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See You on Monday

We are so excited to be welcoming all the children back to school on Monday and we look forward to seeing each and every one of them. We are also delighted to be welcoming some children for their first day at the school.

Headmaster's Commendations

Outstanding superhero story:

Emily Wilson

Excellent Superhero Story: **Niamh Lumpkin, Zariah Mockett, Maya Patel, Will Taylor, Ozzy Upfold**

Overall Dedication, Hard Work and Doing the Extra Bit on all Work: **Henry Thornton**

Outstanding Effort and Attitude in all Aspects of Remote Learning:

Megan Harding

Exceptional Effort in Writing and Presenting his SuperBear Story: **Niryan Toor**

Thoughtful and Well Written Letter to Humans: **Tvisha Nair**

Entertaining and Well Written Superhero Story: **Joey Alexander, Grace Pickard, Maisie Sigley**

History – What was Behind the Disaster of the Titanic?: **Sarah-Jane Butler**

English - Super Analytical Essay on the Structure of a Horror Story: **Oliver Rowan**

Poem of Hope: **Elizabeth Gasser**

Supervillain Video: **Lily Norbury, James Norbury**

Reception Smiles

All the reception children for working so hard and for all the amazing work they have done during remote learning.

Happy Birthday

Thomas Green 4
Roshan Sahajpal 10



More Scholarship Successes

We are delighted to have heard of three more scholarships successes.

Year 8

Megan Hancock

Sport

Lord Wandsworth College

Sam Reader

Performing Arts

Lord Wandsworth College

Year 6

Kayleigh Haines

Sport

St Nicholas School

Many congratulations to all these children on their super successes, and well done too, to all their teachers.

World Book Week 500 Word Story Competition

On Thursday the whole school celebrated World Book Day in style with many children and staff dressing up as book characters for the day. Everyone was surprised when Mr Upton appeared on screens dressed as Gangsta Granny for the special 500 word story assembly. After a rigorous process and judging from ten members of staff, the winning stories were announced and read to the whole school over Teams. The bronze award went to **Jessica Fussey** for her story 'Recycling Roots'. **Hope Horne** won silver for 'Look into Yourself', a story about an evil mirror. Congratulations to **Henry Huang** who won gold with 'My 'Stupid' Teacher', a semi-autobiographical piece about a very clever teacher. The judges were very impressed with the variety of stories and the originality of the ideas this year. Well done everyone.

World Book Day

World Book Day was a great day for the children. There were so many book-related activities going on throughout the day. In the Nursery the children were so excited to see their teachers all dressed up and they really enjoyed their nursery rhyme session in Music. In Reception the theme was 'Bears' and after reading some stories, the children even experimented with some porridge. The Mr Men took centre stage in Year 1 with Maths and Science activities including making tally charts and code-breaking while in Year 2, houses were searched for witches in a book scavenger hunt. The children later played a 'guess the book' game and wrote book reviews on their favourite books. Supervillains were explored in Year 4 and great fun was had designing bedrooms and writing descriptions. (continued on page 3)

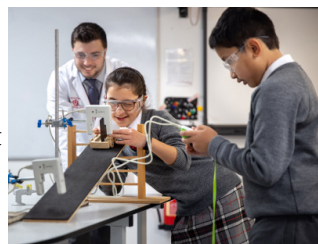
See the Bigger Picture

Robert Upton's latest blog can be found on the School website. The following is a taster:

Children are naturally inclined to think small. How do we encourage children to see the bigger picture? What are the skills involved in seeing the bigger picture, or the "gestalt". The term "gestalt" means appreciating that something is more than the sum of its individual parts — viewing the parts together allows you to see the full picture.

[To read the rest of this article click here.](#)

[To view other blog posts visit the Headmaster's Blog page of the school](#)



World Book Week Book Sale

We hope that you have had a chance to look at all the fantastic books that are available in our World Book Week Virtual Book Fair. If you have not there is still time to do so as orders can be placed until Monday.

Usborne Books offer a huge range of fantastic books both fiction and non-fiction, for all age groups.

Parents should have received an email last Friday giving information about the books available and how to place orders. A discount of £1 per child will be given using your child's allocated World Book Day voucher.

Cancelled Clubs

Clubs will run as usual next week except:

Thursday: Pre-Prep STEM Club, Strategy Games Club (both due to the Year 6 Parents' Evening)

Drama Request

Gail Brundle and the Drama Department would be very grateful for donations of sturdy coat hangers (not the wire type please). If you are able to help please leave the hangers in School Reception.

Chess Masterclass

Chess Masterclass will restart on next Tuesday, 9th March and will be for Group A.

FYMS

FYMS Annual Virtual Quiz: Just a reminder that our first virtual quiz of the year will be this Saturday 6th March. At £6 for a team of up to 6 people, it promises to be a fun-filled evening that tests your general knowledge to the max. Tickets can be purchased via the FYMS [online link](#).

Yards for Yateley 2021 challenge: Last weekend we achieved over 1300 miles (our best weekend so far) meaning during February we walked, ran, cycled, just moved in general 2883 miles and in terms of distance we reached KUWAIT! Well done to everyone who helped achieve this fantastic milestone.

Bags 2 School: Save the date for our next Bags 2 School collection which will be on Monday 19th April from 8.00am - 9.00am. More details to follow.

Important Drama Information

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory: Mrs Brundle would like **all** members of the Charlie and the Chocolate Factory cast to attend an important meeting in Manor Place Hall at 4.35pm on the first day back, Monday 8th March.

LAMDA sessions will restart in the week commencing Monday 8th March for all those children who were doing LAMDA last term. Sessions will be at the same times as before and will be held in Manor Place Hall.

Important School Shop News

A reminder that the School Shop is now open for mail order although we are unfortunately still not able to have appointments in person in the shop.

Please download and [complete the order form](#) using the "[Guide to Measuring Document](#)" which are available on [shop page of the School Website](#). The form should be completed and emailed to Laura Bretherton using shop@yateleymanor.com.

Parents will be emailed when their order is ready for collection from School Reception. Please only come for collection when you have received notification from the School Shop. Please note payment has to be made in full prior to the order being processed.

Payments can be made by credit/debit card over the phone or by Bank Transfer (BACS).

If you would like to pay by card over the phone please email shop@yateleymanor.com giving your mobile number and Laura will contact you when she is next in school.

If you wish to pay by BACS, please use the account details below and email Laura using shop@yateleymanor.com to confirm that your payment has been made.

Allied Irish Bank

Account Name: Yateley Manor School (Leisure) School Shop

Account Number: 39538145

Sort Code: 23-84-85

Please quote your child's name as the reference.

Online Parents' Evenings

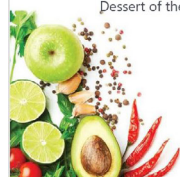
A reminder that the Virtual Nursery Parents' Evenings will take place next week on Monday 8th and Wednesday 10th March.

The Year 6 Virtual Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 11th March.

Parents have been sent information about bookings and logging in on the day.

Next Week's Menu

PALMER & HOWELLS Yateley Manor				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken and Thyme Meatballs	Slow Roast Beef Bourguignon	Confit Chinese Chicken	Pork Sage & Apple Sausage roll	Cod Goujon
Three Bean Ball	Charred Vegetable Roly Poly	Miso Roast Aubergine	Gnocchi	Vegetable Goujon
Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings
Penne Pasta Garlic Bread Sliced Carrot	Herb Roasted Parsnip & Carrot Cheddar Dumplings	Stir Fried Veg Egg Noodles Prawn Crackers	Crushed New potato Savoy Cabbage Fine Beans	Chips Garden Peas Tartare Sauce
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar
Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day
Freshly Baked Bread, Seasonal Salads, Fresh Fruit are available daily				
PALMER & HOWELLS Independent School Caterers				



Thank you to ...

The Carter Family (Charlie and Rebecca) for their donation of wooden trikes for the Nursery.

World Book Week

Meanwhile, Year 3 children were tasked with convincing someone to read their chosen book through a 'book speed dating' activity. They also enjoyed reading Roald Dahl with Mrs Hayter and cooking some delicious 'hot frogs' from James and the Giant Peach.

Children in Years 5 to 8 had some special lessons designed by their teachers to incorporate books, with children performing music based on books and designing 'book nooks'. In their History lessons, Year 5 compared the first hand experiences of being an evacuee with the depiction in Good Night Mr Tom. There was plenty of French and Spanish literature covered during the week, including the famous Don Quixote and children also watched some short inspirational videos of modern authors discussing their techniques for writing.

Everyone 'dropped everything to read' for ten minutes at midday as teachers paused their live lessons and picked up books themselves to have a relaxing read in the middle of a busy day. The week concluded with two excellent workshops for Pre-Prep and Years 3 and 4 where Chris Connaughton brought stories to life on computer screens. In the first workshop, he took everyone on a whistle-stop tour of Alice in Wonderland bringing the characters of the Cheshire Cat, the doormouse and the King and Queen of Hearts to life. Pre-Prep were then enchanted by the classic tale of Rapunzel. We hope that everyone really enjoyed Book Week and all the different events and experiences on offer.

World Book Day Cookery

Cookery lessons for Year 3 and the Wellbeing Wednesday cookery session were both based on books. Year 3 made Hot Frogs which feature in Roald Dahl's James and the Giant Peach. The results looked far more appetising than they sounded in the book.



On Wednesday Mrs Hayter's demonstration was Lewis Carroll inspired with the baking of a honey tea loaf; an ideal part of the Mad Hatter's Tea Party in Alice in Wonderland.

Workshops

The climax of Book Week for children in Years 3 and 4 and Pre-Prep were the two virtual workshops given by actor, author and story-teller, Chris Connaughton, on Friday morning.

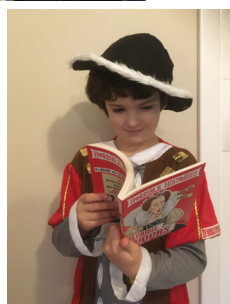
Years 3 and 4 were enthralled by Chris' retelling of Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland while he re-told the story of Rapunzel to the spell-bound audience of Pre-Prep children.

Thank you Chris for bringing these stories to life for the children.



Drop Everything and Read

At midday on Thursday everyone was encouraged to drop everything and read for 10 minutes. Children and staff from across the school picked up a book for a relaxing read.



Dressing Up Day

What an amazing array of costumes were on display during World Book Day. Thank you to all the children and staff who dressed up.



Reception's Bears

The Reception children's topic is Bears and this fitted really well with World Book Week.

As well as listening to some bear stories, the children were busy doing making observational drawings of their bears and using them to help consolidate their understanding of positional words. They put their bears under the climbing frame, on swings and then stood in front or behind them.

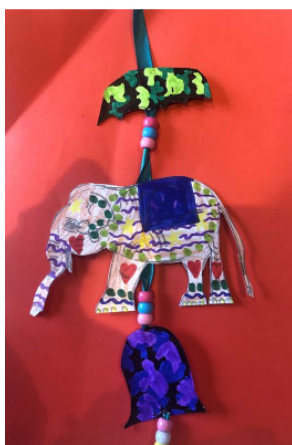


They have also been making and tasting porridge rather like Goldilocks in *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. The lumpy porridge and salt flavoured porridge were not popular but the children really enjoyed the syrup, honey and strawberry flavours!



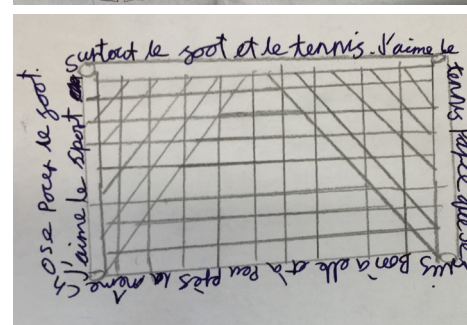
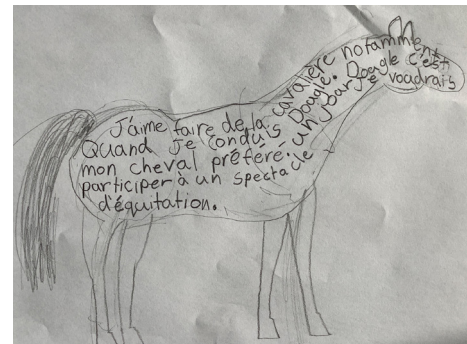
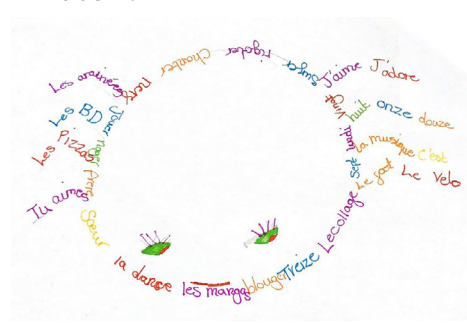
Year 4 Elephants

After learning to draw elephants last week, in their art lesson this week, Year 4 looked into highly decorated elephants in India and the elephant festival in Rajasthan. These super elephants are by **Danny, Maia, Abigail, Grace G, Hugo and Farrah.**



Year 5 French Caligrams

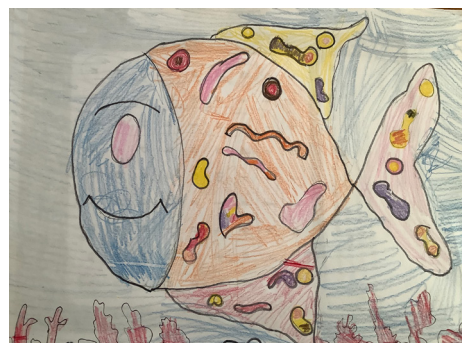
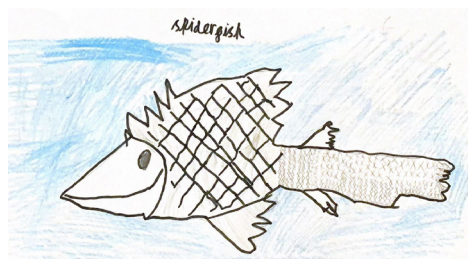
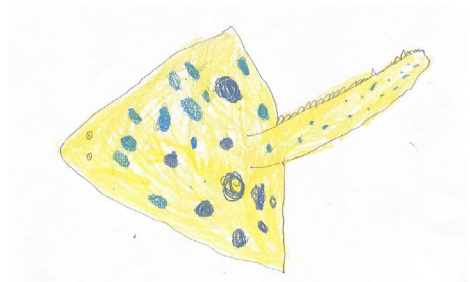
5Ar Experimenting with Calligrams in French using French words to make their pictures. These are by **Sonny, Abi and Annabel L.**



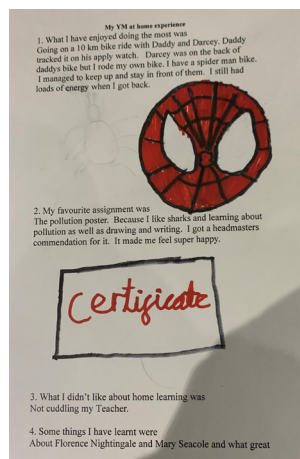
Year 1 Fish

After reading the story of *Tiddler the Story-Telling Fish*, Year 1 were tasked with drawing, painting or creating a collage their own fish.

These are by **Teddy, Ollie, Saina, Abigail, Jamal and Daniel.**



Year 2 Lockdown Experiences

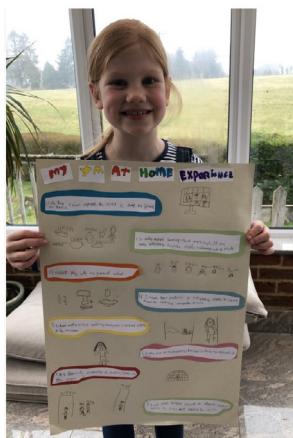


Year 2 children were asked to write about their Lockdown experience of Remote Learning.

They were asked to include things they have enjoyed about working at home, what they have learnt and what they are looking forward to back at

SOME THINGS I HAVE LEARNT...

- I HAVE LEARNED HOW TO DRAW PORTRAITS
- FRACTIONS
- HOW TO READ GRAPHS AND MAKE A BLOCK DIAGRAM
- HOW TO MAKE A POSTER
- REAL LIFE SUPERHEROES OF FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, GRACE DARLING AND MARY SEACOLE
- CALLIGRAMS
- HOW TO WRITE A COMIC STRIP
- HOW TO WRITE A STORY
- HOW TO WRITE A HAIKU
- HOW ROADS ARE MADE
- HOW WATER CHANGES TO AND FROM ICE
- ALL ABOUT RECYCLING



school. These are by **Phoebe, Emily, Albert and Esmé.**

THINGS I AM MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO DOING WHEN I GET BACK TO SCHOOL

- Seeing my friends and playing on the adventure playground on the monkey bars.
- Seeing my teachers and Jess the dog.
- I enjoy maths, it's my favourite. I like to play the maths games in class with my friends.

Year 4 French

In their French lessons some Year 4 children conducted research into French towns to see what facilities they had. This is some of **Sydney's** work: great research, French and presentation.



Town in Paris, Senlis - Ville de Paris - Senlis

It is located 40 kilometers to the north of Paris, 44 km from Beauvais and 79 km from Amiens. The highest point of the town (140m) lies at the heart of the forest.

Il est situé à 40 kilomètres au nord de Paris, à 44 kilomètres de Beauvais et à 79 kilomètres d'Amiens. Le point culminant de la commune (140m) se trouve au cœur de la forêt.

What is in Senlis - Qu'y a-t-il à visiter à Senlis?

Il y a une église



Il y a un château



Il y a des monuments à Senlis



Il y a beaucoup d'écoles à Senlis



Il y a une rivière à Senlis



Il y a des magasins à Senlis



Year 5's Welsh Cookery

As well as being World Book Week this week it was also St David's Day. To mark the occasion Year 5 made Welsh Cakes in their cookery lesson.



Hope

Here we are at home to day.
On our own with no one to play.
Plenty of happy times are near.
Every body clap and cheer happy days are here.

By Elizabeth Gasser Year 1

Year 5 Character Descriptions

As part of World Book Week 5Ne looked at some of their favourite fictional characters and then created characters that would feature in their own stories and wrote descriptions of them.

Fire Fox, an encouraging and sympathetic creature lived deep in the woods of Osmira, was kind and understanding to any problems of the humans. He was warm and comforting with a coat of golden flames. His fur was as red as a moon of Mars, and his deep red gaze as soft as silk.

Wherever he went all the blades of grass, all the animals, all the forest loved him, even the puddles seemed to smile. He was a nest of comfort, willing to help all that were troubled that came his way. Fire Fox was a good friend, but he was also so much more.

Esther O'Donoghue

Raven is a tall, strong spirited, 16-year-old girl. Her actual name was Solaris, but she normally goes by Raven. She has long, red hair, that, when down, looks like burning flames. Her eyes are piercing, like a hawk, cold and stone hard. She has two siblings, her twin Comet, and her little sister, Rin. Raven loves to sing and dance, but she also excels in drawing and fighting. She is also more intelligent than most adults! She is in a world where there are people with demon features; cats, wolves, alphas, bunnies, deer, angels, as well as others. Most people also have powers called "quirks". Raven is an alpha wolf, half angel – demon and fire dragon and has anger and trust issues but her talent is that she can make portals anywhere that she has been, and she can understand and talk to animals. She is kind at heart but can be very scary and protective (especially of her cookies!). Raven takes part in a hero training course and her teacher is quite odd (he throws grenades at them sometimes)! **Evelyn Randall**

Cooper is a 5-year-old sausage loving dog with a broad grin on his doggy face. He works for the QRDF (Queen's Royal Dog Force) as an undercover spy listening for plots with his fennec fox type ears. His has sunglasses, X-ray glasses and night goggles in one which are as black as the night.

Cooper is a fast learner and the English language quickly rubbed on to him from his owner, a couple months ago he passed a difficult fitness competition for the SF (Special Forces) and a test meant for GCSE students with flying colours.

His orange body makes him hard to disguise, but the Queen ordered the best British inventors to make in secret a clothing that is as camouflaged as a chameleon. His motto is "Be yourself. Everyone else is already taken."

Aaron Shahi

Class Music Lessons for World Book Week

In honour of World Book Week, all music lessons have been about "Books and Music."

The Nursery had a live session concentrating on a performance of "*What the Ladybird Heard*". Reception's current topic is Bears, so to fit in with that, their work involved "*Goldilocks and the Three Bears*". Year 1 created "*Aliens Love Underpants*" sound stories and Year 2, following their Superhero theme, created Superhero sound stories and raps. Year 3 unfortunately missed their music lesson due to their online workshop with Chris Connaughton.

Years 4 to 8 were able to choose from a range of tasks which included:

- Reading a favourite story out loud (or part of a story) and enhancing it by adding sound effects created with instruments, everyday objects or using technology.
- Recreating a Nursery Rhyme as a rap
- Turning a favourite song into a short book by writing out the lyrics and adding illustrations to each page.
- Composing a melody that could accompany a movie version of your favourite story.
- Making a list of the characters in a favourite book and creating sound effects or writing a short theme tune for each.
- Listening to the World Book Day Song by Mr MCGrammar and creating a poster based on the lyrics of the rap.

These are by **Eva, Lily** and **Samuel**.



Congratulations to ...

James Norbury who was so inspired by the topic of Roman Britain at the end of Year 3, that he completed the Hadrian's Wall Virtual Challenge. **James** followed in the footsteps of Roman soldiers and ran 145km/90 miles along the the historic Hadrian's Wall Path across the north of England via an interactive App. Each time **James** completed 20% of the journey, a tree was planted to help restore healthy forests around the world; so five in total. A great achievement that has benefitted his mind, body and the planet!



5MJB Talent Show

5MJB had a great talent show during one of their tutor times. They had jokes, timed drawing challenges, pet tricks, a paper aeroplane challenge, some ice-skating figures and a game of Bingo with a master Bingo-caller.

Such fun and great talent!

More Great Wellbeing Wednesday Activities

We hope that the children have enjoyed doing something away from their screens for Wellbeing Wednesdays during Remote Learning whether it was exercising, getting out into the fresh air, making art, learning to sew or any of the other excellent activities that they have tried.



Year 2 Superhero Stories

In literacy this week Year 2 were asked to create a plan for a superhero story and then to write the story. There were some really fabulous stories and the children clearly enjoyed writing them. This one is by **Megan Harding**.

Bouncy Bear

One Sunny morning Bouncy Bear went to her Cousin's house to play. Her cousin was another Superhero called Silly Bear.

Bouncy Bear and Silly Bear were playing tag and they were jumping through the trees to tag each other with their Gummi berry Juice.

Bouncy Bear and Silly Bear were jumping through the trees. Bouncy Bear said, "look at me". He jumped so high that he could touch the clouds! When he was in the sky, he did a flip that made the gummi berry juice fall out of his pocket.

When Bouncy Bear got down, he realised that his gummi berry juice had disappeared! Bouncy Bear told Silly Bear what happened. Silly Bear was shocked! Bouncy Bear said to Silly Bear "we need to go and find my gummi berry juice because if I don't have my gummi berry juice, I can't be a Superhero!"

They went to look for Bouncy Bears gummi berry juice when they Suddenly stumbled into their parents. "What are you doing in a different kind of forest?" said Bouncy's mum. "Shall we tell them?" said Silly to Bouncy. "Say what to us?" said all the parents. "um.... yes, ok. "Me Bouncy Bear"... "yes, we know who you are!" said Bouncy's Dad. "Ok I did a flip in the air and my gummi berry juice fell out of my pocket" said Bouncy. "You mean all your gummi berry juice fell out of your pocket?" said Bouncy Bear's mum. "Well yes". "WHAT!" shouted all the parents. "Please can you help me and Silly find it?" said Bouncy. "Yes, ok but please just tell us next time because someone mite of found it ok". "Ok". They all went to find the juice.

After searching for 2 hours, Silly Bear and Bouncy Bear looked under some leaves and they found all the juice. "We found the juice!" said Silly and Bouncy. "Now you two can save the world" said the all the parents. "yes, we can go and save the world" they all laughed.

The End

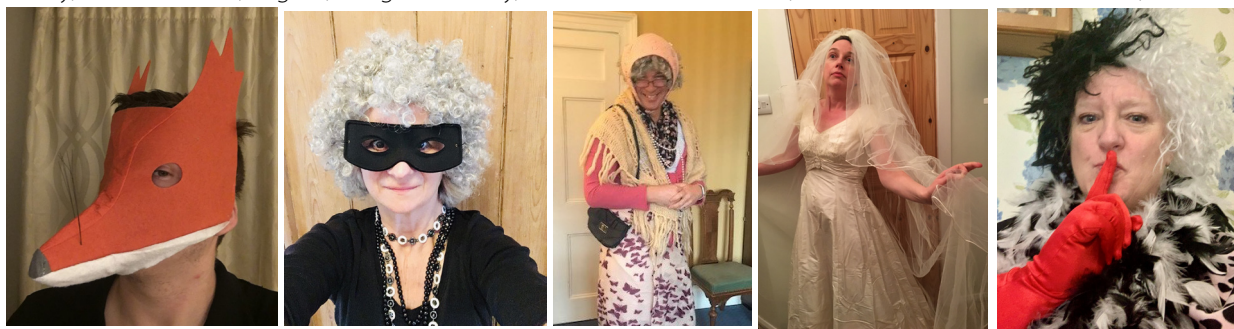
Individual Music Lessons

It is lovely to see so many of our musicians being able to enjoy their individual lessons during remote learning.



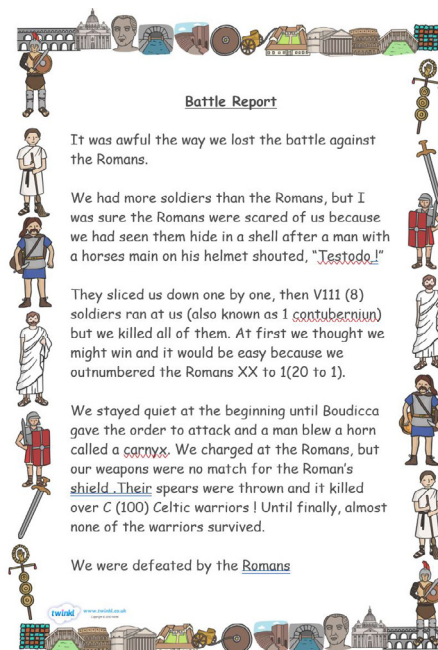
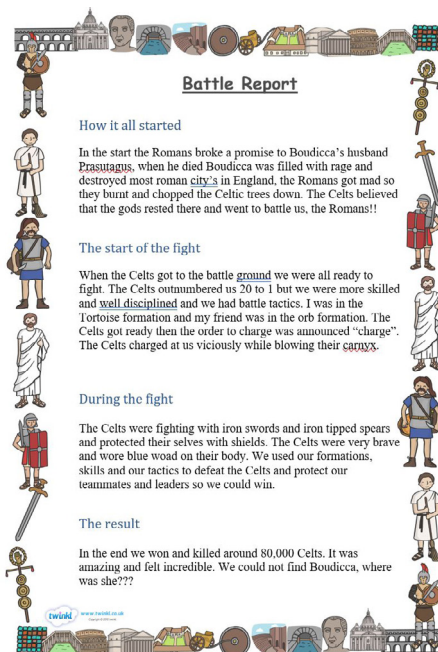
Mr Fox Teaches History

We understand that some of the children were a little confused when they logged into their lessons on Thursday to discover that Mr Fox was teaching History, Miss Havisham, English, Gangster Granny, French and Cruella De Vil, Drama. To add to the confusion, there were also several Where's Wallys too, and another Gangster Granny who usurped the Headmaster and took over World Book Day Assembly.



Year 3 in Roman Britain

In their Year 3 Romans topic, the children were transported back to 60AD to study the events leading to Boudicca's rebellion and the resulting battles with the highly skilled Roman army. Here are two battle reports from **Archie** and **Arthur**.



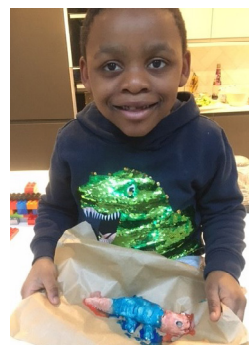
Inspired by watching Carnegie Book winner Katherine Rundell speak about her new book 'Skysteppers' some Year 5s wrote about what they could see from their windows this week.

Behind the small house, is a field but not one field, two huge ones. Sometimes I think on how long it would take for you to walk that in tier field. In the summer I look at the stained glass, and when the sun reflects off it, I see what the stained-glass picture is, a flower. But it also looks like the sun. There is a tree right next to the roof tiles, the tree has loads of branches, and if you look carefully, you can see a tiny bird's nest. In the winter there is robin that always visits our house. It is a verry scruffy robin, so we call it scruffy robin. Sometimes I wonder where its parents are, or if it has parents, but the robin only visits us when it is light outside. **Lousia Bexell**

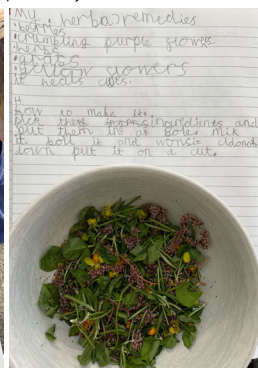
Out of the window, a old wonky tree, curved like a snake, grows. The shredding bark wiggles in the freezing breeze, the white, peach branch and its twigs grow into the plants below. The plants below are covered in pink flowers like candy floss, the strong scent rushes up your nose, making you feel warm and cozy. The big, warm-looking birds perch happily at the top of the oak tree, tweeting loudly to their feathery friends. The squirrels scuttle across the fens, like kangaroos hopping to their warm, loving homes. **Harry Sables**

The wind blowing, as my eyes are glowing. A massive oak tree, with many, many different branches belonging to a creature. One branch is for a squirrel, another is for a pigeon. But this one important branch. This branch is for a raven with a nest. The black, beautiful, shiny raven is protecting the nest with 6-9 eggs in its cosy, small nest. This Camelia, which is blossoming from the cold winter, into the mixed spring. How the bare twigs start filling up with twigs and beautiful green precious leaves. In a pot is a lavender where all the birds come to smell and sit on the pot. While all the birds are up in the trees, they all make a harmony. I wake up to it and it warms my ears. The bright green grass, the dry mud. And that is what creates my garden. **Flores Johnson-Rodriguez**

Year 1's Camouflaged Reptiles



Year 2 are Inspired by Mary Seacole



Year 6 French



Year 4 Cookery

