



Rugby Free

Primary School

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Friday 5th February

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Headteacher's Message

This week we celebrated and took part in 'Children's Mental Health Week'. We thought it was more important than ever to focus on this as I know many children (and adults) are finding this lockdown really hard. We wanted the children to all be engaged with the different activities that the teachers have posted and have been wowed by the responses! We also loved our 'express ourselves' dress up day and we had some fantastic outfits! We enjoyed seeing the children's own clothes and what outfit really represented them. I know the teachers have all sent your children their own message about what they love about them. These have gone down really well and the feedback has been really lovely to receive. A huge thank you to the staff who have gone that extra 'mile' to support your children during this week particularly as I know this has added to their workload.

Again, I want to reiterate that you must just do your best if you are 'home learning' with your child. We don't expect every piece of work to be done every day if that is not manageable for you and in your circumstances. Everyone's circumstances are different and we understand that. We don't want learning to be a battle for you. Please reach out to us if you need any support of any kind and we will do our very best to help you.

Have a great weekend!

Miss Butters



Stars of the Week

Reception Giraffes:

Roop & Reuben
Lions:
Leah & Archer
Zebras:
Freddie & Oscar

Year One Hedgehogs:

Arlo & Aurelia
Owls:
Oliver & Vivaan

Rabbits:

Alyssa & Tariq

Year Two Orcas:

Milan & Poppy
Penguins:

Juli & Nikola
Seals:

Arielle & Khadeejah

Year Three Crocodiles:

Chinedu & Sienna F

Kangaroos:

Lydia & Kane

Turtles:

Dylan M & Arjan

Year Four Bears:

Henry & Skye

Eagles:

Sydney & Patrick

Raccoons:

Amelie & Kian

Year Five Elephants:

Amadou & Erin M

Pandas:

Kane & Anushay

Tigers:

Hope & Katie H

Act of kindness

This week we were very kindly gifted 5 brand new tablet laptops on behalf of TJX Europe and DHL whose eCom operations are based in Rugby.



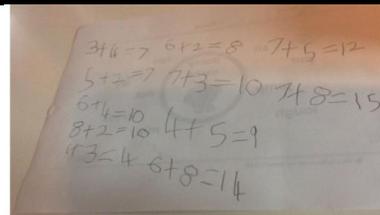
We feel incredibly lucky to receive these and know the children are excited to start using them.

Thank you so much!



Reception

We have had some fantastic learning in Reception this week! To celebrate Mental Health Awareness week, Reception have been discussing growth mindset and applying their understanding in some fun activities! We have loved hearing the children's ideas about 'the power of yet', 'the mysterious world of neurons' and 'the magic of mistakes!' In English we have been learning about the story 'The Gingerbread Man' and the children have written some amazing bossy verb instructions this week! They have even performed some incredible drama roleplay of the different characters; we may have some future Oscar winning actors and actresses in the Reception cohort this year!



In Maths, we have been exploring addition with some tricky challenges involving number lines, part-part-whole models and pictorial representations, the children have been Maths stars and really stretched their thinking this week!

Our PSHE learning asked the children what they would like to be in the future and what was important to learn now to help them achieve this goal. The answers we received were absolutely fantastic, we have lots of future teachers, vets, doctors and camera men/women learning in Reception right now!

We are so impressed with Reception's hard work this week; they are all superstars!

Maths by Coen and Art by Tessa



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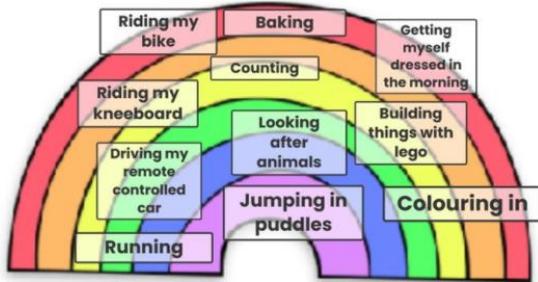
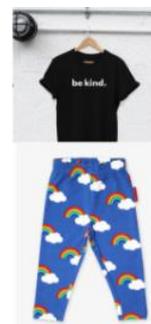
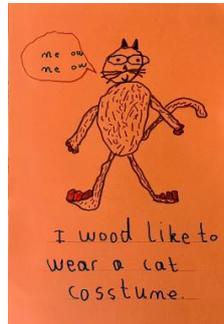
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Year One

This week Year 1 have been celebrating Children's Mental Health week with lots of fun activities. Every day on Zoom, we have been filling up a gratitude jar with things that we are grateful for. It has been lovely to hear what ideas everyone has had. On Wednesday, we had the chance to dress up in an outfit that expresses ourselves.

We also thought about our dream

outfits that we could wear if we could have any clothes in the world - there were some brilliant designs! On Thursday we reflected on the things that we are good at and put them on a rainbow. We realised that we all have a lot of different strengths!



Work by Oliver, Romillie & Jeo

Headteacher's

Awards:

- Ivy-Lin (Y1)
- Travis (Y2)
- James (Y3)
- Evelyn (Y4)

Year Two

This week Year 2 have enjoyed a range of tasks to celebrate Children's Mental Health Week. We have talked a lot about feelings and how to keep our bodies and minds healthy. They have dressed up in a way to express themselves, taken selfies and told us everything about themselves, taken part in yoga and also made a dream catcher.



My Family



Work by Harry & Toby

Year Three

It's been another great and busy week in Year 3! The children have been working on adding and subtracting money and finding change. They have been learning about the effects of mighty Mount Vesuvius on the city of Pompeii and studying sources in the form of art. In English, they have taken on the role of the citizens of Pompeii as part of their 'Escape from Pompeii' text to become eye witnesses and explore news reports before writing their own. The list is endless and they have been working their socks off! We are so proud of our wonderful Year 3s and all their learning both at home and in school. Thank you for making us smile every day!

Spanish by Connor

Sofia interviewing as an eye witness

Draw What You Read

1. Read the animal phrases in the "thought bubbles". Look carefully at the number of animals
2. Draw the number of animals in the empty boxes.





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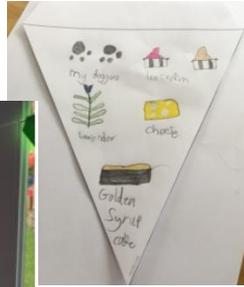
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Year Four

One of our activities for Children's Mental Health Week in Year 4 was to design your own bunting which celebrates ourselves. We have also been designing posters of how to keep ourselves happy and healthy.



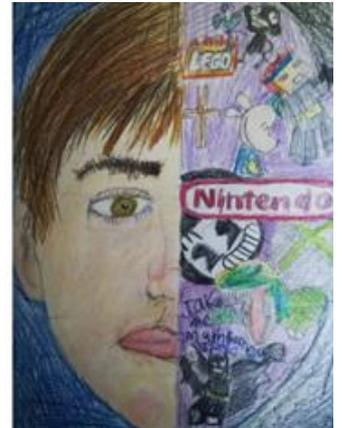
Bunting designs by Zak & Jacob and Healthy poster by Kimran

Year Five

This week in Year 5 we have finished our unit based on "Cosmic" and as part of this we composed list poems about a rocket launch into space. See this fabulous example by Kane F.

We have really enjoyed celebrating Children's Mental Health Week and the children have absolutely wowed us with their phenomenal responses to this. These outstanding drawings (which in our eyes are art gallery worthy) are by Minal and Sammy. Well done!

We have also started a new Maths unit on fractions, planned and carried out a science investigation into the size of craters and in History we have researched Sir Isaac Newton and found out about the "Space Race." Make sure you ask us about the facts we have learnt.



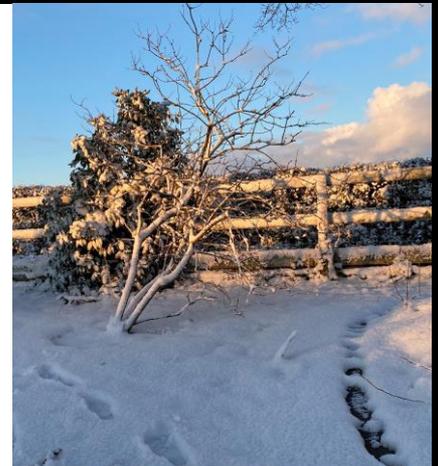
Monthly Photography Competition



Congratulations to our winners last month for their fantastic, creative and beautiful photographs!

We were inundated with amazing photographs and it was such a hard job choosing. Thank you for all of the stunning entries.

Theo – Y2 Molly – Y4



This month's competition ends on Sunday 28th February. Please email your entry to Mrs Odwell – eleanor.odwell@rugbyfreeprimary.co.uk by 5pm with your child's name in the email. We can't wait to see all of the different, creative and inspiring photographs. **February's theme is: LOVE**



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