

Newsletter 30 – Summer Term



Wistaston Academy
Primary and Nursery School
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This Week's Events

Date	School Events	International Events
Monday 16 th May	Y5 & Y6 boys football club	Walk to school week begins
Tuesday 17 th May	Y2 multisports club Y5 & Y6 girls football club Cancelled Y3 swimming Y3 & Y4 Athletics Quad Kids Competition at Malbank High School	Intl. Day against Homophobia, Transphobia & Biphobia
Wednesday 18 th May	Y5 & Y6 Athletics Quad Kids Competition at Cumberland Arena	International Museum Day
Thursday 19 th May	Y4 dodgeball club Y5 & Y6 Euro Girls football competition at Crewe Soccer Centre	
Friday 20 th May	Y1 gymnastics club & Y3 dodgeball club	
Advanced Notice:	Tri Golf competition – 7 th June Tennis for All festival 9 th June Sports Day 10 th June Town Sports Field – 20 th June Town Sports Track – 22 nd June	
Polite Notice:	Please note the school office opens at 8.30am each morning and is manned until 4.30pm. Before and after these times, there will be no access to the Main Reception area.	

We are Brilliant Winners

KS1: Caleb, Sophia

KS2: Ben, Landon, Sophie, Charley-Louise

Nursery

Nursery garden update! This week we have been continuing our learning on understanding the world. We have observed our beans growing in their bags and have started to plant them into pots. We have been watering our very big potato plants and have planted out some tomatoes and peas.



The Hub

Science was lots of fun this week as we explored the best way to melt ice. The children were given blocks of ice containing small toys which they had to retrieve. They discovered that using warm water worked the best.



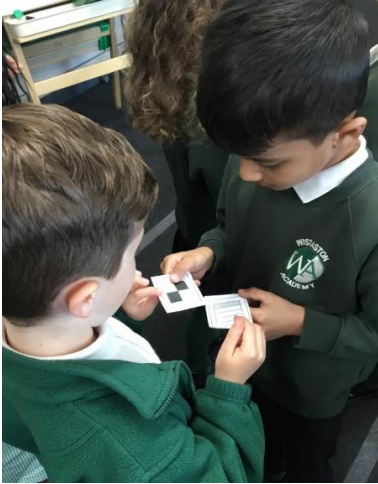
Reception

This week we have had a very special visitor – Cheshire Fire Service! We were lucky enough to see all of the tools inside the fire truck that they use to do their jobs and learn about the different things they do each day. We learnt that not only do they put out fires, they save animals from trees and help out when people get stuck.



Year 1

Year 1 have been learning about finding half and a quarter of shapes and amounts. In our problem solving lesson, they explored different ways that they could fill a square using halves and then using halves and quarters and recorded it by colouring their findings.



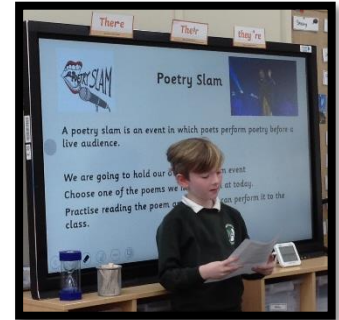
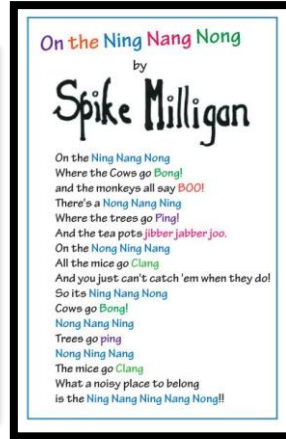
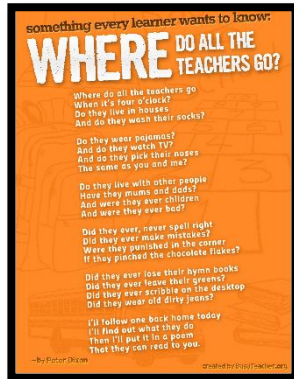
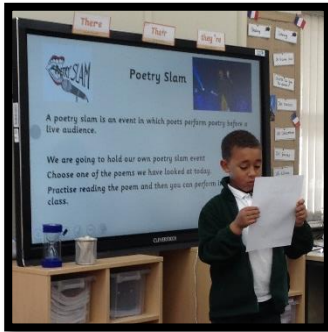
Year 2

This week in year 2, we have been learning to use our mathematical vocabulary to describe turns. We used the words: quarter turn, half turn, clockwise and anticlockwise. In partners, we tried using this new language, as well as our directional language, by making our partner follow our set of instructions. We also had a go at turning objects.



Year 3

This week Year 3 started looking at poetry in literacy. The children explored different types of poems such as "Where Do All The Teachers Go?" and "On the Ning Nang Nong". The children then chose their favourite poem to perform in our very own Poetry Slam event. They thoroughly enjoyed reading all of the different poems and performed their chosen one incredibly well.

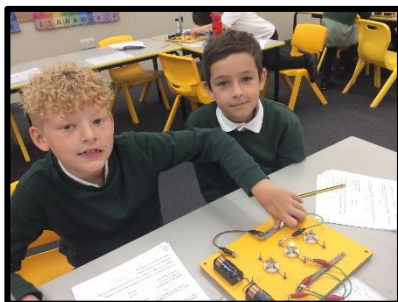


Year 4

We have been very lucky in year 4 to welcome visitors into our year group. Last Friday (6th May), we welcomed our Muslim community to celebrate Eid. They brought traditional dishes that they normally eat during Eid (breaking of the fast). All of year 4 would like to thank you for spending your time making such wonderful dishes for us to enjoy.

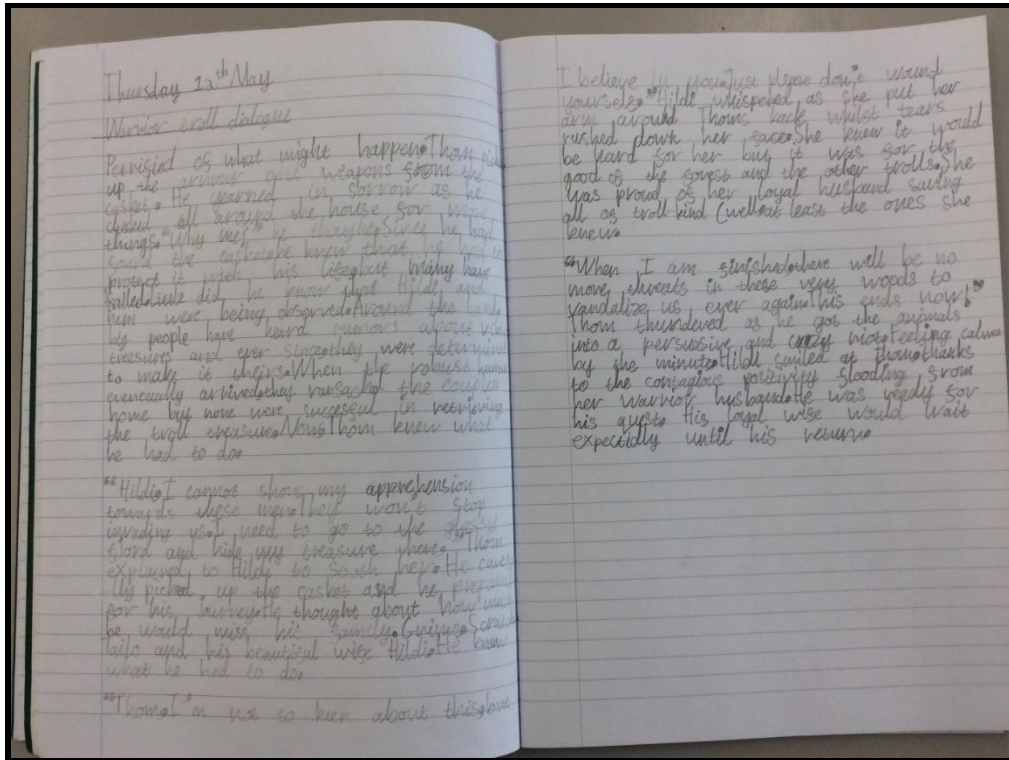


Then on Monday (9th May), we welcomed Ruth to school who completed an electricity workshop. We started the session looking over what we already knew. We had a go with circuit boards creating simple circuits. After this we looked at a variable resistor, predicting whether length or thickness of a wire would affect the brightness of a bulb. We were introduced to new vocabulary of conductors and insulators, we found out that graphite in our pencil was a poor conductor because the light bulb was dim when connected.

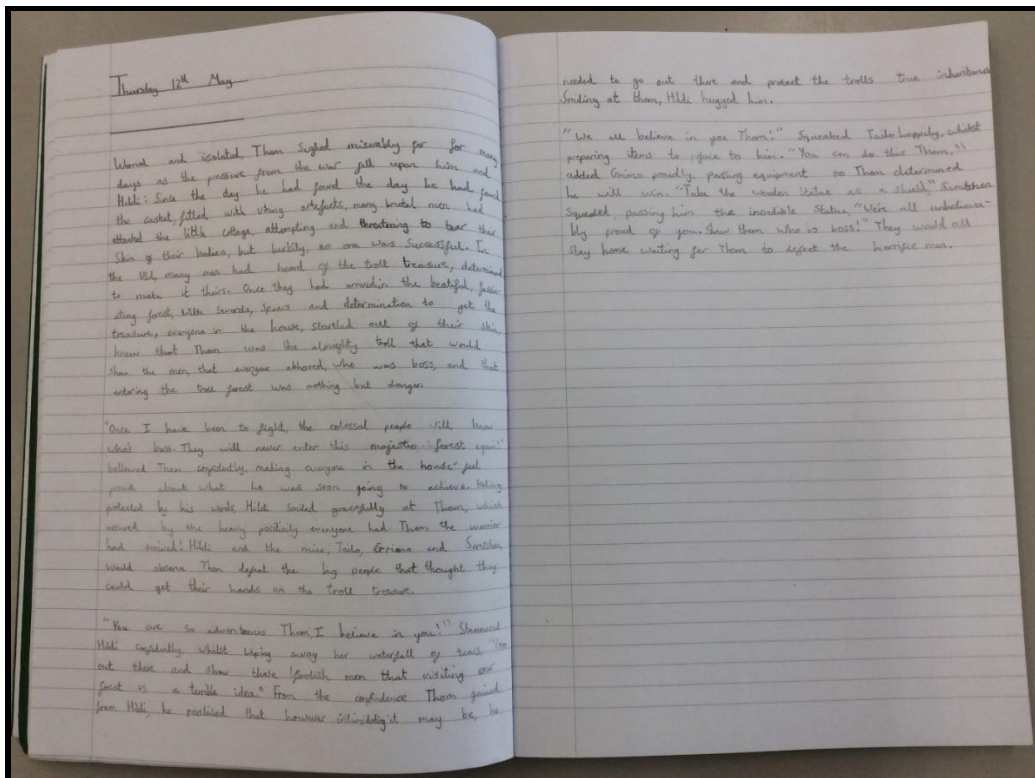


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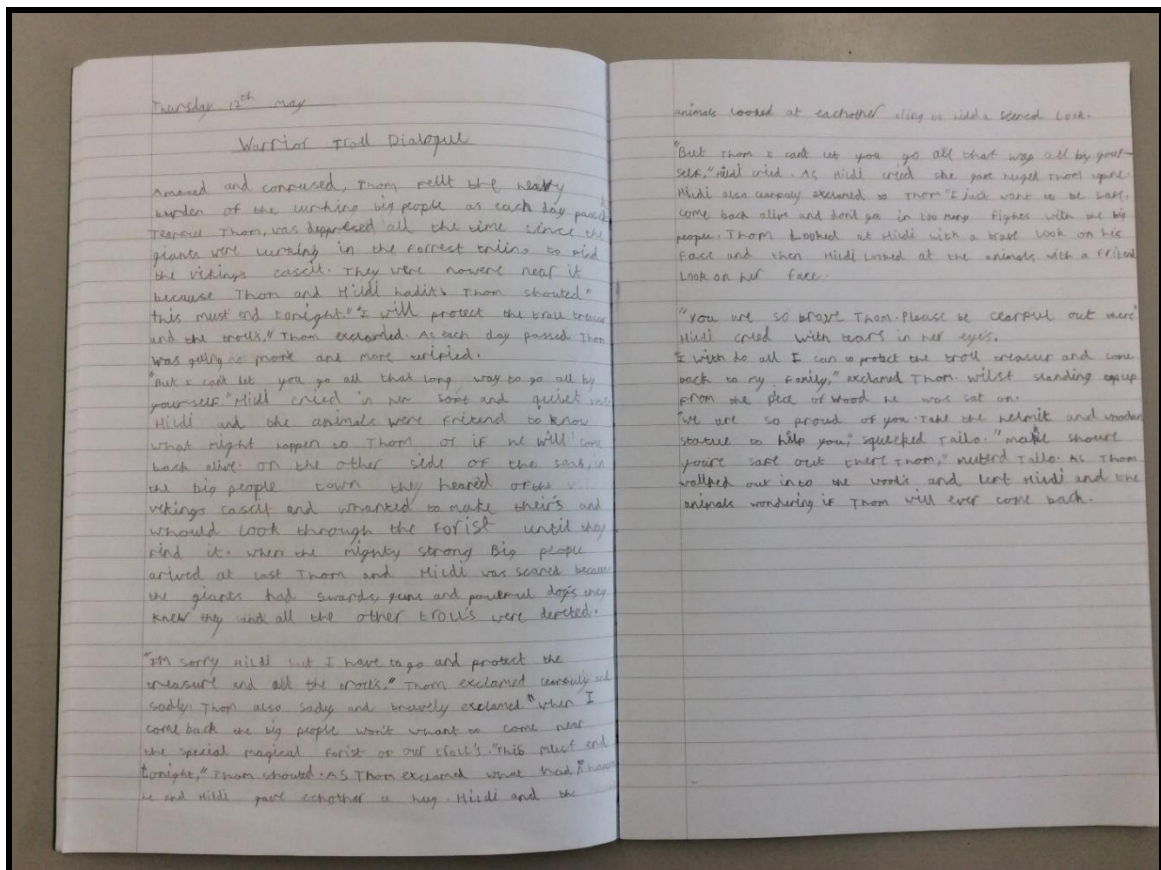
Following our author visit last week, we have been writing a piece of dialogue between the trolls (Hildi and Thom) from our story, The Warrior Troll. Year 5 have produced some fantastic pieces of writing this week. They should be very proud of themselves. We're excited to share some examples with you.



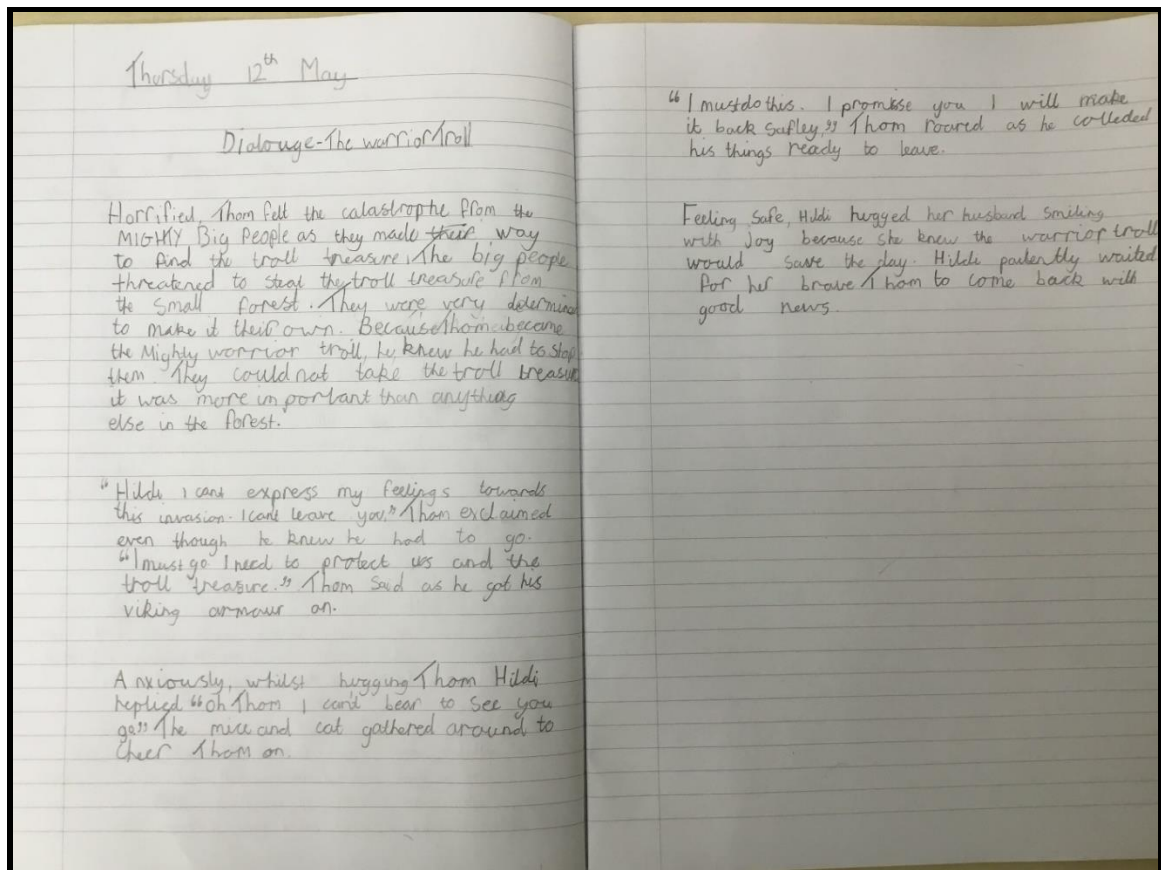
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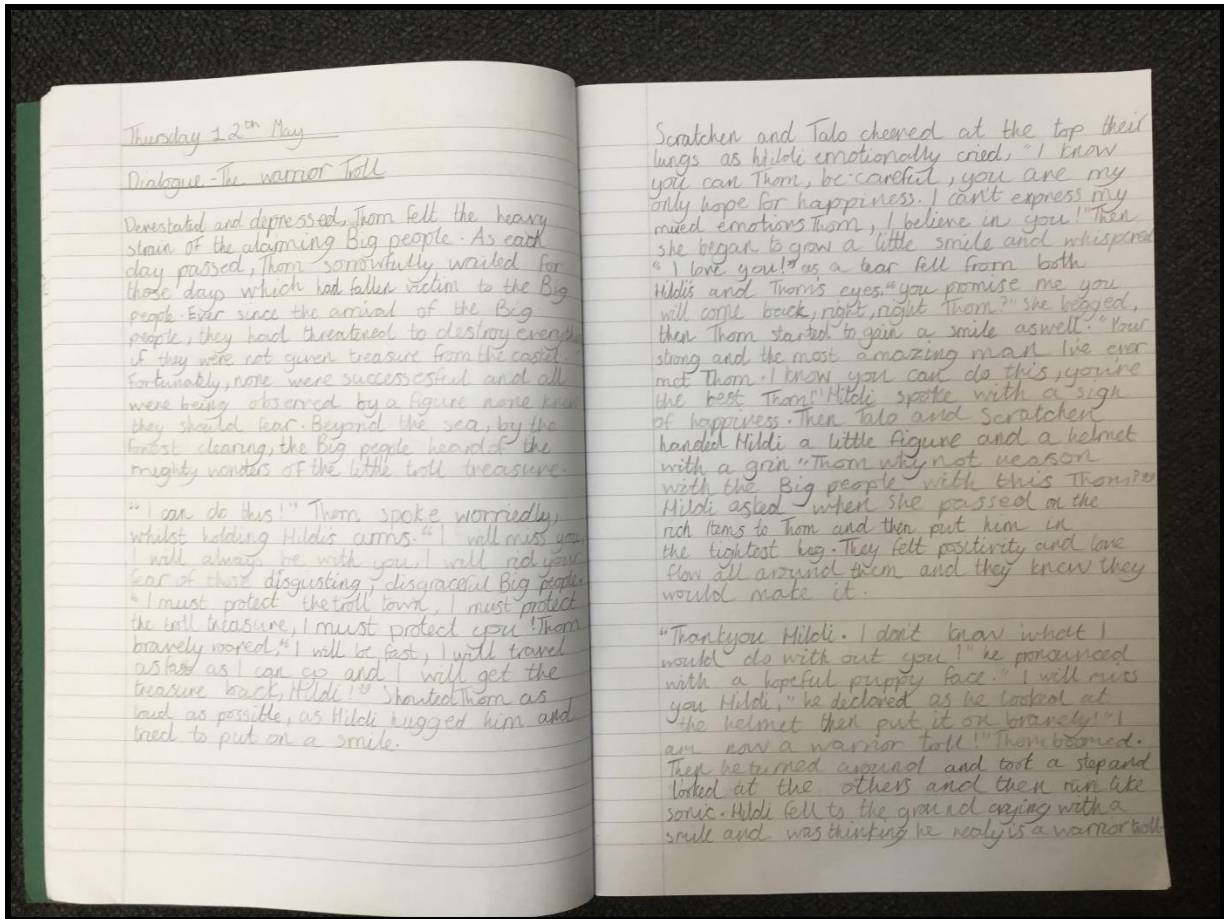
Darcey



Emily



Skye



Thursday 12th May

Dialogue - The warrior Troll

Devastated and depressed, Thom felt the heavy strain of the alarming Big people. As each day passed, Thom sorrowfully wailed for those days which had fallen victim to the Big people. Ever since the arrival of the Big people, they had threatened to destroy everything if they were not given treasure from the coast. Fortunately, none were successful and all were being observed by a figure none knew they should fear. Beyond the sea, by the forest clearing, the Big people heard of the mighty wonders of the little troll treasure.

"I can do this!" Thom spoke worriedly, whilst holding Hildi's arms. "I will miss you, I will always be with you, I will rid your fear of those disgusting, disgraceful Big people. I must protect the troll town, I must protect the troll treasure, I must protect you!" Thom bravely roared. "I will be fast, I will travel as fast as I can go and I will get the treasure back, Hildi!" Shouted Thom as loud as possible, as Hildi hugged him and tried to put on a smile.

Scratchen and Talo cheered at the top their lungs as Hildi emotionally cried, "I know you can Thom, be careful, you are my only hope for happiness. I can't express my mixed emotions Thom, I believe in you!" Then she began to grow a little smile and whispered "I love you!" as a tear fell from both Hildi and Thom's eyes. "You promise me you will come back, right, right Thom?" she begged, then Thom started to grin a smile as well. "You strong and the most amazing man I've ever met Thom. I know you can do this, you're the best Thom!" Hildi spoke with a sign of happiness. Then Talo and Scratchen handed Hildi a little figure and a helmet with a grin. "Thom why not reason with the Big people with this Thom?" Hildi asked when she passed on the rich items to Thom and then put him in the tightest bag. They felt positivity and love flow all around them and they knew they would make it.

"Thankyou Hildi. I don't know what I would do with out you!" he pronounced with a hopeful puppy face. "I will miss you Hildi," he declared as he looked at the helmet then put it on bravely! "I am now a warrior troll!" Thom boomed. Then he turned around and took a step and looked at the others and then ran like sonic. Hildi fell to the ground crying with a smile and was thinking he really is a warrior troll.

Holly W

Year 6



Well done to all of the Year 6 children for working so hard this week and completing their SATs tests. We are so proud of you. This afternoon, we celebrated with a water fight and barbecue.

Art News

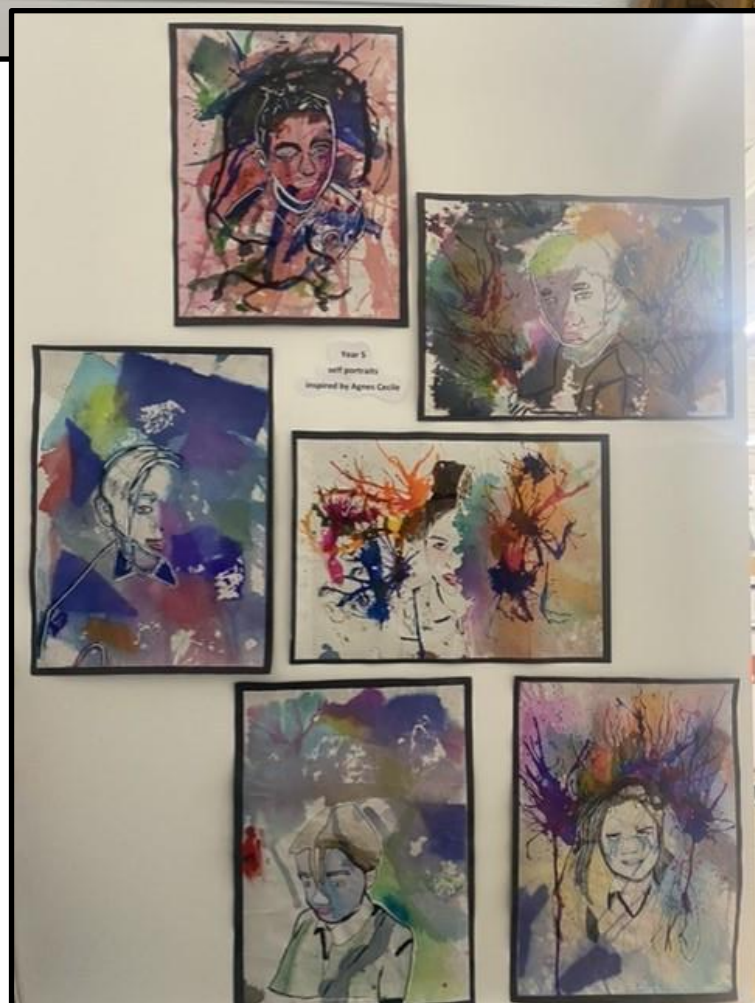
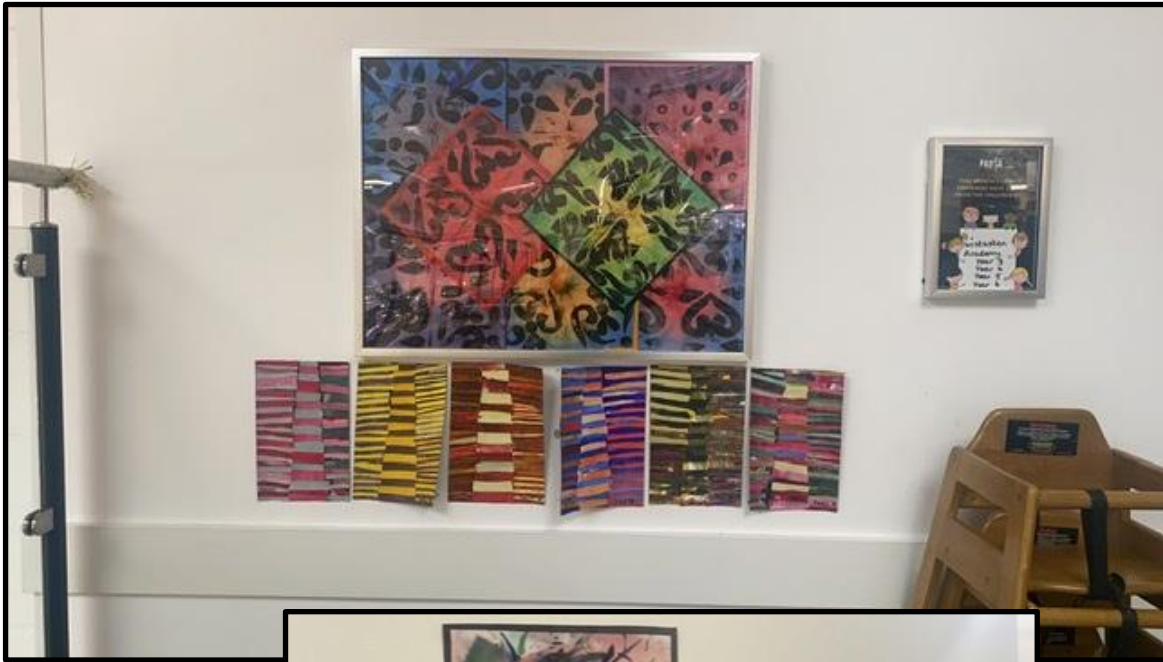
Focus on Reception

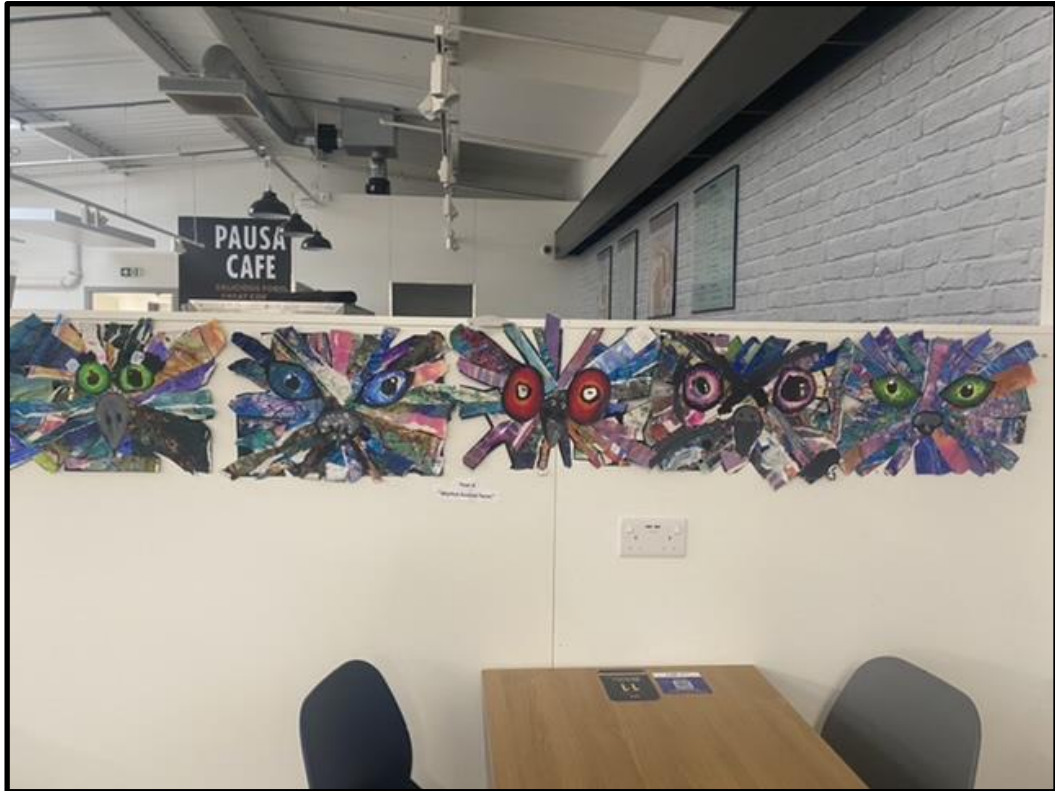


In Reception we have been looking at the artist Andy Goldsworthy and his use of natural, found objects in land art. We had a go at drawing spirals and following our lines with large stones that gradually became smaller as they moved towards the middle.

Exhibition at Dunelm Mill

We have been fortunate this week to have been nominated by Dunelm Mill to exhibit some of our artwork in their café. Please pop down to see our work on display! We have Banksy-style self portraits by Year 6, more self-portraits by Year 5 inspired by Agnes Cecile, "Warhol Animal Faces" by Year 4 and both Paul Klee-based collage and Rangoli pattern inspired prints from Year 3! Well done everyone!

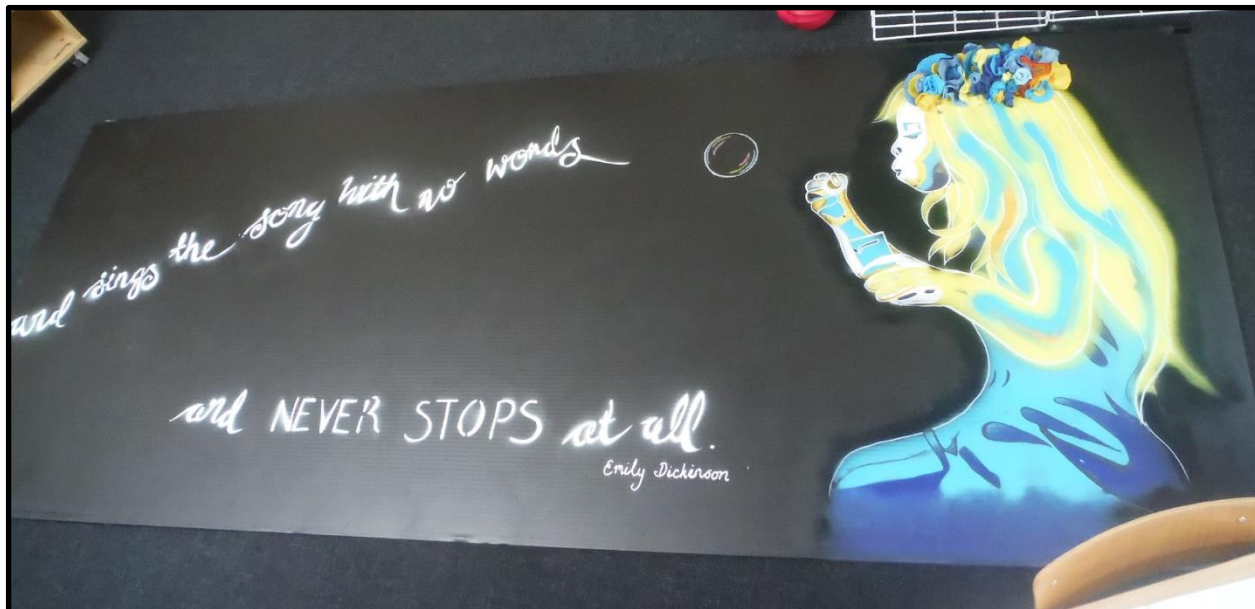




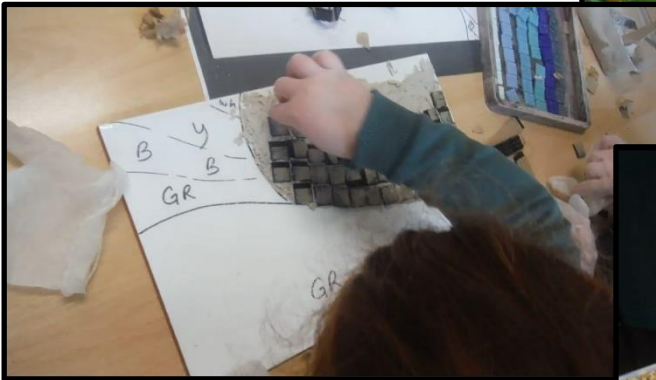
Art for Ukraine Day!

Ukraine Day is finally here! We have had a wonderful day. ☺

There will be many photographs to follow, but to begin with, we have some artwork that Year 5 and 4 have been working on ready for Year 1 to add some more elements. This will go on our fence to let our local community know how much we care about the people of Ukraine. The quote is by poet Emily Dickinson: "Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul and sings the song with no words and never stops at all."



Year 5 have also been busy creating a collaborative mosaic of Van Gogh's Starry Night, with the twist that we are putting a Ukrainian building in the foreground. This will take time to finish, but will go outside when completed:



PE News

Focus on the Y3 and 4 football competition

On Thursday 12th May, 8 children were selected from Y3 and 4 to represent our school in the football competition which was held at The Crewe Alexandra Soccer Centre. They took part in a number of football matches against other schools. They managed to win some of the matches which was excellent. Our talented children had a brilliant time, showing off their footballing skills and supporting each other.

Thank you to all the parents and carers that came along to support.



Walk to School Week Begins

Next week is 'Walk to School Week', commencing Monday 16th May. We would love to see as many children as possible walking, cycling and travelling on their scooters to school. If you normally drive to school, what about parking a bit further away from school this week and walking part of the way? For every day your child is active travelling to school this week and next week they will receive an achievement mark on Arbor, which you will be able to see on your school gateway.



Remember to leave your bikes and scooters by the bike shed at the front of the school!

School will not accept any responsibility for bikes which are left unlocked.

After school clubs

Just a little reminder that After School clubs are running till Thursday 26th May 2022 and they are **all free of charge**. If your child is interested in taking part in any of our clubs, please sign them up through Arbor. Please note, children who were signed up for clubs in previous term will need to sign up again.

Our club days and times are:

Year 5&6 Boys Football with Mr Barton

Monday 3:15-4:15pm

Year 5&6 Girls Football with Mr Barton

Tuesday 3:15-4:15pm

Year 2 Multisports Club with The Sports Coaching Company

Tuesday 3:05-4pm



Multisports give children the opportunity to take part in active, fun and rewarding sporting activities. Children will be able to try many different sports to broaden their interests and knowledge in physical activity.

Year 3 Dodgeball Club with The Sports Coaching Company

Friday 3:15-4:15pm

Year 4 Dodgeball Club with The Sports Coaching Company

Thursday 3:15-4:15pm



Dodgeball is a team sport in which players on two teams try to throw balls and hit opponents, while avoiding being hit themselves. Children will be active, enjoy playing with friends and will have fun!

Year 1 Gymnastics Club with Jasmine and Alisha Evanson from Cheshire Gymnastics

Friday 3:05-4pm



Please ensure that ALL children are collected from clubs outside the main reception.

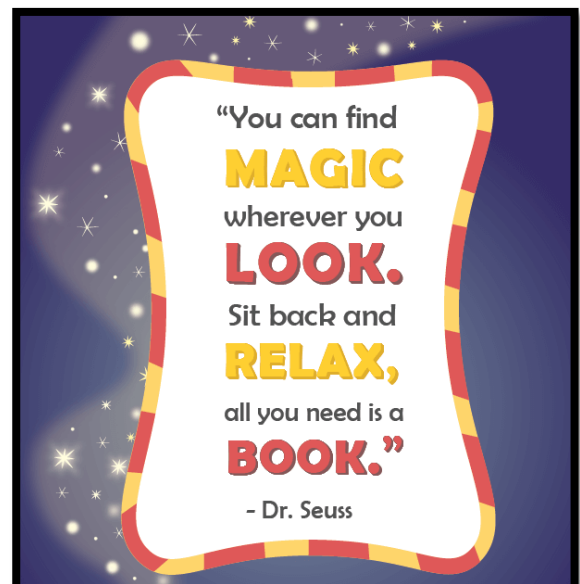
Reading tips

1. Make reading active

Play games that involve making connections between pictures, objects and words, such as reading about an object and finding similar things in your home. You could organise treasure hunts related to what you're reading. Try creating your child's very own book by using photos from your day and adding captions.

2. Engage your child in reading in a way that suits them

You know your child best and you'll know the best times for your child to read. What matters most is that they enjoy it.





SAT 16 JULY 2022
10.00AM - 4:00PM

DRS OPEN DAY



ADULT ENTRY
ONLY £5
U16S FREE!*



This hugely popular family event is back in Crewe this year.

There's loads to do and see, with lots of DRS railway engines on show, including their fantastic Class 88.

DRS volunteers are on hand to tell you all about them. Plus some great stalls, exhibitions, information on keeping safe near railways and lots of face painting!

It's all in aid of UK charities and other deserving community causes!

DRS Gresty Bridge Depot,
Gresty Road, Crewe,
Cheshire, CW2 5AA

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*Under 16s free (must be accompanied at all times). Pay at the gate or visit shop.directrailservices.com for advance tickets at the latest Open Day news. Important: No hi-vis clothing to be worn by visitors. Strictly no parking at the Depot. No smoking or alcohol on-site. Sensible footwear to be worn. No dogs allowed, except guide dogs. Please be aware that DRS reserve right of entry, even if you have a ticket. Full T&Cs on tickets or at shop.directrailservices.com



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FUN DAY

CREWE, ELLESMERE PORT & CHESTER

21ST MAY

11AM - 2PM



BBQ BOUNCY CASTLES GAMES AND MUCH MORE!

#CheshireCollSWCommunityDay

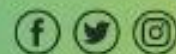
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Dementia Awareness Week

Richmond Retirement Village are holding a 'Time for a cuppa' event on Thursday 17th May to help raise vital funds to support families facing dementia. They have asked for our help to support this event by baking cakes to sell at the event.



If you would like to donate cakes to support this event please pass them onto your child's class teacher by Wednesday 16th May.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

British Values

UN Rights of a Child

We all have rights and shouldn't be treated unfairly no matter who we are, where we live, what language we speak, what our religion is, what we think, what we look like or what our background is.

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NO DISCRIMINATION

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British Values

Democracy

Danielle has used her voice to help educate others and stamp out prejudice. It is important that we listen so we can understand, learn about, and celebrate our differences.

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