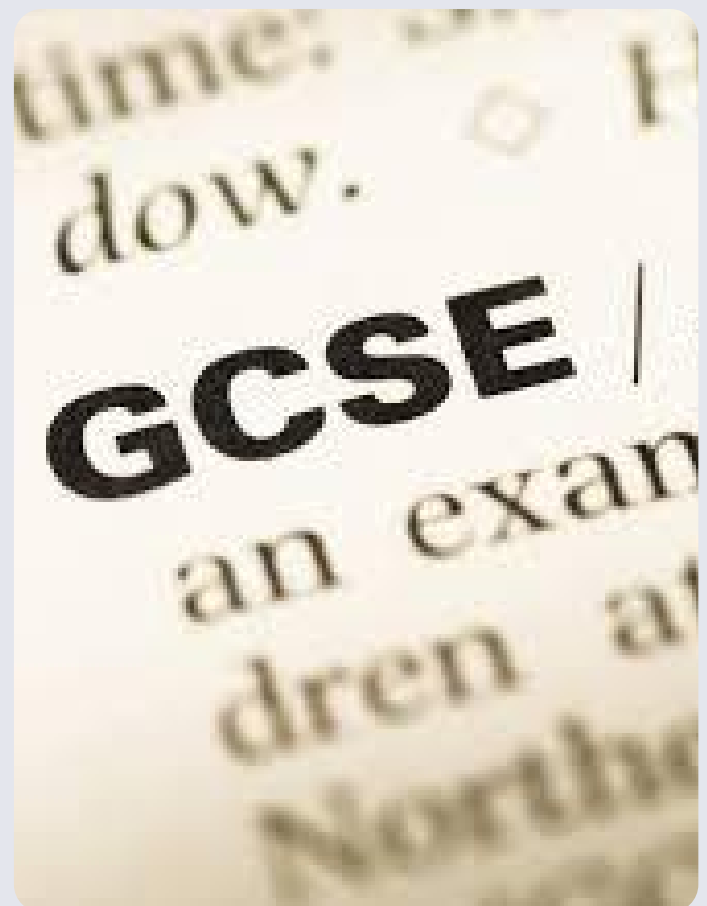
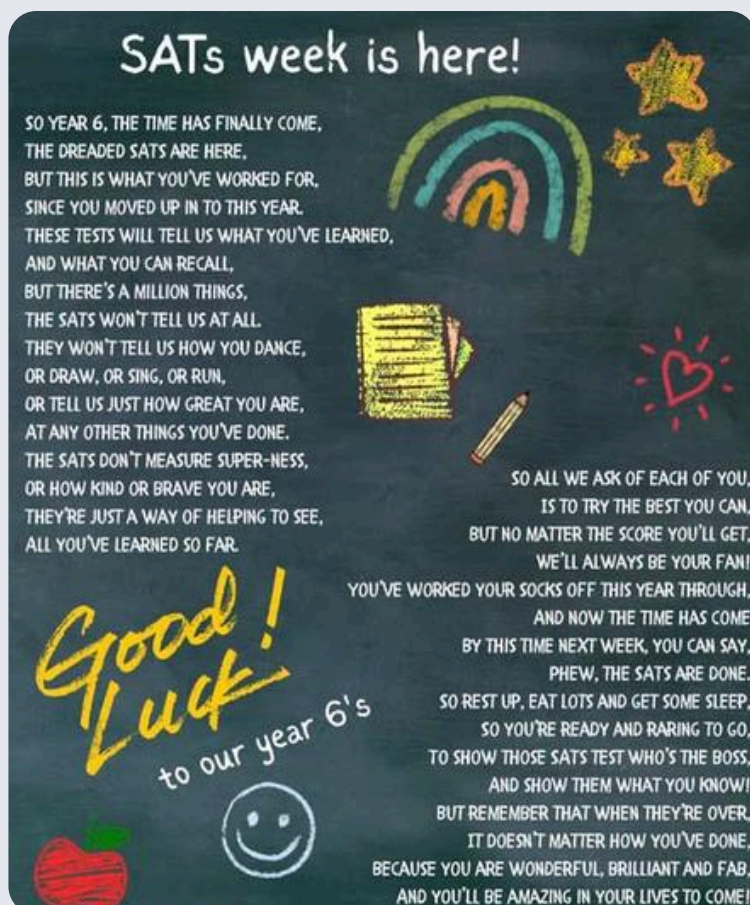


A Moment to Celebrate Hard Work and Determination

A huge well done to all schools, staff and students who
have worked so hard throughout the
SATs and GCSE exam season!

Your resilience, determination and teamwork have shone
through during what can be a challenging time.

We hope everyone is now able to take a well – earned
moment to pause and enjoy the sense of achievement.



Celebrations at the Heart of Our Trust

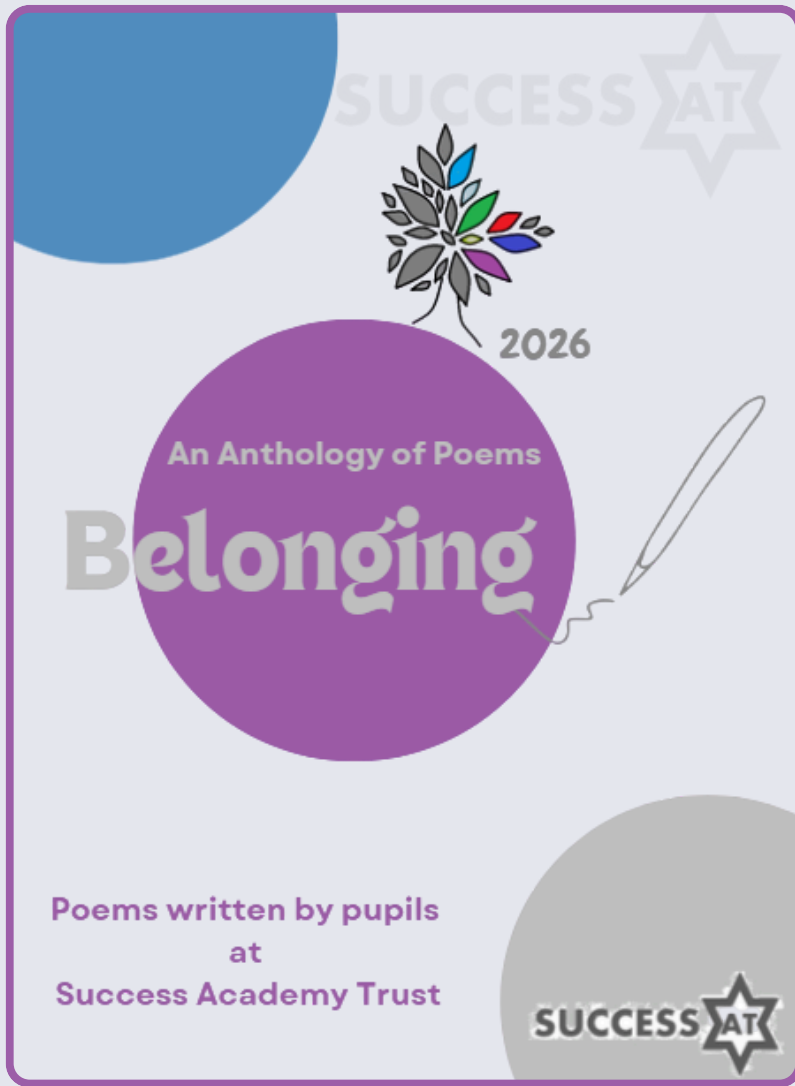
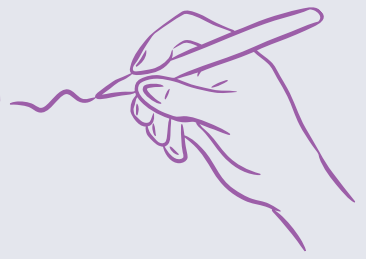
We ended the year with the Success academy Trust
Character Awards Evening...



Celebrations at the Heart of Our Trust



TRUST POETRY COMPETITION



CELEBRATING POETRY ACROSS SUCCESS ACADEMY TRUST

SUCCESS ACADEMY TRUST WAS THRILLED TO HOST THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL TRUST POETRY COMPETITION WINNERS AT HALLBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL IN APRIL.

EACH WINNER SHARED THEIR POWERFUL POEMS ON THE THEME OF BELONGING WITH AN AUDIENCE OF TRUST STAFF AND PARENTS. IT WAS A TRULY SPECIAL EVENING, FILLED WITH THOUGHTFUL WORDS, BRAVE PERFORMANCES, AND A STRONG SENSE OF COMMUNITY.

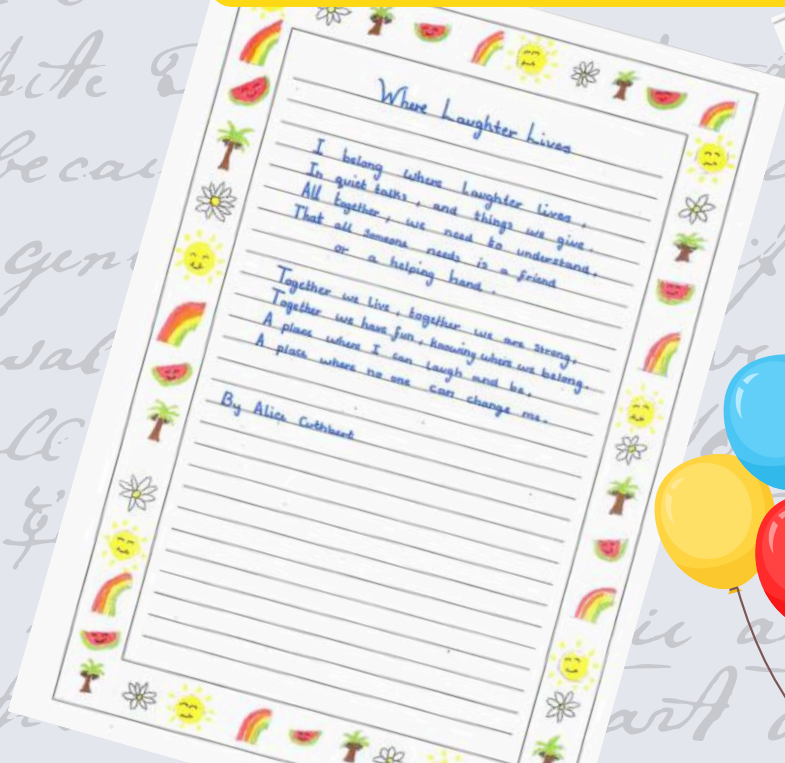
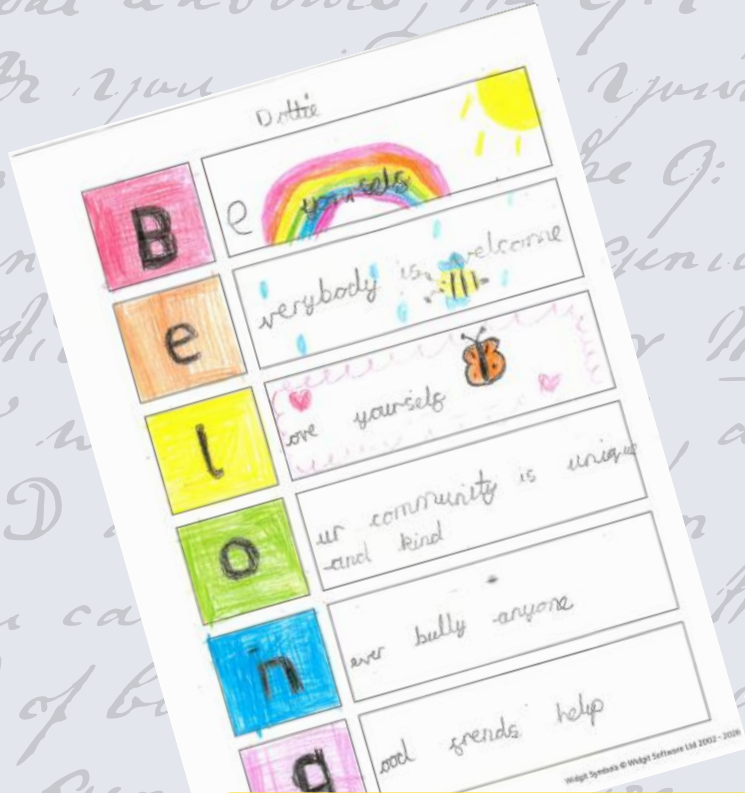
MRS COLLINS - OUR TRUST LEADER SHARED A POWERFUL REFLECTION ON WHY BELONGING SITS AT THE HEART OF LIFE IN OUR TRUST SCHOOLS - HIGHLIGHTING HOW STRONG RELATIONSHIPS, INCLUSION AND SHARED VALUES HELP EVERY CHILD TO THRIVE.

THE WINNING POEMS ARE NOW BEING LOVINGLY BROUGHT TOGETHER INTO A TRUST ANTHOLOGY, WHICH WILL BE SHARED ACROSS OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITIES SO THAT ALL PUPILS CAN ENJOY AND BE INSPIRED BY THIS WORK.

WE ARE INCREDIBLY PROUD OF EVERY CHILD WHO TOOK PART. THE LEADERSHIP, CHARACTER AND CONFIDENCE SHOWN BY OUR PUPILS WAS A JOY TO SEE, MAKING THE EVENING A MEMORABLE CELEBRATION. WELL DONE TO ALL INVOLVED!



A FEW OF THE ENTRANTS POEMS...



Thomas Estley Community College



NATIONAL CUP CHAMPIONS!
The Year 8 girls football team are officially the Sisters in Sport Schools National Cup Champions 2026!

Trip to Normandy in May



Students from The Oaks toured the Houses of Parliament. The day also included time to explore Westminster and enjoy lunch in Hyde Park.



UK Maths Trust

Year 8 pupils who took part in this year's UKMT Maths Challenge.



Thomas Estley's Glee choir were excited to sing at the De Montfort Hall at the end of April

Thomas Estley Community College



Our incredible Thomas Estley U13 boys football team retained their County Cup crown TWO YEARS IN A ROW!

Students who have recently achieved Gold and Platinum award for achieving high numbers of positive choices within our Thomas Estley Way



Our production of Mary Poppins Jr. A huge congratulations to our wonderfully talented performing students, who in April brought energy, charm, and heart to the stage from start to finish

**We will be celebrating 50 years of us on Saturday 12 September
Join us on the day
11am - 3pm**



Hallbrook Primary

Hallbrook Primary shared their fantastic OFSTED scorecard and report which is published on the national website.

As a school we are delighted that the significant improvement that has been made over the past two years has been recognised and that the school meets the expected standard across all areas of education with behaviour & attendance, and also personal development & wellbeing coming out as strong areas of the setting.



SCAN HERE

Celebration is certainly the word that comes to mind when reflecting on another incredibly successful year. The girl's team were crowned County Champions for the second year running and were also honoured with the South Leicestershire Team of the Year award – a fantastic achievement that highlights their dedication, talent and hard work throughout the year.



Hallbrook Primary

This year, we're **celebrating a fantastic collaboration** as Thomas Estley's student leaders take the lead in running an inspiring sports club at Hallbrook Primary – showcasing leadership, teamwork and a shared passion for keeping active across our school community

#keeponrunning



Celebration can be found in the impact our Eco-Committee continues to make within our school community.

They have established a student-run uniform swap to promote sustainability while supporting families with the increasing cost of school uniform. Held on the first Thursday of every month, the initiative gives families the opportunity to swap items or simply take the uniform they need, helping to reduce waste and make a positive difference to our community.



Celebration was at the heart of World Book Day this year, as our Reading Ambassadors took the lead in organising and running the popular Character Spoon competition.

They demonstrated fantastic leadership and teamwork by coordinating the event, promoting participation across the school, and taking responsibility for judging the entries.

Their enthusiasm and commitment helped make the day a great success and inspired a love of reading throughout our school community.



Cosby Primary

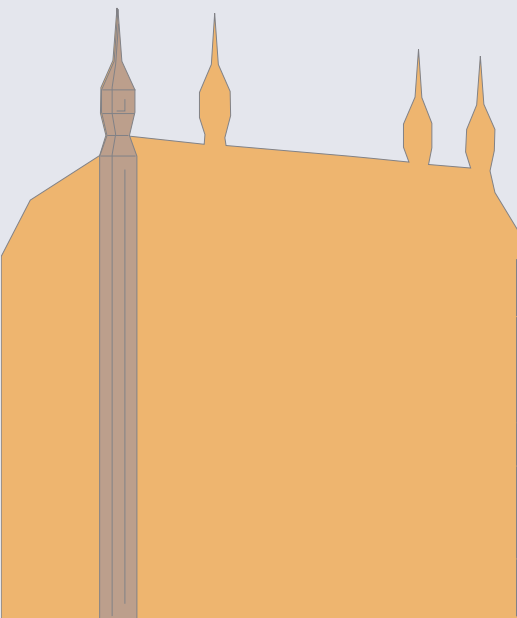
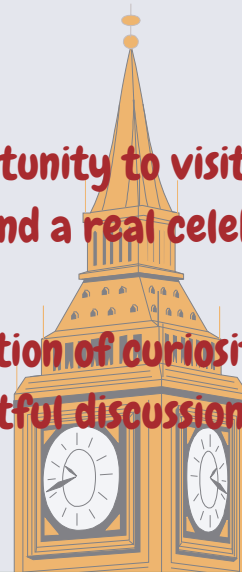


At the start of the summer term we celebrated the arrival of our adorable new chicks – bringing excitement, curiosity and lots of smiles to our children!

A Celebration of Learning at the Houses of Parliament

Our Leadership pupils recently had the fantastic opportunity to visit the iconic Houses of Parliament – a truly memorable experience and a real celebration of learning beyond the classroom.

The day was both educational and inspiring – a celebration of curiosity, knowledge, and active citizenship – and sparked thoughtful discussions that will continue back in the classroom.



Cosby Primary

Year Five Experience Day – A Celebration of New Beginnings

In a wonderful celebration of learning and transition, Thomas Estley were delighted to host a Year Five Experience Day, giving pupils a true taste of secondary life and helping to ease any worries about moving to a larger, more complex environment. Welcoming children from Broughton and Cosby Primary on Friday 26 June, the day was filled with excitement, discovery and confidence – building as students took their first steps into the next stage of their education.



HELLO

BONJOUR

We are proud of our Thomas Estley student leaders, who have been teaching Languages and Computing at Cosby Primary. We also continue to celebrate our strong partnership as we welcome their pupils onto site for a series of inspiring masterclasses and talent showcases, highlighting creativity, confidence and collaboration.



Richmond Primary



A Wonderful Summer Fair Celebration!

Our Summer Fair was a fantastic success, bringing families together for a joyful afternoon filled with fun, laughter and community spirit.

With a great mix of games, face painting, delicious treats and stalls, there was something for everyone to enjoy – and it was wonderful to see so many people taking part.



Celebrating Our PTFA Success!

A huge thank you to our incredible PTFA for making this year's Summer Fair such a wonderful success. Through their hard work, creativity and dedication, they raised an amazing £2,372 for our school!

Events like these don't just raise vital funds – they bring whole communities together and create lasting memories for the children and their families.

We are so grateful for the time, effort and enthusiasm that went into organising such a fantastic day.

Thank you to everyone who supported the fair – and especially to our brilliant PTFA team for making it all happen!





YEAR 3

GREEK DAY



Our Yr 3 pupils recently enjoyed a fantastic Ancient Greek Day, giving them the chance to **celebrate their learning** in a fun and memorable way.

Dressed in traditional costumes, they explored life in Ancient Greece through creative activities, myth – based drama and their own Mini Olympics.

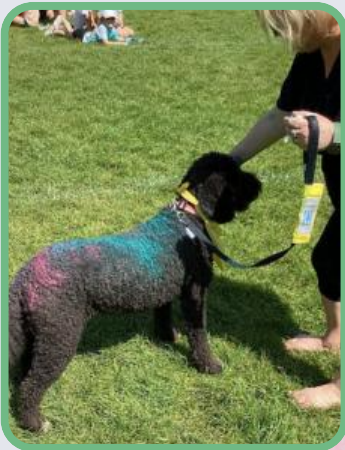
The day also included a Greek food tasting, helping pupils celebrate and experience the culture firsthand.

It was a wonderful day of learning, **creativity and celebration**



Colour Dash across our Trust

Raising money for
Leicester Children's
Holiday charity
(LCH)



Thomas Estley Pre-school

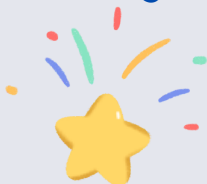


LET'S
CELEBRATE
you



At Thomas Estley Preschool, we've found plenty of reasons to **celebrate this year!** We started our journey in September by discovering what makes us special and **celebrating all our wonderful differences.** Since then, we've shared favourite stories, enjoyed Christmas magic with grandparents, pantomimes and festive feasts, and celebrated lots of achievements both big and small – from swimming medals to riding bikes without stabilisers. We've embraced messy play, unleashed our creativity, and had lots of fun along the way. Above all, we've celebrated friendship, teamwork, and growing together. What an amazing year it's been!

Nikki Sadler (Preschool Lead)



Out of School Club



At Out of School Club, we have had lots to **celebrate this year**, from receiving a Thomas Estley Leadership Award to earning a horse-riding award.

We are very proud of these achievements and the hard work that made them possible.

LEADERSHIP

SUCCESS 



Thomas Estley Learning Alliance

This Summer Term has been a celebration of collaboration, professional growth and the sharing of best practice across our partnership.

We have successfully facilitated 22 subject networks, hosted at both our TELA Learning Alliance schools and our TELA base, alongside a range of whole-school training opportunities and valuable external inputs.

These sessions have provided colleagues with the opportunity to connect, reflect and learn from one another, strengthening practice across our schools.

This term's focus: Sharing Best Practice
By bringing practitioners together to exchange ideas, strategies and experiences, we continue to build a strong culture of collaboration that benefits staff and ultimately improves outcomes for children and young people across our Trust and partnership.

Thank you to all colleagues who have hosted, presented and contributed to making these networks such a success. Their commitment to professional learning is truly worth celebrating.



#SuccessTogether

Our internal Trust networks focussed on improving reading and writing, common practices in Maths and SEND, sharing premises expertise across schools, and developing finance, sites, HR and sustainability across our Trust





Teacher Training

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2025–26 COHORT ON COMPLETING THEIR TEACHER TRAINING JOURNEY! THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, THEY HAVE DEMONSTRATED REMARKABLE PERSEVERANCE, RESILIENCE AND DEDICATION, EVEN WHEN FACED WITH CHALLENGES. HARD WORK AND COMMITMENT HAVE PAID OFF. WE ARE INCREDIBLY PROUD OF EVERYTHING YOU HAVE ACHIEVED. WISHING YOU EVERY SUCCESS AS YOU BEGIN THE NEXT EXCITING CHAPTER OF YOUR TEACHING CAREER – YOU'VE DONE IT!



TEACHER TRAINING

Have you ever thought about a career as a teacher right here in our community? Teachers have a unique opportunity to shape the futures of young people, inspire them, and help them reach their full potential.

TELA offers fantastic primary and secondary teacher training programmes designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge you need to make a real difference locally. Want to find out more about how to train to be a teacher with TELA? Contact Jo on 01455 283 263 ext 0286 or tela@thomasestley.org.uk



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Thank you



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unnoticed, but whose influence is deeply felt
- our Trustees."**

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role in shaping futures and driving meaningful,
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Wishing you a wonderful Summer break

