



Newsletter

As you are well aware, Year Six pupils will take their SATs next week. To help your child achieve their best during this week, children should be encouraged to go to bed early every day, drink plenty of water and have a good breakfast each morning. **Please make sure all year 6 children are in school by 8.30am.**

The school runs a breakfast club between 8.00am and 8.20am and all children are welcome to take advantage of this. We would encourage all children to come to breakfast especially during SATs week.

The timetable for SATs week is:

Mon 9th	Paper 1 Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar	Paper 2 Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
Tues 10th	English Reading	
Wed 11th	Maths paper 1 Arithmetic	Maths paper 2 Reasoning
Thurs 12th	Maths paper 3 Reasoning	

We have been informed by the Local Authority, Tuesday 3 May would not be considered a day of religious observance for pupils as Eid Al-Fitr was on Monday 2 May for all Muslims, All pupils that were absent on Tuesday to celebrate Eid-Al-Fitr will have an unauthorised absence.

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Diary Dates

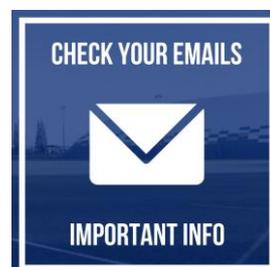
9th – 12th May	SATs Week
18th May	Book Fair
24th & 26th May	Y6 Conkers Visit
25th May	Summer Fair 2.30 - 4.30pm Parents invited.
27th May	School Jubilee Picnic
9th -11th June	Year 6 Residential to Crowden Education Centre in the Peak District.
7th July	Last day of summer term is Thursday – no school on Friday 8th July.

Walking Sports Festival

As part of the Walk Leicester Festival, United Leicester have bought together all of the Leicester Sports clubs, to create a Walking Sports bonanza for parents/carers on Victoria park throughout the month of May! Please see flyer for further details.

Safeguarding

The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Gatherum, Miss Southwell is the Deputy Safeguarding Lead and SENCO, Mrs Raybould is a Deputy Safeguarding Lead.



It is important to check your email/app daily to keep up to date with the latest news, trips and changes to clubs.

Eco School and Warriors

Environmental- Friendly Plant Pots

The Eco Warriors have been busy bodies this term and have taken a great planting project on! As mentioned in the last Eco Newsletter, the Eco team have been making biodegradable pots using newspaper and planting a variety of different vegetables such as sugar snap peas, French beans, cherry tomatoes and lettuce!

Starting off, was a little struggle, trying achieve the correct structure of the 'pots' by using cups, beakers and jars. However, with some perseverance, the Warriors succeeded! They folded newspaper and wrapped it around the jars/pots and finished off by folding the bits of paper at the bottom so that it made a base.

If you fancy having a go at making these at home follow the link below for short and simple tutorial.

[How to make Newspaper Plant Pots - Easy Paper Seedling Pots in Minutes - only 2 minutes! - YouTube](#)

The Eco Warriors are excited to share their wonderful Eco pots at the upcoming school fair on 25th May 2022. They are completely sustainable! So keep an eye out at the fair and try to get your hands these pretty pots



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Great Big School Clean Competition winner!

We are pleased to announce the winner for the 'Big Bag Challenge'...#drumroll# **SARAH ADEN in 3MM!**

As part of the Great Big School Clean (Keep Britain Tidy) Sarah collected litter from her local area and even got her family involved! A great effort and commitment-well done Sarah and family. Keep up the good work and spread the 'litter-locking'.



The Eco-Police will be doing their daily rounds to monitor energy use in your classroom so remember to switch off any energy that is not being used during the day.

Remember, there will be the lunchtime litter monitors-Litter Lockers who we can all support by locking up any litters we see on the playground and around the school straight into the bins!

Book Review: Libby and the Parisian Puzzle by Jo Clarke

Libby is sent by her mother to stay with her aunt in Paris. Her aunt runs a travelling school whereby the children move countries each term. Libby loves a mystery and reading detective novels and finds herself (together with her new best friend Connie) involved in solving a mystery when her aunt is wrongly accused of a jewel robbery.

This is a very entertaining book with many references to the landmarks and culture of Paris. A fast paced mystery suitable for all KS2 children.

Book review by Mrs Carlisle

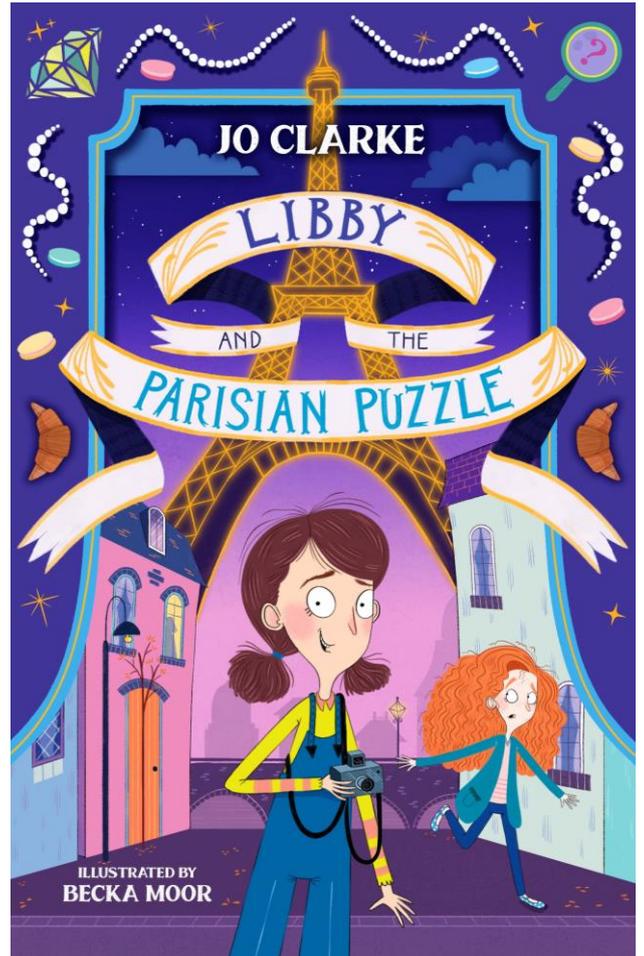


Cooking Club

Cooking Club have been busy this term: so far they have baked bread rolls, learning about the effects that yeast has in a mixture.

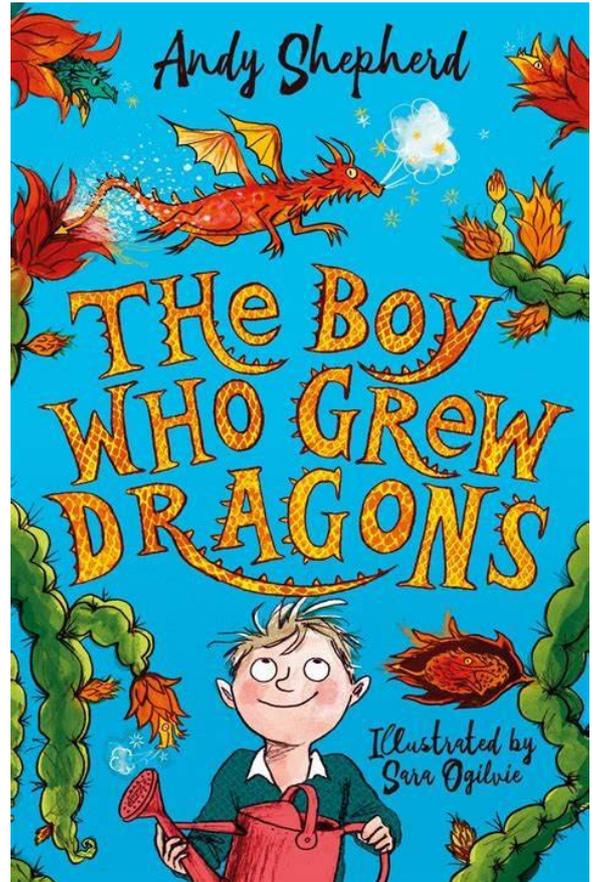
This week they used the same mixture to create pizza dough which they then covered with their favourite toppings – they smelt delicious and tasted amazing! The next group of children will start cooking club after half term – there are limited places so if you'd like to attend then you need to sign up quickly, for a chance to get in.

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Year 3 Summer Term Theme: Plants

This term, Year 3 will be basing their English all around the amazing book by Andy Shephard: *The Boy Who Grew Dragons*. In this book, the main character finds a Dragon Fruit plant and a dragon hatches from one of the fruit pods. During writing lessons, the children will write a range of texts such as fact files about dragons, explanation texts and descriptive writing. This will link to Science, where the children will look at the different parts and functions of plants, conduct seed germination investigations, and investigate which plants attract the most insects. In Art they will study the sculptor Alberto Giacometti, then design and create their own sculpture from clay. They will then reproduce it in DT using a range of card and paper, focusing on strength and structure. Geography this term will focus on fieldwork skills. Year 3 will draw maps of the school, use compasses, and gather and analyse data about the local area. Computing looks at animation so the children can bring their own plants/dragon to life.

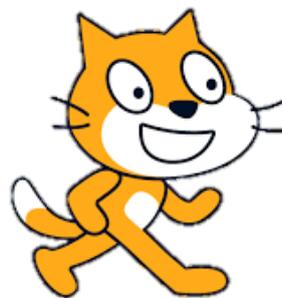
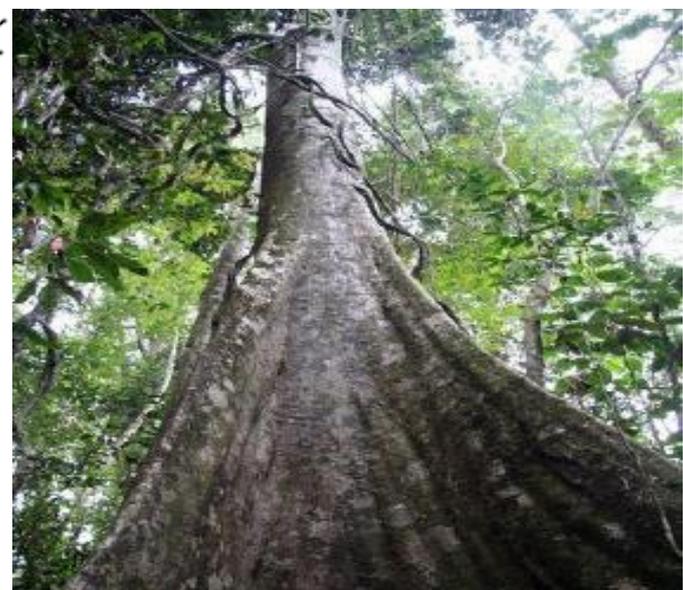
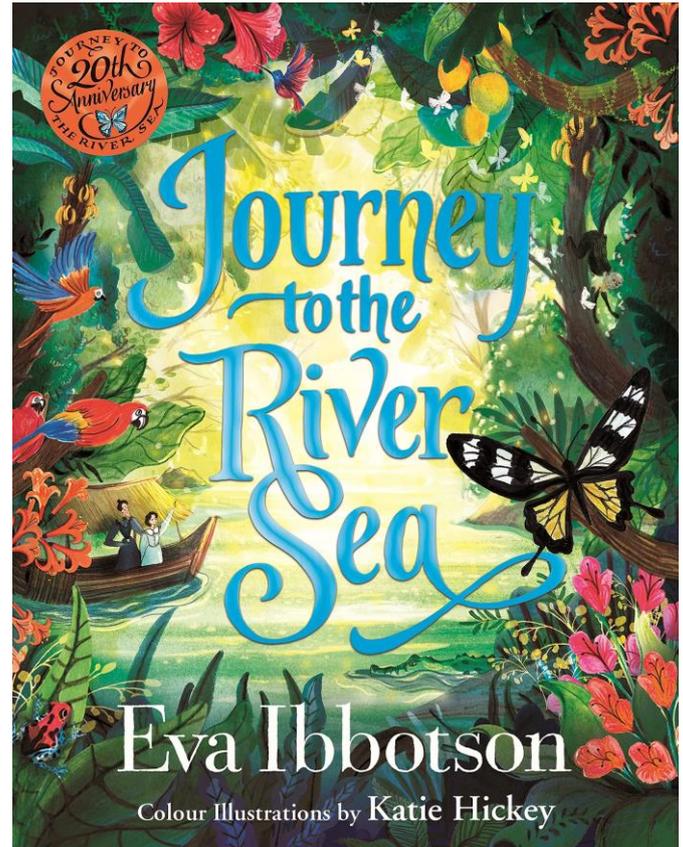


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Year 4 Summer Term Theme: How do our lives impact on the survival of the rainforest?

This term, we will be basing our studies all around the Tropical Rainforests of the world, with a particular focus on the Amazon. As part of this, Year 4 will be understanding the layers of the rainforest, the animals that live there and much more. Children will write reports about the animals and plants at the end of the topic and plot the different rainforests of the world. They will also create a range of art in the style of Henri Rousseau and design and make an afternoon tea in Design Technology. In English, we will be studying the book 'The Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson. During the English lessons, we will write a letter, an eyewitness account and a narrative. Within Computing, the children are working with the app Scratch to create games using coding. We will finish the term with a visit to Botanical Gardens where the children will be able to explore a range of plants and animals that they may find in the rainforest.



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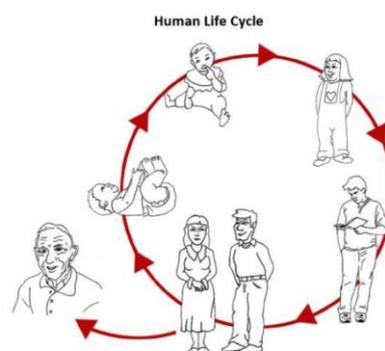
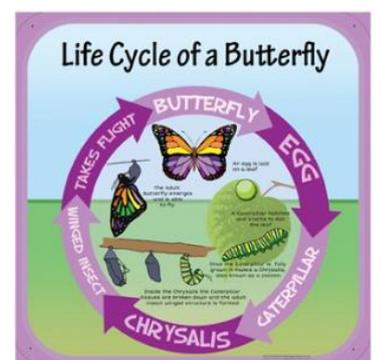
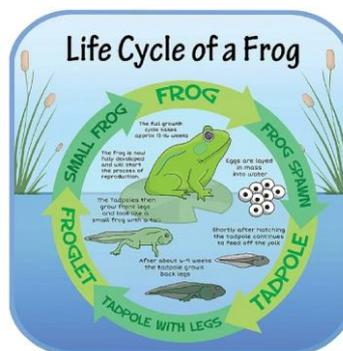
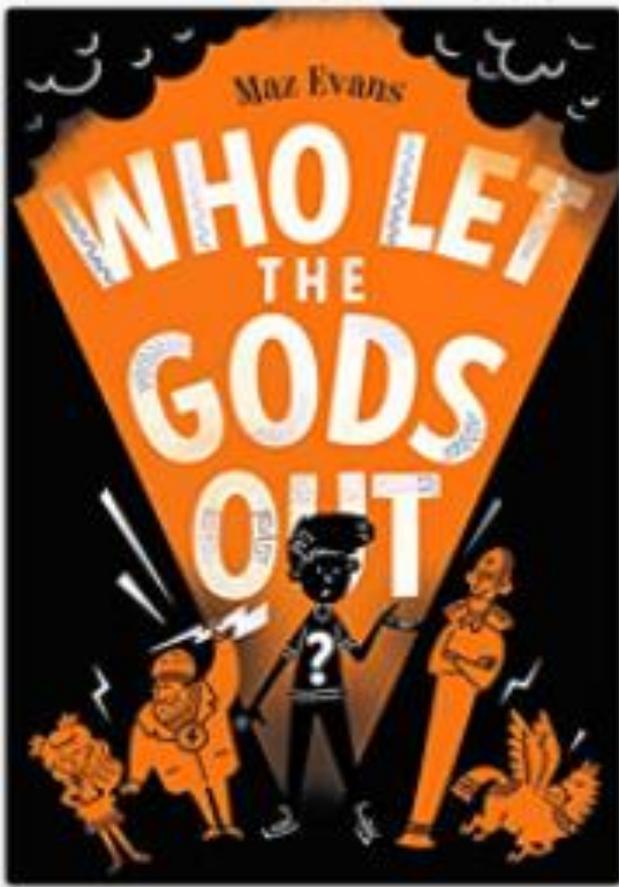
Year 5 summer term theme: What did the Ancient Greeks leave behind as a legacy?

In Year 5 this term, we will be basing our topic work around the Ancient Greeks and exploring their culture and traditions. Alongside this, we will explore myths and legends that originated from the Greek Gods.

This Topic is also linked to our chosen book – Who Let the God's Out? Written by Maz Evans, this is a story that follows young Elliot's adventures when he wished upon a star. He never imagined that he would end up meeting a constellation that had crashed into his cow shed! The visitor, Virgo, thinks that

she is perfect and can help Elliot. Together they release Thanatos (evil Daemon of Death) which proves to be problematic...will they be able to save Elliot's farm?

In Power Maths the topics will be decimals and shape. We will be learning about different Life cycles in Science. Use TTRS to help practise your rapid recall of your times tables and division knowledge. We are excited for the school fair and in DT we are going to be designing and creating goods to sell.



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Year 6 Summer Term Theme: Conflict and Resolution

This term, in Year 6, we will be basing our studies around conflict and resolution. To understand that conflict is when people have a serious disagreement, that can sometimes involve violence and quite often lasts a long time.

- How conflict can be caused by lots of different things including religion, stubbornness and previous arguments.
- How resolving conflict can be complicated and people may need to work on their anger, use appropriate words to explain how they feel, and make sure they are listening to everyone's opinion before it can be resolved.

Our pupils will learn that there are lots of different ways to resolve conflict that include;

- **Compromise:** Giving up what you want in order to come to a fair solution to a problem.

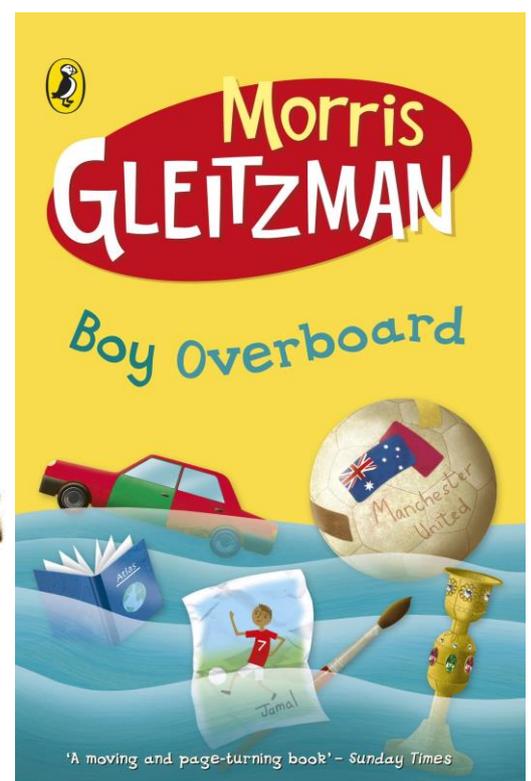
- **Empathy:** Understanding how the other person is feeling by putting yourself in their shoes.

- **Apologies:** The word 'sorry' can be all that is needed to end conflict but adding more information like 'I'm sorry I hurt you' implies you take ownership for making someone feel that way.

Around this theme we will also be reading "Boy Overboard" by Morris Gleitzman. In English will do a range of writing including diaries, letters and reports. Computing will be focussed on 3D modelling and web page creation. Christopher Richard Wynne Nevison is the artist that we will research and use his work to influence the style of our creations this term. During the term we will also be visiting Conkers where we will take part in Ranger led activities outdoors- involving orienteering, exploring a Labyrinth and be treated to a 4D cinema experience about insects.



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Class Attendance Winners

School attendance for this week was **84.5%**

Upper school winner is class **5SR**

Lower school winner is class **4JD**



Message from Mr Cronin

Please bring any unwanted soft toys to school for 6MC's raffle at the school fair. Your old toy could be loved by someone new soon!



Year 6 Swimming

If your child has been selected for extra swimming lessons, please pay £14 via the School Gateway app by 12th May 2022.



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WALKING SPORTS FESTIVAL

- WALKING FOOTBALL •
- WALKING CRICKET •
- WALKING RUGBY •
- WALKING BASKETBALL •
- WALKING TENNIS •

10am – 3pm

Tuesday – Thursday

3 – 26 May

Victoria Park, Leicester

ALL SESSIONS FREE



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Foundation

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WALKING SPORTS FESTIVAL

4 WEEKS AT VICTORIA PARK, LEICESTER

TUESDAY 3 MAY LAUNCH EVENT • ALL SPORTS

WEDNESDAY 4 MAY

10AM – 12PM • TENNIS
10AM – 1PM • BASKETBALL
1PM – 3PM • RUGBY & FOOTBALL

THURSDAY 5 MAY

10AM – 12PM • FOOTBALL & TENNIS
1PM – 3PM • RUGBY & CRICKET

TUESDAY 10 MAY

10AM – 12PM • CRICKET & FOOTBALL
1PM – 3PM • RUGBY & TENNIS

WEDNESDAY 11 MAY

10AM – 12PM • TENNIS & RUGBY
10AM – 1PM • BASKETBALL
1PM – 3PM • CRICKET

THURSDAY 12 MAY

10AM – 12PM • FOOTBALL
1PM – 3PM • TENNIS & RUGBY

TUESDAY 17 MAY

10AM – 12PM • FOOTBALL & RUGBY
1PM – 3PM • CRICKET & TENNIS

WEDNESDAY 18 MAY

10AM – 12PM • RUGBY & TENNIS
10AM – 1PM • BASKETBALL
1PM – 3PM • FOOTBALL

THURSDAY 19 MAY

10AM – 12PM • FOOTBALL
1PM – 3PM • CRICKET & RUGBY

TUESDAY 24 MAY

10AM – 12PM • CRICKET & FOOTBALL
1PM – 3PM • RUGBY & TENNIS

WEDNESDAY 25 MAY

10AM – 12PM • RUGBY & TENNIS
10AM – 1PM • BASKETBALL
1PM – 3PM • CRICKET & FOOTBALL

THURSDAY 26 MAY

10AM – 12PM • CRICKET & FOOTBALL
1PM – 3PM • RUGBY & TENNIS



Let us know if
you don't want
your photo taken



Wear weather
suitable clothing



...and bring
plenty to drink!