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CLASS NEWS

19th May 2023

Message from the Headteacher

I would like to start the newsletter this week by saying a massive well done to our Year 6 children. They have worked hard all year and have demonstrated amazing resilience and a fantastic attitude towards their work. They have kept calm and completed all the tests, giving them 100%. Congratulations Year 6!

The children across the school have joined together to take part in actively learning about how we can look after our environment and writing pledges on how they can do this during our Eco Day. Children have been learning about the 3 R's, reduce, reuse and recycle. This theme was even used within the Coronation activities that we did on the same day, as the new King is very much into looking after our environment. The children thoroughly enjoyed these special events, and it was lovely to see them taking part in their learning.



Mrs Nicola Sheeran-Ball.

ATTENDANCE

Current School Attendance: 91.25%

Year Group	Attendance
Reception	90.16%
Year 1	90.03%
Year 2	90.71%
Year 3	93.41%
Year 4	93.50%
Year 5	89.14%
Year 6	92.80%

Remember...

Please remember that if your child(ren) are unwell and will not be attending school, please make sure you contact the school to inform them **each** day they are absent.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS
every student, every day



MAY 2023

Tuesday May 23rd: Year 1 and Reading Ambassadors Trip to The Hive

Wednesday May 24th: Year 5 Swimming

Thursday May 25th: Whole School Parent DEAR Time: 2.30pm

Friday May 26th: **This is not a TED Day as shown in the children's Home-School Diary**

JUNE 2023



Wednesday June 7th: Year 6F Swimming

Friday June 9th: NSPCC Childhood Day

Wednesday June 14th: Year 6F Swimming

Tuesday June 20th: Reception Trip to Weston Super Mare

Wednesday June 21st: Year 6F Swimming

Thursday June 22nd: New Reception intake Parents Meeting : 5.00pm

Friday June 23rd: School Fete

Monday June 26th: Year 5 Taster Day at Bishop Perowne

Monday June 26th: New Reception Stay and Play: 1.30pm

Wednesday June 28th: Year 6F Swimming



JULY 2023

Monday July 3rd to Wednesday July 5th: TGAW Transition Days

Wednesday July 5th: Year 6F Swimming

Thursday July 6th to Friday July 7th: Bishop Perowne Transition Days

Wednesday July 12th: Year 6F Swimming

Friday July 14th: Year 6F Trip to RAF Fairford Airshow

Monday July 17th: Sports Day

Tuesday July 18th: Whole School Transition morning

Wednesday July 19th: Year 6 Prom

Friday July 21st: Year 6 Leavers Assembly and

School closes for the Summer

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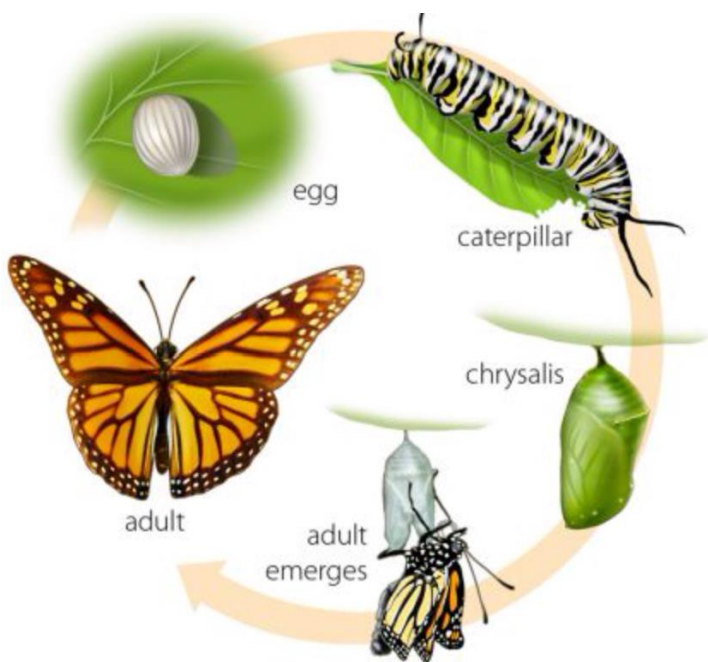
Nursery have shown a huge interest in the Mud Kitchen. They enjoy cooking meals for each other and finding all sorts of ingredients from around the garden. We have been invited to many tea parties this week... delicious!



RECEPTION



Reception have had something exciting come into their classroom. They have really enjoyed watching the caterpillars grow and change and begin to form their chrysalis. They have loved observing the changes over time and we are really excited to see them hatch and become butterflies. We have our predictions on what colours they may be.



YEAR 1



Year 1 really enjoyed our King Charles III learning week! We found out all about his life and his achievements. We also learnt about the Royal Family and discovered that Prince George will be the next in line to the Throne! We then made our own flower crowns in honour of King Charles being known as 'The Green King' and his love of the environment.



We have also been loving our Talk for Writing story: Whatever Next! Who knew you could make such fantastic rockets with cardboard boxes? The children had so much fun making their own rockets and acting out the story.



YEAR 2

This week Year 2 have been very busy in our outdoor area. Our tulips bloomed into beautiful flowers and when we measured them, we identified the tallest tulip to be 35cm tall. We were so proud of the quality of our tulips that we decided to plant some individual pots with special seeds. We are hoping that they will bloom before the summer holidays.

For Cool Earth Day, we developed our knowledge about recycling as we were inspired by King Charles III's passion for looking after the environment. We used recycling brought in by children across the school to create a throne to commemorate the kings' coronation. We discussed the process of recycling and which materials can be recycled. After some reflection we decided on our own eco promises. Here are some brilliant examples of eco promises that Year 2 children came up with:

"I promise to recycle at home and in school."

"I will help the environment by picking up rubbish and putting it in the right bins."



YEAR 3

Year 3 have enjoyed continuing their topic of the Ancient Egyptians. We had a go at mummifying oranges by cutting them open, scooping out the insides, filling it with salt and wrapping them in bandages. We also became immersed in our story where we became the scribe who helped lead the pharaoh into the afterlife using 'now press play'.



For our 'cool earth and coronation day' we learnt about King Charles III and his interest in growing food and eating organic food. We learnt all about what the word organic means and we tried a variety of organic and non – organic foods to see if we could taste a difference.

In maths we have been deepening our understanding of 'time'. We have been learning how to tell the time to the nearest minute on analogue and digital clock, as well as calculating durations and exploring the months in a year.



In writing, we are creating persuasive texts to sell a gadget. We have enjoyed story mapping and learning our key text 'The Multi-function Mobile Phone' which is essential for spies! We have practiced using a range of persuasive features such as rhetorical questions, boastful language, and imperative verbs.

YEAR 4

The children have embraced the additional times-table practice and for many the time and effort is paying off with consistent results in Purple Math and Rockstar maths.

We continue to use our morning sessions to focus on our writing, reading and core maths. We have been writing our own portal stories and have written some fantastic stories of characters travelling to Ancient Maya through a variety of interesting portals. We will undertake the role of travel consultants to write a persuasive leaflet encouraging tourism to Ancient Maya – we already have a portal that will take us back in time.

In our reading lessons, we are reading myths and stories related to the Mayan civilisation. We have been justifying our personal viewpoint referring to the text to support our argument.

We will continue to use our afternoons to look at times-tables in a more light-hearted way until the statutory assessment in June. We are working in small groups so that children can build their recall of facts or deepen their understanding by applying known facts to reasoning and problem-solving challenges.

The Coronation and Cool Earth Day was enjoyed by the children.



We found out more about the ceremonial crown jewels and the Prince's Trust; some children shared their research in assembly. The children designed a flower themed throne.



We made seed paper that will biodegrade in a flower bed or grassed area.

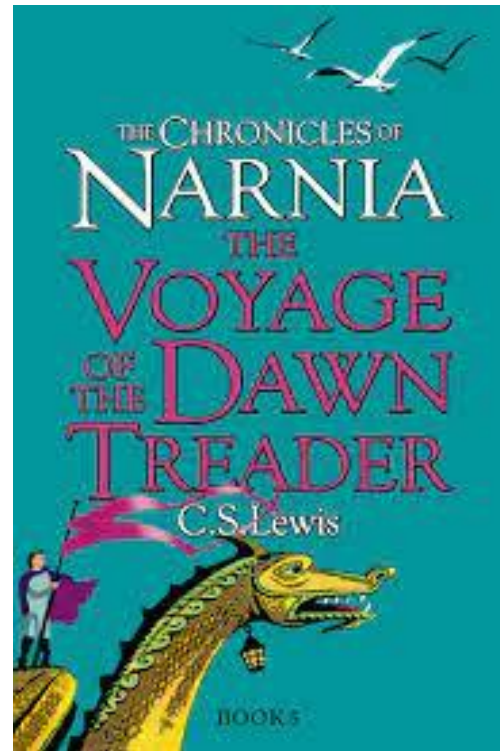
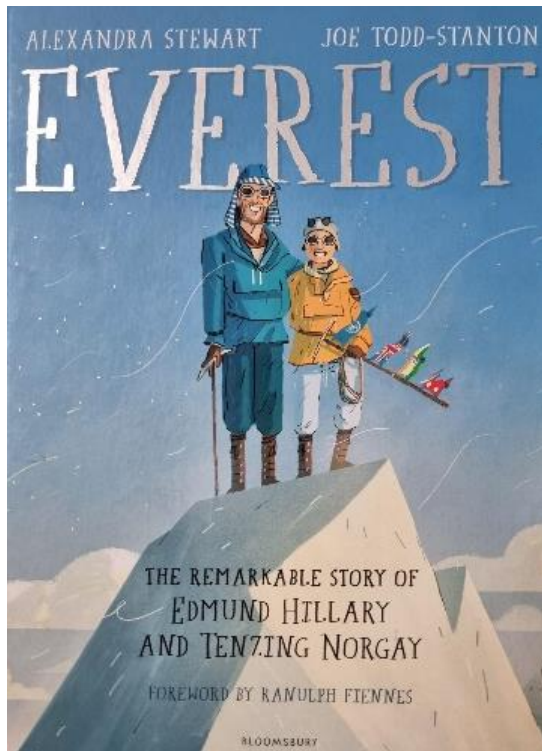


YEAR 5

Year 5 have worked hard on Area and Perimeter in maths, demonstrating good use of strategies and showing their workings. We have even completed some challenging problems linked to real life!

We have written and edited some superb stories linked to Anglo-Saxon boy and linked in our learning about The Dawn Treader in reading.

We're looking forward to moving on to our short unit on persuasion and we are loving getting stuck into our reading text Everest. We have only just started but we're hooked already!



We have been impressing Mr. Harrold with our swimming on a Wednesday afternoon (we can't believe it's our last session next week!) and wowed Mr. Prigg with our science skills!



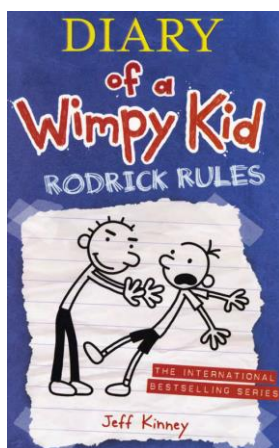
We are looking forward to using Modroc in art and getting messy and completing our science unit on forces, before moving onto properties and changes of materials!

YEAR 6C

Mr Cox would firstly like to start by saying a MASSIVE well done to all of Year 6!

Their learning attitude and resilience over the past few weeks have been amazing! He is especially proud of the journey 6C have had, showing what amazing young adults they really are, and thanks them for making it all that little bit easier throughout a tricky time.

Post SATs, as Readers, we have practised democracy which is one of the British Values and have chosen to read a text for pleasure. As a class we have chosen 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules'. We have engaged with a range of different reading activities to support our pleasure of reading.



As Writers, we have identified a significant person of interest and have researched their lives, achievements and careers. This will enable us to create our own biography of the person whilst showcasing the KS2 disciplinary knowledge.

Wednesday 17th May 2023

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Biography research

Ryan Reynolds

I have chosen Ryan Reynolds because of all of the roles that he has acted in and he is a comedian.

Facts:

- He has acted in The Adversary Project.
- He has just become manager of Everton FC.
- He is a comedian.

Date and place of birth

October 23, 1976 in Vancouver (Canada)

Early childhood/education

He went to Kitchener secondary school.
 He went to Keweenaw College.
 He has an Irish ancestry and has been named a Roman Catholic.
 He is the youngest of four siblings.
 His father, James Chester was a musician, while his mother was retail saleswoman.

Wednesday 17th May 2023

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Biography research

Greta Thunberg

I have chosen Greta Thunberg because she has helped with climate change and is passionate about helping the planet.

Facts:

- She is passionate about helping the planet and help with climate change.
- Greta Thunberg refuses to fly planes.
- She's trying to tell people to drive electric cars!

Date and place of birth

3 January 2003 - Stockholm (Sweden)

Early childhood/education

She was inspired to hold school strike

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Biography research

Dwayne Johnson - The Rock

I have chosen Dwayne Johnson because he has done some great roles. I like his wrestling career and I like wrestling myself and some of his best films are 'Spyglass', 'Red Notice', 'Jungle Cruise' and 'Black Adam'.

Facts

Dwayne Johnson - The Rock was his stage name for wrestling. Dwayne Johnson has been in loads of action and adventure movies. Dwayne Johnson has been a actor for a long time and he is a millionaire.

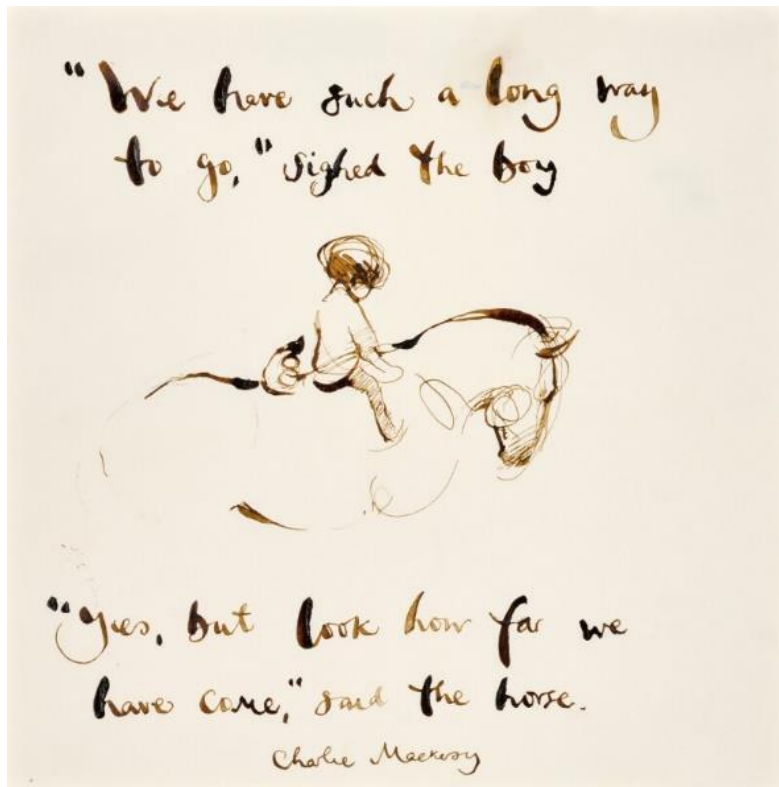
Date and place of birth

Dwayne Johnson was born on May 2, 1972 in Hayward (California) to a wrestling family.

We are looking forward to taking our learning outdoors and enriching our learning through experiences. We are excited to start preparing for the end of term by completing a range of different projects.

YEAR 6F

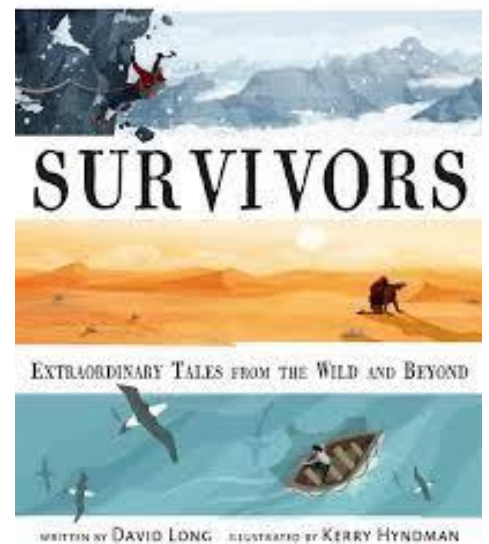
Year Six have made us immensely proud with their positive learning attitudes to their work and their SAT's last week. Their resilience and determination to succeed didn't go unnoticed and we are so proud of them! Well done Year Six!



This week has been a bit different to last!

We voted on which reading text to do and decided on a story from a favourite book of ours: **Survivors**.

We have been amazed at how the human body can survive in the harshest conditions.



As writers, we have been researching a significant individual who we look up to in order to write a biography about their lives.

We have found out amazing facts and are going to use them as well as our SPAG skills to create informative biographies.

What's on in May Half Term?

Family Activities – Animal Antics!



May half-term holiday – Silly Sheep: activity bag
Saturday 27 May to Saturday 3 June (closed Sunday)
10:30 to 16:30

Worcester City Art Gallery and Museum - Free entry

Welcome To The Cob House Countryside Park

With free entry, delicious homestyle cooked food from The Mayfly and an outdoor play area and don't forget to say hello to our resident animals, reindeer, alpacas, goats, pigs and chickens. The park is a day out for all the family to enjoy. Enjoy fishing in one of our well stocked coarse fishing lakes 7 days a week.



May 29, 2023	Monday
10:00am	● Kids Car Boot
May 30, 2023	Tuesday
10:00am	● Bouncy Castle Fun!
May 31, 2023	Wednesday
10:00am	● Morning group - Young Angling Lessons with Get hooked on fishing: 1 HOUR
11:00am	● Morning group - Young Angling Lessons with Get hooked on fishing: 1 HOUR
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June 1, 2023	Thursday
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Entry to the park grounds is free!

So why not pop and see us for a fun-packed visit, and take advantage of our popular breakfast menu, lunch or a slice of homemade cake all available to eat inside or outside and enjoy in the stunning views!





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Aged 3 - 16 years

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2 adults with 2 children aged 3 -16



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- Keep a keen eye out on the tour for all the animals we have on-site as we make our way around the farm.

