



Rugby Free

Primary School

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Headteacher's Message

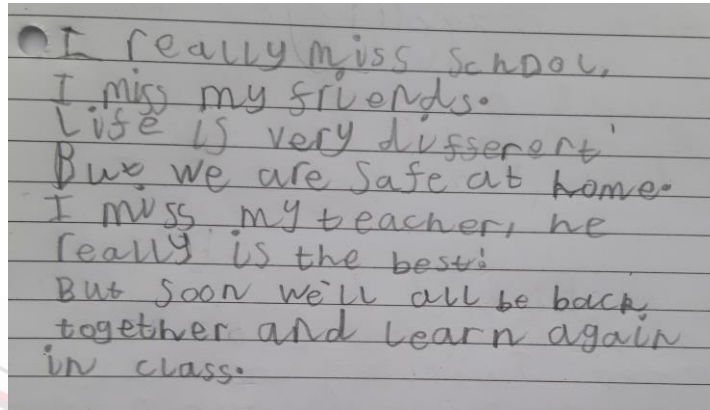
I want to thank every single child, parent and staff member for their incredible hard work, effort and dedication towards learning this half term. It has been an very difficult 6 weeks for many of you and I am so proud of everyone's effort and determination to do the best that they can manage. We always tell the children to just 'try their best' but this is the same for parents and staff members too!

I would really like all pupils to switch off from formal learning over half term (and hopefully reduce their screen time!) and enjoy playing and being children. I'd love to hear that they have had lazy days, walks in their local area, had the opportunity to paint, colour and draw or create something out of recycling. Below are two links with some free ideas:

[21 free \(or very cheap\) ways to sprinkle joy for kids over half term \(moneysavingexpert.com\)](https://moneysavingexpert.com)

[10 fun ways to entertain kids over half-term | Family holidays | The Guardian](#)

I hope that we are able to have the children all back at school as soon as possible and I'm hoping that we will be allowed from March 8th. Below is a fantastic poem by one of our pupils. I think it sums up how many of our children are feeling!



By Harry in Year 2

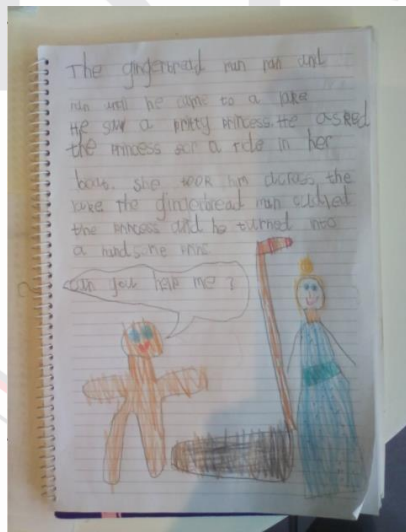
Thank you all for your fantastic support, it is very appreciated.

Miss Butters

Reception

It's been another busy week of fantastic learning in Reception and we are super proud of everyone's hard work! We have had lots of fun thinking about fairy tales for the last week of our topic and the teachers have been blown away by the children's incredible writing this week! We have thought of our own ideas for a new ending to the story 'The Gingerbread Man', writing super sentences and drawing fantastic illustrations! In Maths we have been exploring length, height and time. The children have made fantastic comparisons using accurate mathematical language in their answers. In our topic learning this week we have been getting ready for our exciting end of topic fairy tale Zoom party! The children have written invitations, made decorations and even designed some tasty fairy tale party food! We are going to have a super fun time this afternoon playing party games together!

Reception have been superstars this half term and all of the teachers are incredibly proud of them! They have definitely earned their half term break and we are excited about all of the fantastic learning for when we return. *Writing work by Leah*



Stars of the Week

Reception Giraffes:

Olivia & Hattie
Lions:
Harriet & Finlay
Zebras:
Eva & Tessa S

Year One Hedgehogs:

Nurun & Stephen
Owls:
Mazie & Scarlett
Rabbits:
Edward & Amelia R

Year Two Orcas:

Isabelle & Saanvi
Penguins:
Aakashi & Emily
Seals:
Sarrinah & Ruben

Year Three Crocodiles:

Isla B & Alexia
Kangaroos:
Ophelia & Emilia
Turtles:
Riley S & Oliwier

Year Four Bears:

Kimran & Louie
Eagles:
Katie B & Aarav
Raccoons:
Evie T & Punary

Year Five Elephants:



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Year One

This week Year 1 have been working really hard to create fact files to showcase their knowledge of our topic Bright Lights Big City. The children have recalled so much information about the UK including the countries and capital cities, the weather, seasons and even the physical features that you might find in the UK! We have been so impressed with what the children have produced this week.

We have also been doing some research about London landmarks. The children read through an information text and then made notes about 4 London landmarks. We were super impressed with their reading and the new facts they have learnt!

Landmark work by Amelia M

What is the weather like in the United Kingdom?

Season	Weather
spring	Rainbows in the sky, sun and lots of flowers and new life.
summer	Heat from the sun, green trees, kids playing outside with the ball and warm breeze.
autumn	Leaves changing colours and falling down, day is cooler, it's raining and wind is very strong.
winter	Snow and ice, day is getting shorter, it's freezing and night are getting longer.

What physical features are seen in the United Kingdom?

London work by Gabriel

<p>The Tower of London</p>	<p>Big Ben</p>
<p>The Gherkin</p>	<p>The London Eye</p>

Minal & Joshua
Pandas:
Olivia & Victoria
Tigers:
Lacey-Mae & Zac D

Headteacher's Awards:

Jacob M (Y1)
Sienna (Y2)
Evie T (Y3)
Sammy (Y5)

Year Two



I have used my lego blocks to make it colourful lighthouse. Then I used my toy light and disposable cup on top.

In Year 2 we have had an exciting week, learning about Safer internet day, about historical figure Grace Darling and shapes in Maths. Linked to our topic for Design Technology, we created lighthouses, like the ones Grace Darling would have lived in. Some children even found ways to make them light up too! Have a look at some of our incredible designs.

Awesome lighthouses by Ben, Tianna & Khadeejah

Year Three

Another busy week for our wonderful Year 3s. They have made us so proud with all their fabulous learning, positivity and can do attitude!

Here are some snippets of our week; we have been learning about tsunamis, making our own challenging decorative ornaments and sharing our solutions on overcoming challenges. We have been learning about an incredible mosaic artist called Emma Biggs before completing our own art work. We have also been exploring and creating our own leaflets using all the key features and our learning about Pompeii in Italy.

Rebecca's garden ornament





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Year Four

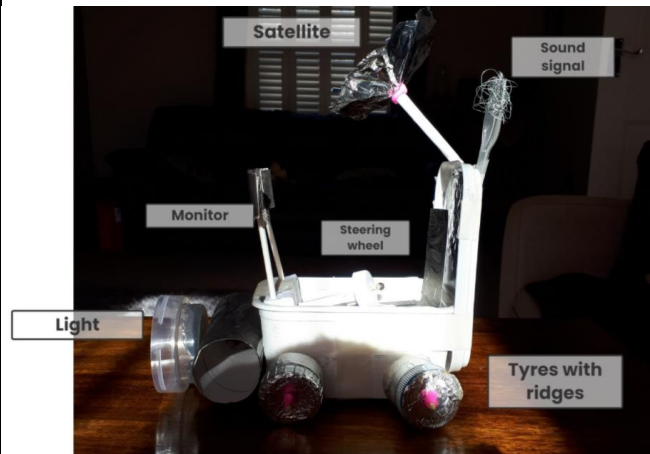
This week, Year 4 have produced some amazing work yet again both in school and through home learning. We were particularly impressed with the alternative endings for our Power of Reading text 'Arthur and the Golden Rope'. Our challenge was to create these in the form of comic strips and wow, there were some really wonderful and creative pieces produced. We definitely have some budding authors in this year group and we loved reading each and every one of them. Well done to every single member of Year 4.

Comic strips by Sydney & Isobel

Year Five

It has been another exciting week in Year 5. This week, we have been learning about the first moon landing of Apollo 11 in 1969. We have carried out research, put these events on a timeline and written our own newspaper report as if we were reporters in the past. As well as this, in Maths we have been looking at ordering and comparing fractions, which has been really tricky so well done to all of Year 5. In topic, we have carried out a DT project this week where we had to design, make and evaluate a

moon buggy. We had to think carefully about its design and what materials to use to withstand a hostile environment.



Moon buggy by Erin F

Timeline by Katie W

Timeline of Apollo 11 events:

- 16th July 1969 at 9.32 – They crew launched from the Florida Launchpad
- 19th July 1969 – slow the space station down enough to enter the moons gravitational force
- 20th July 1969 at 16.18 – they land on the moon
- 20th July 1969 at 22.56 Armstrong steps foot on the moon for the first time
- 20th July 1969 at 23.41 The United States flag is put up on the moon.
- 20th July 1969 at 23.48 US President Richard Nixon calls the astronauts by telephone
- 21st July 1969 at 13.54 they leave the moon and return back to the Lunar Module
- 24th July 1969 at 12.35 they re enter Earth's atmosphere
- 24th July 1969 at 12.51 they land in the Pacific Ocean

Vertical text on the right: Show me your timeline here, All in 1969 July

Monthly Photography Competition

A reminder that 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**

CBBC on YouTube Channel

CBBC have revamped their YouTube channel. They are uploading videos to it daily that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. They have all the top CBBC brands on there, with a wide range of genres from factual shows, news, dramas, comedy to entertainment. Programmes like Horrible Histories, Blue Peter, Newsround, The Next Step, Saturday Mash-Up, Operation Ouch, the Playlist, the Dumping Ground, Heirs of the Night and Jamie Johnson. They are also welcoming back Dani Harmer in the brilliant new programme My Mum Tracy Beaker.

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