





# YR News

## Naughty Bus

This week, we started to read 'Naughty Bus'. This is a story where a London bus gets up to lots of mischief. We have been very busy painting a road for Naughty Bus to travel along in our classroom.



## Past and Present

We also started learning about the difference between past and present. We looked very carefully at some photos and used our best historian detective brains and eyes to work out whether the photo showed the past or the present.

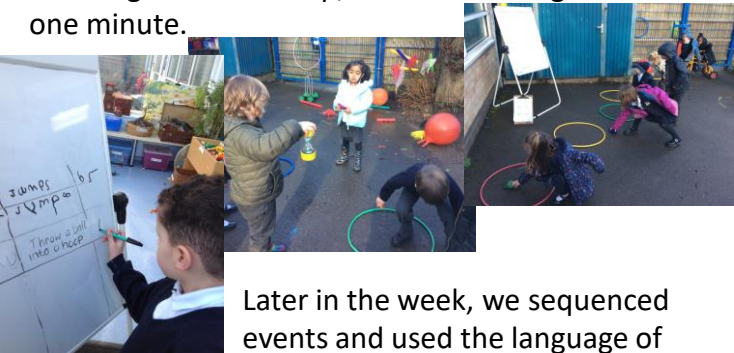
## Journeys

We began to think about how maps are used to show the way, and to explore how to represent places on a map. We are looking forward to more map learning next week.



## Maths

During maths this week, we learnt about the concept of time. We started off by exploring how time is measured and experimented using sand timers to measure one minute and to work out how many star jumps, or beanbags into the hoop, we could manage in one minute.



Later in the week, we sequenced events and used the language of time to give instructions. We learnt how to make jam sandwiches, told our friends the instructions and then had a go at making our own jam sandwiches.



## Super Writing

During Phonics, we often write a sentence, and Reception are totally fabulous at this!



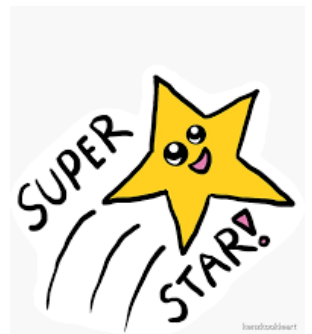
## Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?

This week was the first week of our new RE unit. We are learning about the significance of the Easter story for Christians and today we began the journey by learning about Palm Sunday. We looked at some art, learnt a Hosanna song and made our own palm leaves.



## We are celebrating you!

This week we are celebrating Eliana for her enthusiasm and engagement across all areas of learning.



# Year 1 News



## Science

We have been learning about reptiles and their key features. They worked together to create a book filled with fascinating facts and labelled diagrams and pictures.

## Maths

Year 1 have been using a variety of concrete resources to deepen their understanding of doubles! The children created posters showing that a double consists of two equal parts.



## Writing

The children have been planning information texts about tigers, which they will begin writing next week.

## DT

Year 1 have been given a challenge to design and build a windmill! We started our learning by investigating the different parts of a windmill and their roles. The children then begun constructing structurally sound windmill bases, which they will soon add sails to.

## Geography

We used atlases to help us to identify the four nations of the UK and their capital cities. Some of us were amazed to see how small the UK is in comparison to other countries!



This week, we are celebrating Michael for his fantastic contributions during our Geography lesson this week.

Our Writers of the Week are Inaya and Jason for their planning ready for writing about tigers!



# Y2 News

## English:

This week, we read a descriptive story 'The Day the Elephants Led the Parade' and talked about the new vocabulary and setting of the story. We really enjoyed talking part in the role play based on the story. We loved working as a team and enjoyed using the story cards to sequence the story



## Science:

This week, we have been learning about the animals and plants that live in the ocean. We enjoyed exploring animals and plants that survive in the ocean. We identified and created a list of animals and plants that are able to survive in extreme conditions.



In **Geography**, we identified geographical characteristics of the UK. It was fun to locate the four capital cities on a map of the UK, London, Cardiff, Belfast and Edinburgh. We loved identifying human and physical features on an aerial photograph, talking about the characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK.

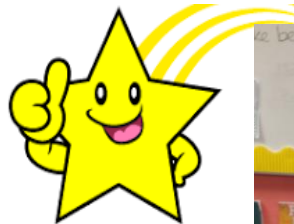
## Art

Our Art lesson was all about exploring and finding out what we can do with clay. We used our hands and tools to shape the clay and flatten the clay to make a smooth surface. We loved using various tools to make marks in the clay by pressing into it.



## Maths:

This week, the children looked in detail at multiplication and used their knowledge of equal groups to support them in developing their understanding of division.

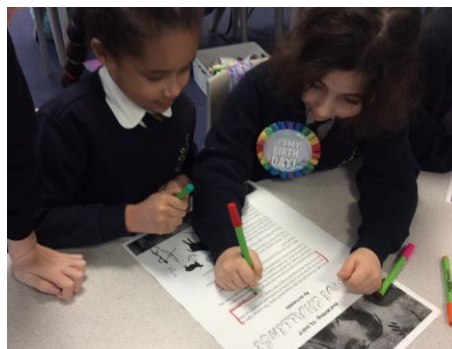


Writer of the Week: Emer

Star of the week is: Rex

# Year 3 News

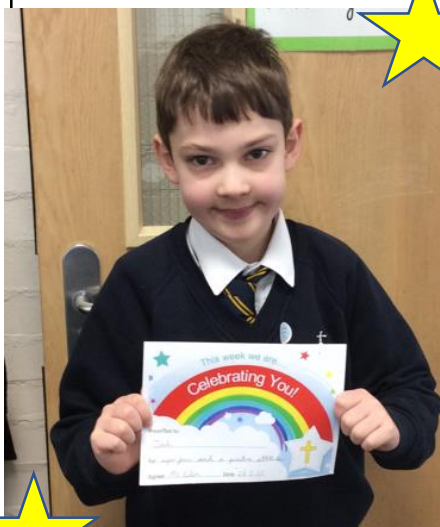
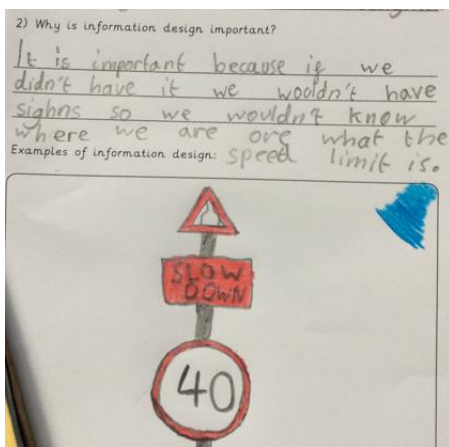
In English, we began our new writing unit: Cave Challenge. We explored our model text, discussed new vocabulary and thought about the stages of a narrative.



In Geography, we learnt all about lines of latitude and longitude to begin our new topic: Who lives in Antarctica?



In DT, we have been thinking about information design. We discussed why information design is important and we thought about any examples we have seen.

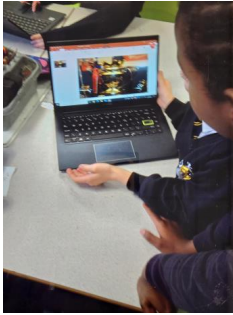


This week in Year 3, we are celebrating Josh for his super focus and positive attitude!

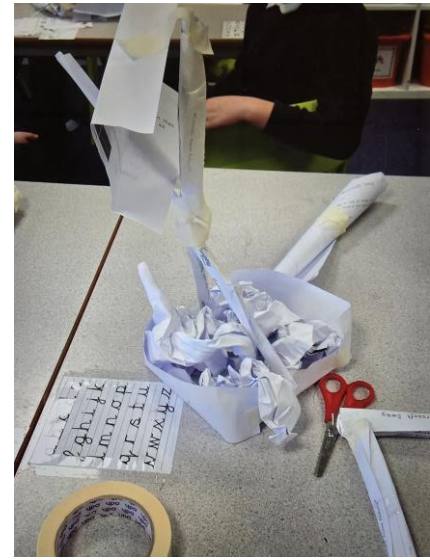
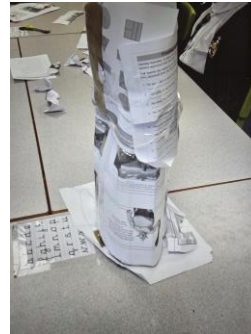
Chloe and Sophia were so excited about our learning in computing that they went home and created their own poster about inputs and outputs! What fantastic enthusiasm!



# Year 4 News



This week, we started our new topics in Year 4. In Computing, we are designing our own websites using Microsoft Sway.



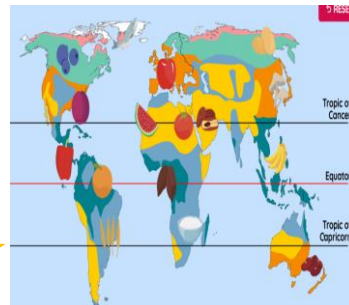
In D&T, we are studying pavilions and structures. This week we made our own structures from paper. We were learning about how to make a structure that has a reinforced base to support itself.

In Maths, we are continuing our learning all about fractions. This week, we have been learning about mixed numbers and improper fractions and how to convert between the two.

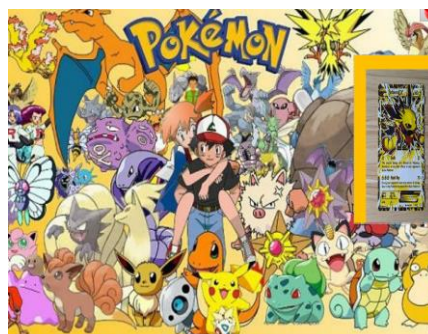
In English, our first topic this half term is all about Newspaper reports and how to write one. We have practiced using the layout of a newspaper report, as well as writing introductions.



In Geography, this half term, we are learning about where our food comes from. We studied a world map and looked at what food grows in each biome.



This week's star is Sabrin for a fantastic start on her first week at our school!



## Writers of the week:



This week our writers of the week are:

Sophia & Tilly

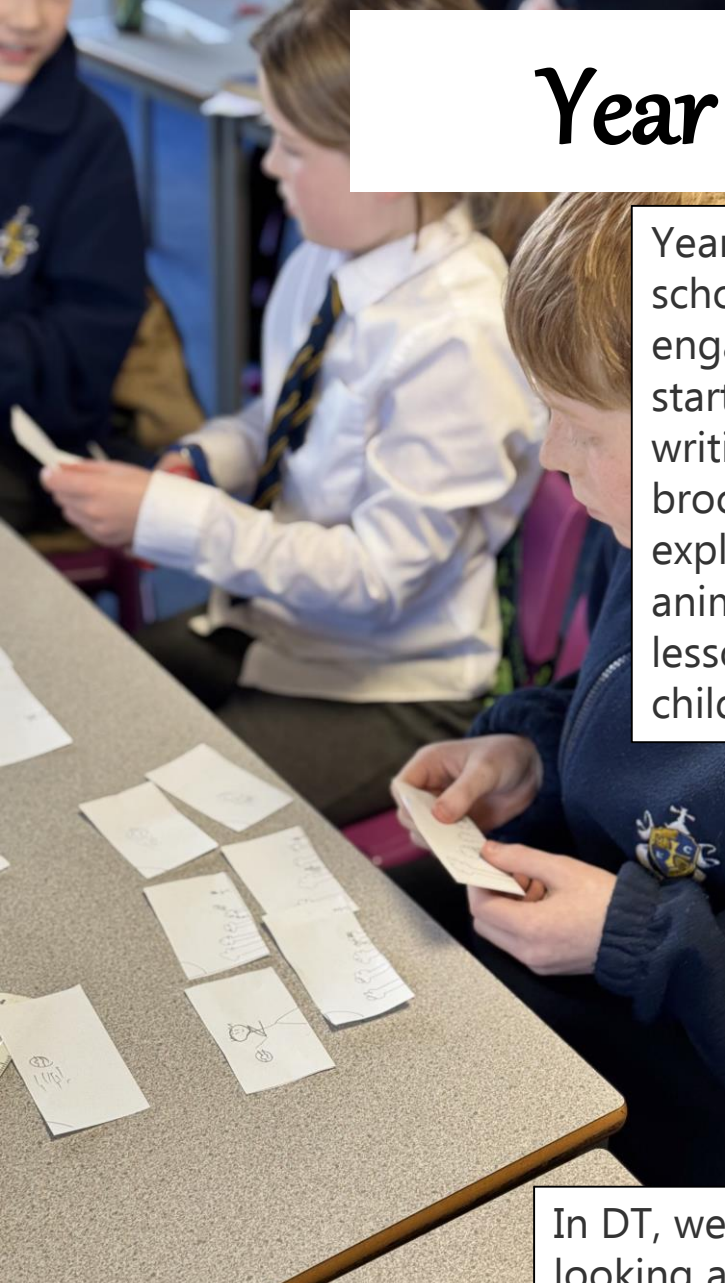
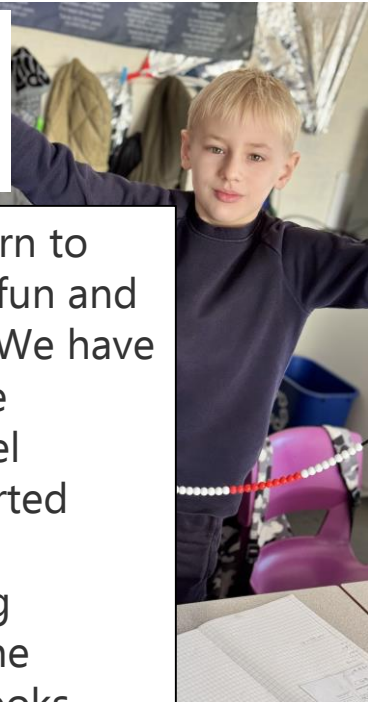
- for generating some great ideas this week for their stories

'Puzzle day was great today! I really enjoyed trying the different games, some were very challenging' -



# Year 5 News

Year 5 have had a great return to school with a range of new, fun and engaging topics to explore. We have started looking at persuasive writing, with a focus on travel brochures. We have also started exploring different types of animations in our computing lessons. In our first lesson, the children were creating flipbooks.



In DT, we have started looking at how different bridges have been built. In PE, we have started exploring defensive skills in our new topics for this half term; basketball and rugby.

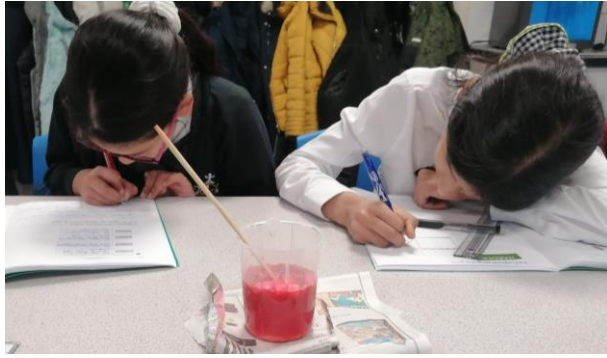


**Shining Star!**  
Our Shining Star this week is Avni for her amazing focus in class

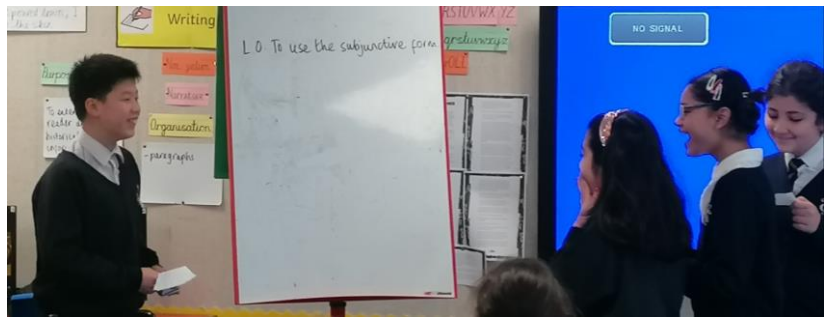
**Writers of the week!**  
This week, we are celebrating Dexter and Eva for their work on relative clauses.



# Year 6 News



In Science, this week, we started our new topic about the circulatory system. We learnt about blood and the different parts it is made up of. We found out that red blood cells carry oxygen, white blood cells help fight infection, platelets help our blood to clot when we get cuts and that plasma carries nutrients. We even had a go at making blood!



In RE, our big question is 'What difference does the resurrection make to Christians?' We read Luke 24 to find evidence of Jesus' resurrection, and then each group had a part of the text to act out.



This week our shining star is Lauren A, for a brilliant first week back. Keep it up Lauren!



Our writers of the week are Cheng and Lauren A for great diary entries from an evacuee in WW2.





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Do you remember the 'Wear it Red' Day we had, alongside the 'End of Half Term Disco', to raise money and awareness of the Midlands Air Ambulance?

**Well, we are pleased to announce that the donations you kindly gave meant that the PTA and Air Ambulance were able to get £150 each.**

We all had a lovely day, and it is great to know that both our school and the Air Ambulance have benefitted from your generosity.

Well done to everyone who was able to attend the disco, and a huge thank you once again to the PTA who enabled it to happen.



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These children have taken part in an event run by Mr. Perrier as part of the Children's Choir at St. Mary's Church.

The event ran for 5 weeks and all the children received certificates for taking part. They had to make up and sing songs for John Joubert, a musician who lived in Moseley.

Mathilda – It was really good fun – I love being part of the choir and I really enjoy the singing.

I like learning all about the music – Aurielle

I like finding out the background information about the songs we sing – Mick links the songs to verses from the Bible so that we can remember them – Sophie F

It's good fun and I get to be with my friends – Poppy B

We learn new songs and I get to meet new people. I enjoy it because it gives me new experiences - Ayrton





# Maths award winners

Best accuracy on number bonds to 10!



Numbots of the week!

Year R – Eliana

Year 1 – Emily

Year 2 – Odhran



Most time played  
this week!



Rockstars of the week!

Year 3 – Jacob

Year 4 – Tilly

Year 5 – Eva

Year 6 – Amelie

Great work this week everyone! Keep on working hard!



Read below for all the information you need to know about a new art competition that you can enter. If you want any more information, find Miss Smart at lunchtimes and ask her more about it -

 Young Artists

**\*\*Closing Date – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2025\*\***

Presents



Have fun and keep your kids busy creating mythical creatures for this national drawing competition.

From goblins and giants to unicorns and fairies, your children are invited to pick up their pencils, activate their imaginations and have some creative fun.

Drawings will feature in a special **Mythical Madness** book series showcasing artwork from across the country, alongside cool fact pages where they will learn about all things mythical! Plus, our favourite drawing from each book will be chosen to feature as the front cover!

**Mythical Madness** is free to enter, so get your club involved in this exciting activity today.

## How To Enter

- 1 Ask your children to draw on an entry form.
- 2 If you need any more forms, you can request as many as you need from [www.youngartists.co.uk](http://www.youngartists.co.uk) or by calling us on **01733 898109** and we'll send them to you free of charge. (Forms can be photocopied too!)
- 3 Send your pictures to us with your club's completed entry form using the FREEPOST sticker enclosed:

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Young Artists ASC  
Remus House  
Peterborough  
PE2 9BF

Or email scans to  
[info@youngartists.co.uk](mailto:info@youngartists.co.uk)

Or upload entries at  
[www.youngartists.co.uk/new-uploader](http://www.youngartists.co.uk/new-uploader)



## Prizes For Clubs

- ★ The club that sends in the best set of drawings will win an amazing **£1,000!**
- ★ **10 x runners-up** will each receive an animal adoption package for their clubs

**PLUS** Clubs will receive a complimentary copy of the book their children's work features in!

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of drawings!

## Prizes For Children

- ★ The best Mythical Madness drawing in each book will become the book's title and front cover. The artist will receive a goody bag full of creative supplies!

**PLUS** A sticker for every entrant. Children selected for publication also receive a certificate!





Ideas that you could draw ....

## Drawing Competition for 4-12 Year-Olds



Elves, fairies,

A flaming phoenix,

Playful pixies,



Witches on broomsticks,

Trolls,



dragons,



Mermaids - but wait...

What mythical madness

Can you create?

★ Fun, creative activity for your club!

★ Your club's drawings could be showcased in a cool book!

★ Win £1,000 for your club!



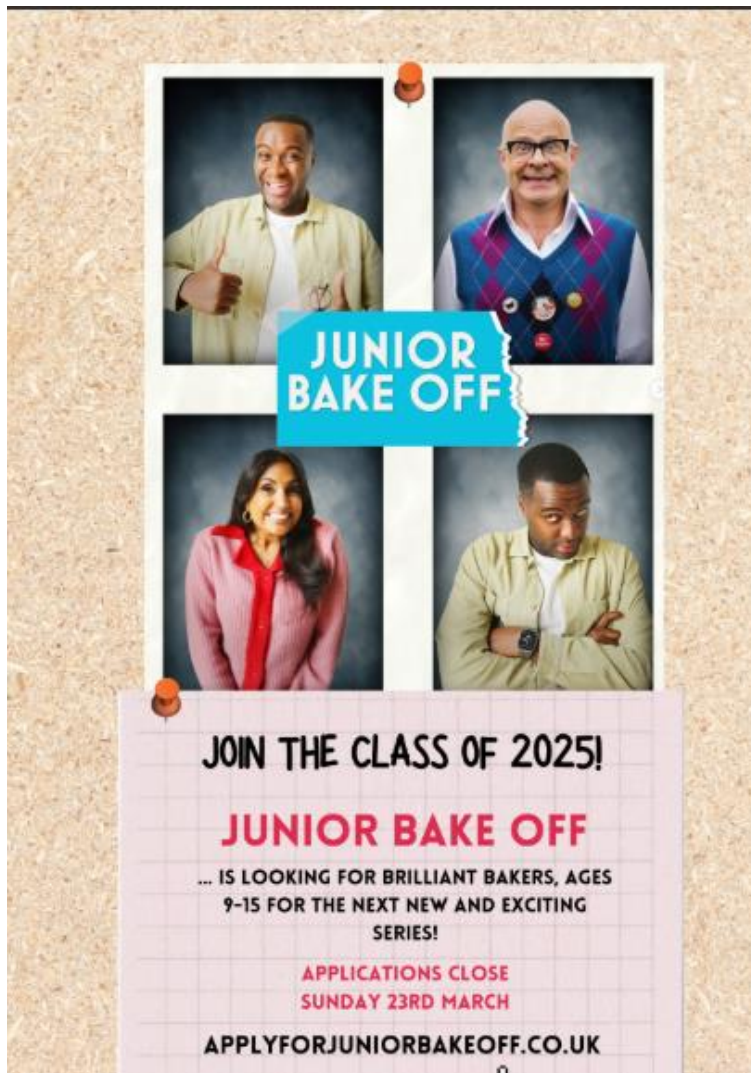
Read below for an exciting opportunity for any of our budding bakers to show off their creative, baking talents ...

Unfortunately, you have to be aged between 9 – 12 years old to enter

My name is Ollie, I'm an Assistant Producer at Love Productions; the production company behind **The Great British Bake Off**, **The Great British Sewing Bee** and **The Great Pottery Throw Down**.

We are delighted to say, that we have recently opened applications for the 11<sup>th</sup> series of **Junior Bake Off**; a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain.

**\*\*Bakers must be aged between 9 – 12 years old\*\***



Filming would take place from July 2025, but our **applications close on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025**.

Interested bakers can apply online at - [www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk](http://www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk)



See the information below for information about an Easter Holiday Club



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