

SELBORNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

12/09/25



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been so lovely catching up with all the pupils about their exciting summers and all have settled well into their new classrooms with their new teachers. We have the Year 6 Parent Information sessions next week (and information about applying to High School) so we look forward to seeing parents in the Sports Hall/classroom for this on Tuesday. The



following week we welcome Reception parents, at 8:50am, on Monday 22nd September and on Thursday 25th, we welcome Nursery parents. Reception and Nursery pupils continue with their staggered start into primary school and we warmly welcome you to the Selborne community.

Parents' Evening



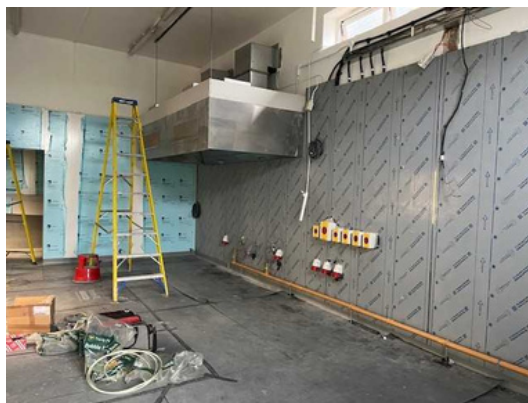
On the school calendar (from the school website) all parents/carers have a chance to meet with their child's classteacher on Thursday 16th October. To ensure that there are enough slots for the whole class to meet the teacher, normal school that day will finish at 2pm for ALL pupils. No pupils can be looked after by teachers or the office after 2pm as everyone in the school will be involved with Parents' Evening. Boom Sports (our after school care provider) can offer paid childcare on site from 2 - 6pm but this needs to be booked in advance by calling 0208 226 5450 or booking via the website. There are limited spaces so please get organised (another of our school keys!) and book now if you cannot personally collect at 2pm. There will be no hobby/sports clubs on that day either so use Boom Sports if you need to. We will write to you nearer the time to offer you a parents' evening time slot which suits you.



School Kitchen Building Project

Ealing Council are closely overseeing our building project which involves the school main hall and school kitchens being completely out of action. I was set to attend a handover meeting, with the builders and the Council, on 29th August for the project to be finished and as I have previously communicated to you, everything that could go wrong, has done! The project is now weeks overdue but we are stressing the importance of the project finishing as quickly as possible. Staff and children have adapted well and after the initial three days of cold lunches, we are now on a restricted hot menu with pasta, curry, pizza, jacket potatoes etc being prepared at two other local schools and driven across to us in warmed trays. It is far from ideal but our catering company, ISS, have worked really hard to ensure that all pupils are having enough food and there is a hot food option every day. Food was being served in the classrooms but most pupils are now eating in the sports hall which we have set up as a temporary kitchen/dining hall. We have given you an idea of our revised menu on the website and I promise to keep you updated regularly about how the building work is progressing. It WILL all be worth it so we are remaining positive and exercising the school key of resilience every day! Thank you for your understanding and patience in these challenging circumstances.

Some photos of the current hall/kitchen space:



Find More on: www.selborne.ealing.sch.uk

School Results



Right across the school, we achieved incredible pupil outcomes last year. Check out our superb KS2 results, multiplication times table check and Phonic screening results on the school results page on our website. Some of our results put us in the top 10 primary schools in the Borough! We could not do it without your support - all the daily reading, phonics practice, and times table practice that you do and making your child sit to work on their revision books in the evenings and weekends all contribute. We have very high academic standards at Selborne, outstanding teaching staff who care and we want the very best for your child. Let's see if we can do the same this year... Every single year group is full of pupils and we have waiting lists in most year groups as word has spread about how well Selborne pupils do. Thank you for spreading the word about our school and being part of our success!

Remember, we have moved away from FROG as our homework platform and will start to use Google Workspace (this is a much cheaper option for us). Whilst we are setting up all the passwords for pupils and designing the homework pages, your child's homework will be accessible from the school website as a temporary measure. They can write the answers into their homework books. We are a Green Eco School so do not print homework sheets. Please see the emailed letter from Mrs Kadri, our Computing Leader, for more details. Your child has also had everything explained to them by their teacher so there is no excuses for not completing homework by the deadline (usually Tuesday, to take into account that some families have busy weekends). Click the link below to access the homework.



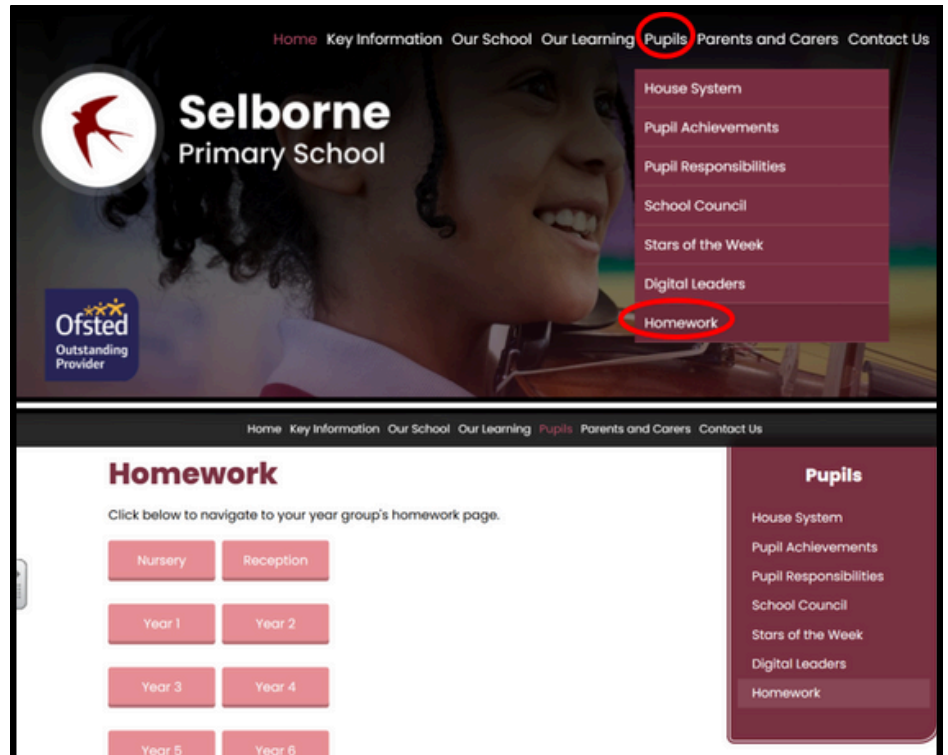
<https://www.selborne.ealing.sch.uk/Homework/>

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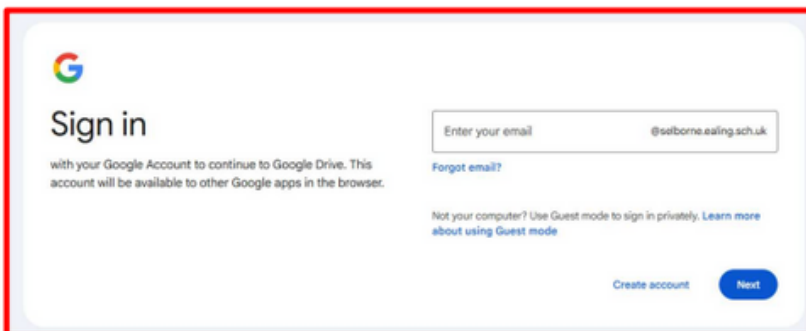
Homework

- 1) Go to www.selborne.ealing.sch.uk/
- 2) Click Pupils
- 3) Click Homework
- 4) Choose the correct button for your child's year group

Any issues please contact this email:
remotelearning@selborne.ealing.sch.uk



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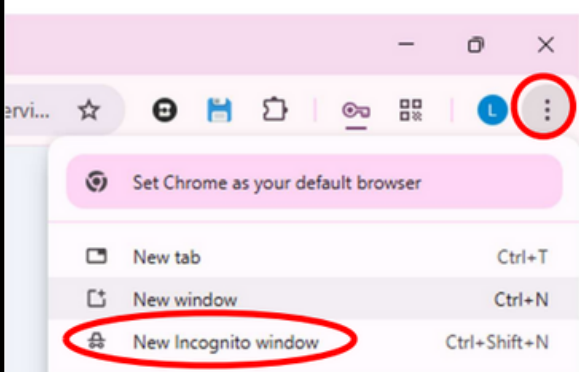
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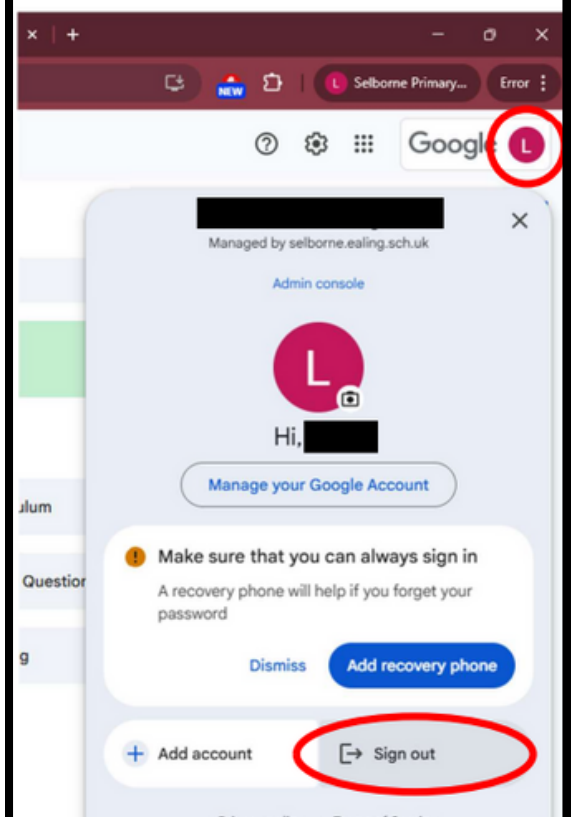
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Firework Night

Our main fundraising event for the year is our wonderful Fireworks and Bonfire Night. We appreciate that you have a choice where to spend your money watching fireworks but we really hope that you will spend it coming to Selborne's event as all the money we make goes back into providing

exciting resources and experiences for your children. Last year we raised over £6600 - the most ever! This is a community event so bring your neighbours and friends too. The date is Thursday 6th November (the 5th November is too expensive to hire our fabulous fireworks company so we opted for the 6th this year! We spend around £2000 on the wonderful fireworks you always enjoy). If you run a local business and would like to sponsor the event in any way then Mrs Franchi, our School Business Manager, would love to hear from you. Contact her via the school office. Thank you for supporting your child's school.



Hobby/Sports Clubs



You received a letter emailed from the school office about afterschool hobby and sports clubs. Unfortunately, the charge for these has increased this year as we have always heavily subsidised their costs to encourage all to attend but the school budget can no longer support this. They do still provide incredible value for money for an hour childcare and activity. Please remember that there are no refunds issued for hobby/sports clubs so double check your child can attend the club before signing up for the 10 week booking. If your child is invited to a booster club then it is imperative that they attend (as the teacher wants them to have a boost in that subject to reach their academic goals). There is no charge for this session so you must take advantage of the extra tutoring/help which we are providing to your child as the school is paying for this. Clubs start the week beginning 29th September and finish on Friday 12th December. You will receive an email to sign up in due course.



PTA



The PTA raised thousands of pounds for our school last year and are hoping to raise even more this year to pay towards a new playscape for the KS2 playground (our KS2 play equipment is in desperate need of refurbishment and the estimated cost could be in excess of £35,000). The first PTA event will be a 'Halloween' themed disco on the evening of Friday 17th October so keep the date free in your diaries. If you have a few hours spare to help the PTA then contact them through the PTA WhatsApp. Thank you for being involved in your child's school.

We occasionally have bags of food (non-perishable) donated to school to help families in need. Please contact the office (or Mrs Shilling/Mrs Yates) in confidence if you could benefit from a couple of bags of shopping to help feed hungry mouths at home. You do not need to be registered with the food bank (although we can give you a referral form for this too) but perhaps it is a tricky time in the month and there is not enough money for food and a few bags of shopping could help temporarily. We want to help so let us know and we can give you anything we have donated at that time... no questions asked and no judgements made. We just know that hungry children cannot learn so we want to help in anyway we can. We have a few bags ready now so please ask if it would be a help to you this weekend/next week. Thank you to David Lloyd Health Club in Sudbury Hill who are always generously collecting food which we can pass on to our families.

Community Tea Party



In December, we always hold a Community Tea Party where Year 6 invite all the elderly people on the Medway to come and have a little Christmas party in our hall. The pupils serve them sandwiches and entertain them with some musical performances. We have a raffle and the elderly love talking to all our young people and having an early Christmas celebration. If you have any raffle prizes which you could donate (unopened boxes of biscuits/chocolates or unopened boxed toiletries then please drop them into the office. If you know of an elderly person/couple who live within 1.5 miles of school who would love an invitation to this event then please drop a note or email into the school office letting us know their details and we will invite them. We have room on the invite list and do not want any elderly person to miss out as it is often the highlight of their month. Thank you for your help with this.

SELBORNE PTA Useful Weblinks

 SCAN ME	 A direct link to the PTA page on the school's website where you will find all PTA-related documentation	 Sign up to Parentkind to benefit from some of the extras parents can get as part of our PTA membership  SCAN ME	
 A direct link to our fundraising page where linking your account to us while online shopping will help raise us funds without costing you anything!  SCAN ME	 A direct link to the PTA WhatsApp group where we send any electronic PTA documentation and reminders  SCAN ME	 A direct link to our fundraising page where linking your account to us while online shopping will help raise us funds without costing you anything!  SCAN ME	
 A direct link to our PTA donation page. Here you can donate funds directly into our account so we can fund school extras  SCAN ME	 CLASS AMBASSADOR Join the PTA Class ambassadors by scanning this code and help us spread PTA news through the school  SCAN ME	 A direct link to our PTA donation page. Here you can donate funds directly into our account so we can fund school extras  SCAN ME	

Organisation



Another of our Selborne keys! If your child forgets their water bottle/reading book etc, then it is not possible to drop it off to the office during the school day. We will ensure that they manage without it for the day (all classrooms have drinking water, all playgrounds have drinking fountains and we have a library full of books). With over 660 pupils, I would have to employ one

administrator full time to be answering the gate and running belongings to all the pupils all day and I cannot afford to do that with our school budget. It is more important that administrators are there to be keeping up attendance registers, answering the phone/emails and dealing with school visitors safely; they are also contending with dealing with builders in and out the main door at the moment! Thank you for understanding this and helping your child to get organised before school.

Parking

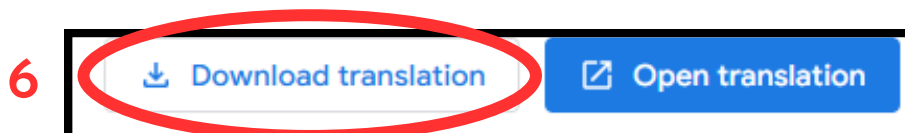
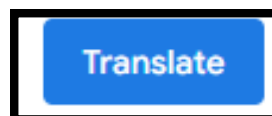
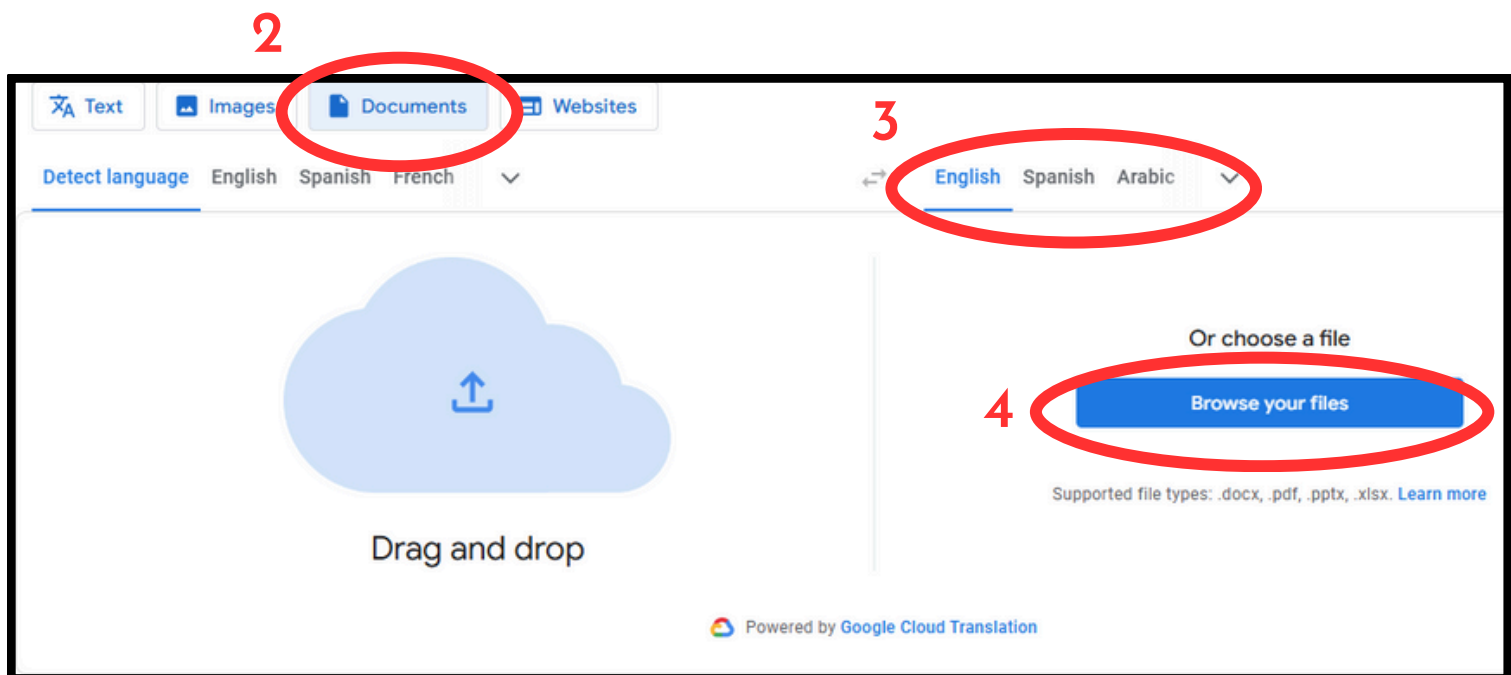


I had a really nice email from a resident in Cayton Road (next to the pedestrian walk through, opposite our Conway gate) asking politely that parents stop blocking their drive when they come to do school pick up. She could not get her own car off her own drive for 20 minutes last week as a Selborne parent had blocked her in which made her late to an important appointment. PLEASE do not park over resident's driveways - even for a few minutes. It is not fair and really inconveniences them. Just consider how you would feel if you were blocked in your driveway and needed to get somewhere urgently - it would be so frustrating. Please just park a few metres away on a raised kerb area and not over someone's drive. 'Getting Along' is another of our school keys and we want to 'get along' with our patient neighbours; I am also tired of constantly dealing with our parents' parking issues when I could be using this time daily making further improvements to the school for your children. Thank you.

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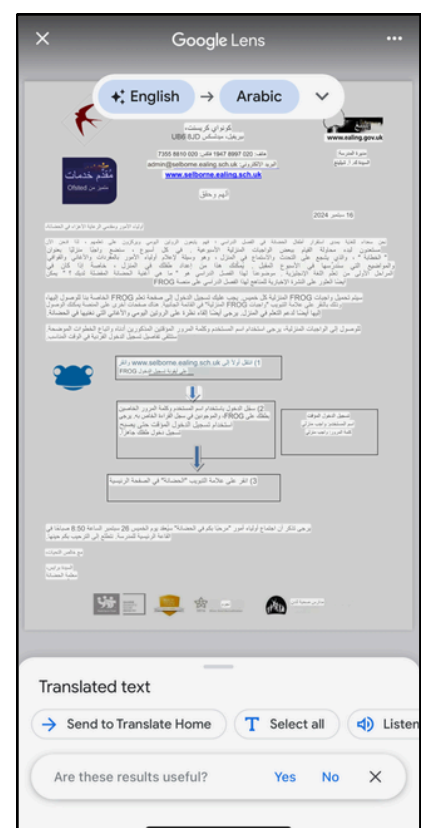
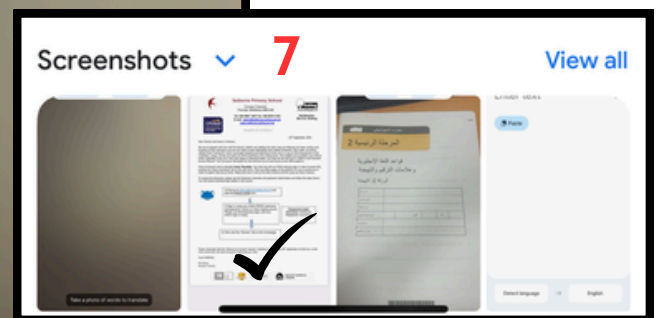
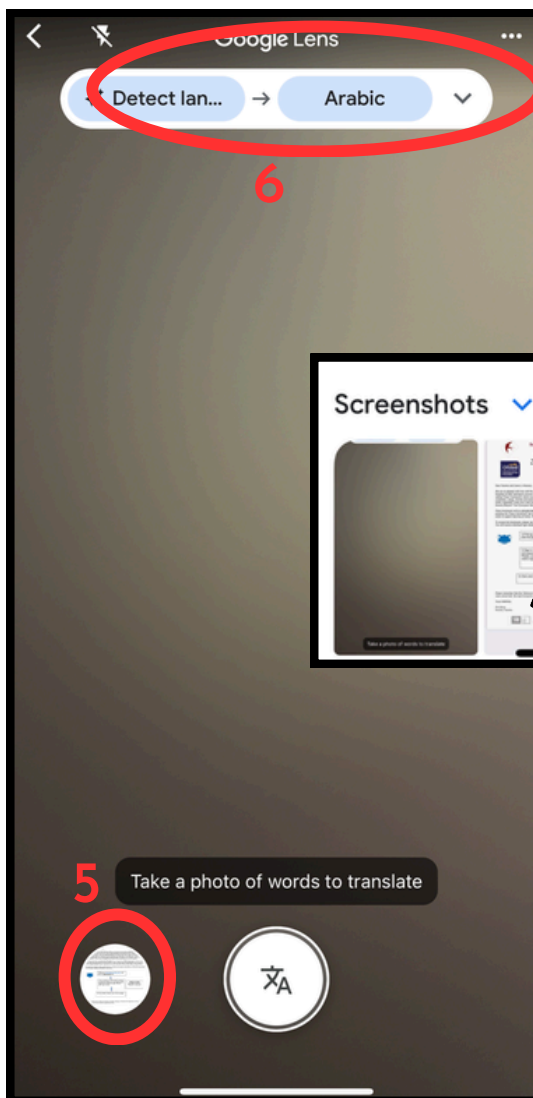
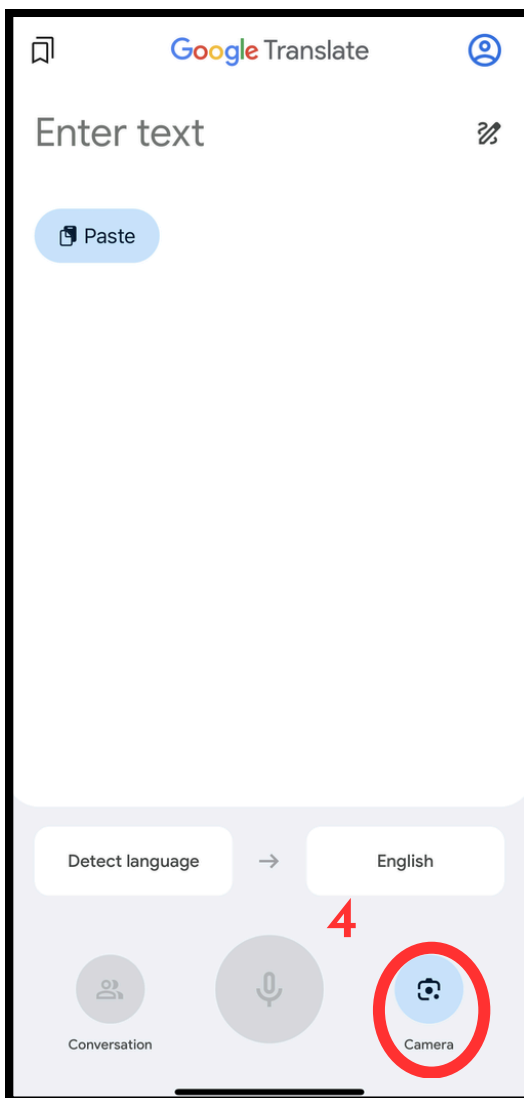
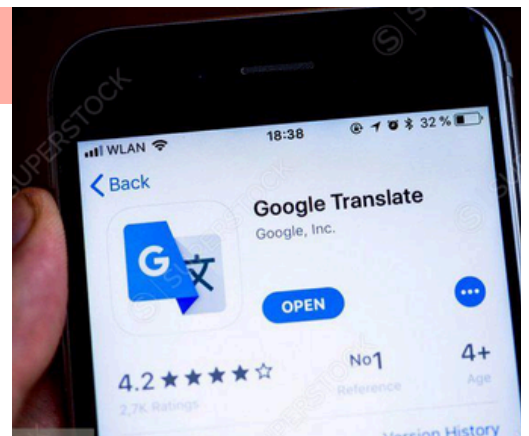
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