



NEWSLETTER – Friday 9th February 2024

Despite some staff sickness and absence this week, we have had another really busy week of learning at George White. It has been lovely talking to some the children about their VIPERS texts. They are clearly enjoying what they are reading during this time which is lovely to see and hear.

Yesterday morning we found a wonderful new addition to the school library, see photo. Thank you to Rosa in Year 5 for donating Fudge, he is already very popular with pupils (and staff).

Next week is our **Aspirations Week**. We have an exciting week of events planned across the school. We will also will be talking to the children about their aspirations and their goals in order to reach these.

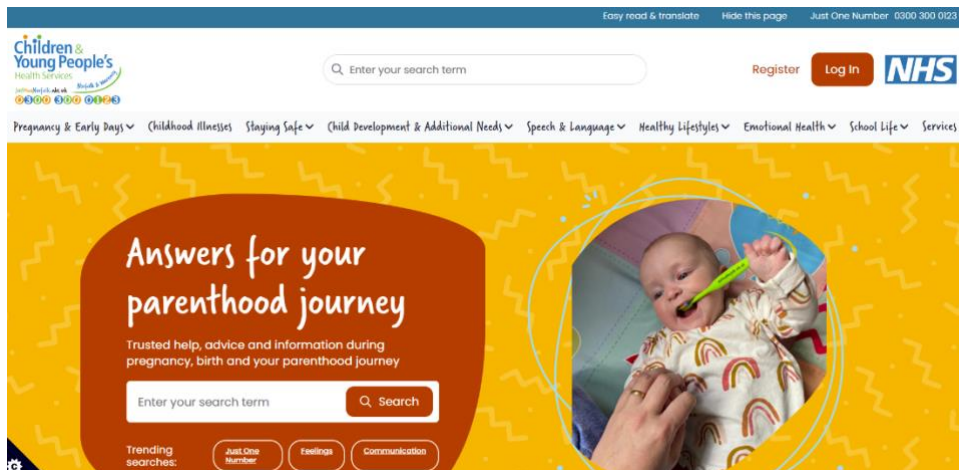
Have a lovely weekend.



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OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK

YEAR 3

We unwrapped our mummified tomato remains! They were very shrivelled and dried. They had shrunk. Some had gone all crispy. We could barely contain our gasps and shrieks of disgust...

In Maths we have been learning to measure in metres and centimetres. We have been out on the playground using metre sticks to measure things. We know that if the metre stick is not long enough, we can make a mark where 100cm is and start from that point at 0. We have recorded measurements as _____m and _____cm. We have also learned to measure in millimetres. We have found out that 'mille' is French for one thousand so there must be 1000mm in a metre.

In English we are working on stories based on 'The Magic Faraway Tree' as part of National Story Telling week last week. We are planning and planning ready to tell our stories in an engaging way. In Science we have been finding out about uses for magnets. We made our own floating compasses. We had to magnetize a needle and then put it through Styrofoam so that it could float in a bowl of water.



YEAR 4

This week YR4 have had to adapt quite a lot to changes to the normal timetable but have coped with this tremendously! Well done to each and every one of you.

In Maths we had an introductory lesson to finding the perimeter of rectangles. This involved whiteboard work and then working with a partner, going on a perimeter treasure hunt! YR4 really enjoyed this task and showed off how much they already knew about Perimeter.

Our science lesson involved making a water cycle in a bag and predicting what will happen to the water using key vocabulary. We will examine the bags on Friday and see if our predictions were correct.

On Monday we had our first DT lesson of the term. We spoke about different doorbells, their purpose and the potential users. Afterwards YR4 began their designs, reverting back to prior learning of electrical circuits to help them.

In geography we learnt about local rivers and all about the Norfolk Broads, what they were used for, compared to what they are used for now. YR4 also learnt the reason for Yarmouth's name...I wonder if they can tell you? They then began creating a holiday brochure of the Norfolk broads which they will complete next week.

Well done again YR4 for another jam-packed week!



YEAR 5

A full on week in year 5. In English we have had a great time creating sentence written for our transmission from Mars. We have had to put ourselves into the mind of Mark Watney from the book/film 'The Martian' and have had to invent the names for space agencies (e.g. GWSA- George White Space Agency) and for Mars vehicles.

In our Maths work, we have finished our unit on fractions. On Tuesday, we created a zoo and worked out the fractions of how much space each animal took up.

In History, we learnt about the Spanish Armada and freeze-framed key moments from it.

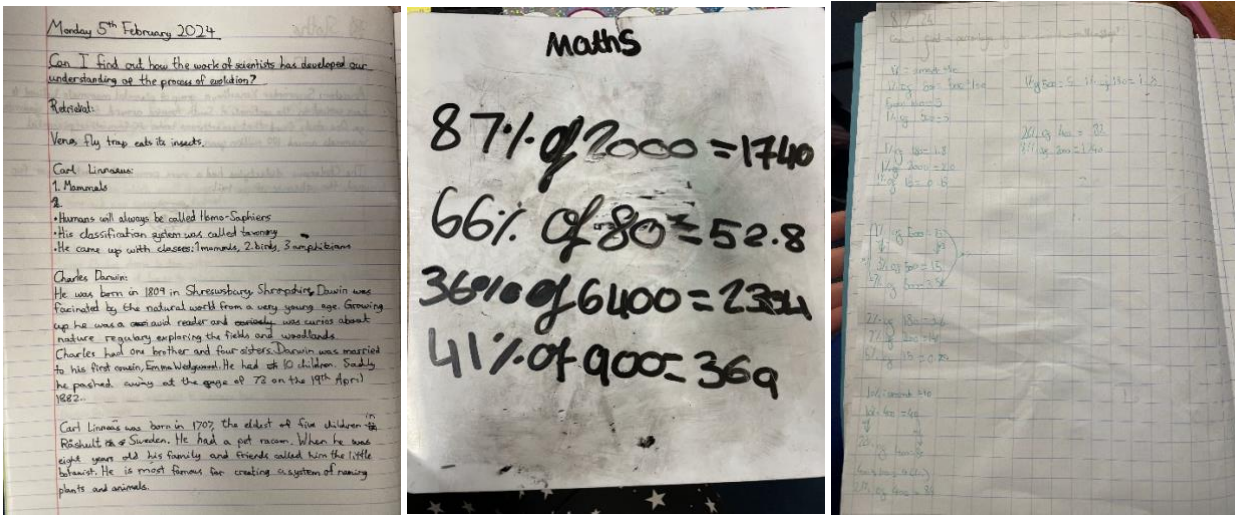
Our Science this week was all about the moon. We learnt how the phases of the moon occur and re-created this in the classroom.



YEAR 6

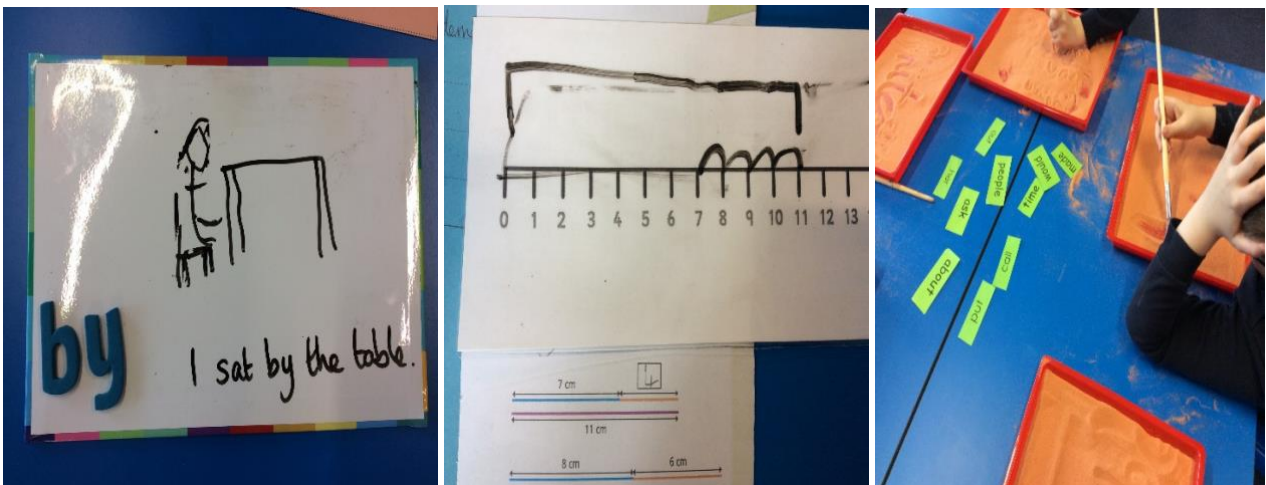
We have had a lovely week in Year 6 this week! In English, we have begun looking at non-chronological reports based on the book 'Charles Dawin's On the Origin of Species' by Sabina Radeva. In math's we have been converting between fractions, decimals and percentages as well as finding percentages of amounts (check some of our work out!). On Monday, we learnt all about Carl Linnaeus and Charles Darwin. We researched their lives and wrote speeches about this. On Tuesday, it was more Samba, dance and French football and numbers. On Wednesday, in RE, we focused on eternity and love, we researched ways in which Jesus portrayed love in the bible. After this, we began our textiles unit in DT. We researched different features of phone cases and created a questionnaire to find out what other people look for when

purchasing a phone case. On Thursday, we looked at healthy meals in PSHE and looked at different tribes in the Amazon rainforest in geography. Finally, we continued our tag rugby lessons in PE.



Blake Class

This week in Blake class, we have been using a variety of resources to help us with our learning. In maths, we have been looking at perimeter of rectilinear shapes and using number lines to find missing measurements. In English, we have been writing descriptive sentences of the magician Abdul Kazam from our book, 'Leon and the Place Between' and have been using different strategies to help us to remember words we need to use but might find tricky to spell. In science, we have used our knowledge of how to construct a circuit to make a light-up clown face, linking to our English work on descriptive writing about the circus. Children have been thinking about how to work together this week and we have had lots of 'Playtime Heroes', people who have tried hard to support and include others. Well done Blake class for implementing our school values so well this week!



Our school attendance target is 95%

Our attendance certificate for the highest class attendance this week goes to **6 Ness with 97%. Well done!**

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