

He's Behind You!



Read a review by two of our Arts Ambassadors
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Y2 & 3 have been to the panto!



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child
Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture



"Beauty and the Beast"



On Thursday, Years Two and Three watched "Beauty and the Beast" at The Belgrade Theatre. It was different to the cartoon and you could shout out and join in with the action. The scenery was sparkly and the costumes were really funny. Dame Dolly Mixture was dressed in clothes that looked like sweets because she ran the sweet shop! Our favourite characters were the Beast because he got rid of the baddie and Beauty because of her beautiful dress. Our favourite moment was when the spell lifted from the Beast and he changed back into a handsome prince—it looked so real! We also liked the dancing skeletons and the part where Maurice (the baddie) fell over on the slippery soap. This show is so amazing we give it 20 marks out of ten and recommend it to you all.



Reviewed by Kayla and Mollie (Arts Ambassadors)

Y4 Cello Lessons



Year Four have been making amazing progress in their cello lessons. They know the different parts of the cello and can play pizzicato (plucked) tunes using the four strings. Now, they are starting to use bows! They have learned how to hold them correctly and have experimented with different bowing strengths and speeds. We are all very impressed.

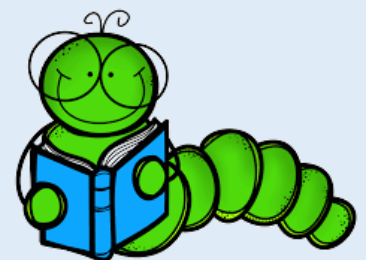
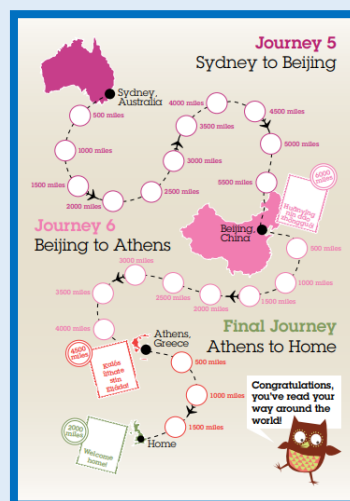
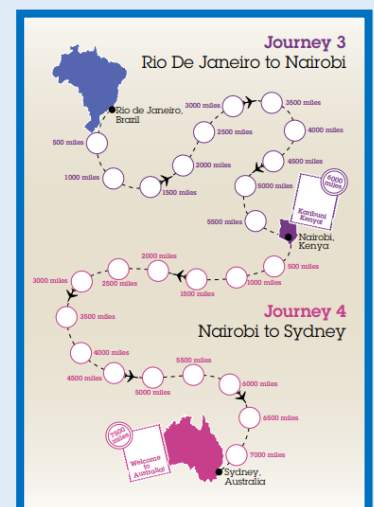
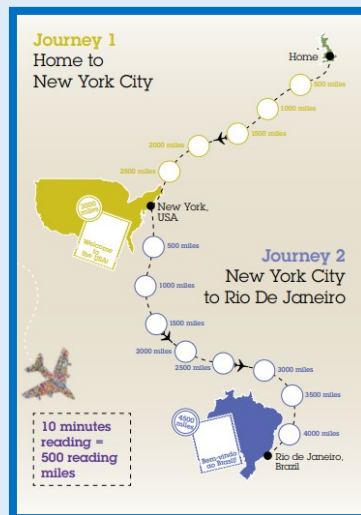
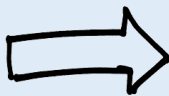


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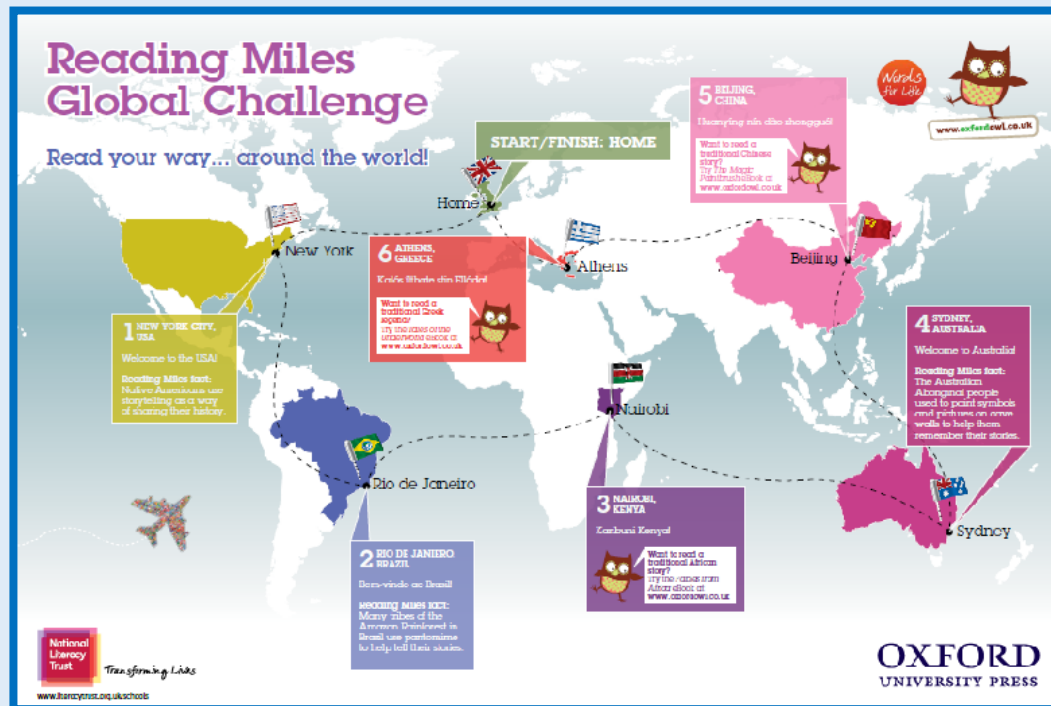
A reminder of our KS2 home reading incentive

Children from Year Three to Year Six have been given a reading 'passport' to help to encourage them to read at home. **Every day they read at home, they will be able to tick off 500 miles in their passport, taking them along a pathway to six different countries around the world before they 'return' to the UK.** There will be incentives along the way, traditional stories to read based on the countries they visit and a certificate and treat at the end to celebrate them completing the challenge!

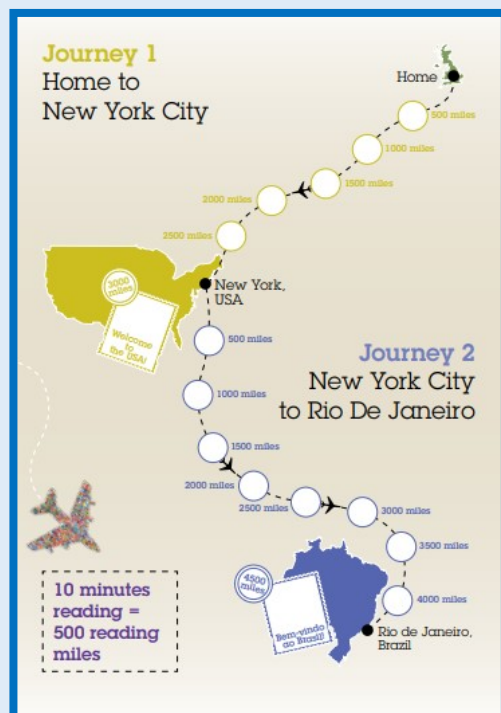


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The challenge began on Monday, but it is not too late for your child to get started!



Miss Challand's journey so far...

If parents/carers would like to join in at home, please pop into the office and we will give you a passport to start filling in too!

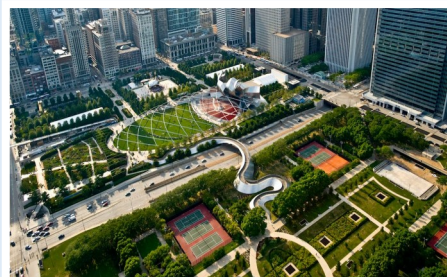
Happy reading, everyone! Miss Challand

Caring for our planet



This week, the theme for our assemblies was 'Caring for Our Planet'. This theme supports our teaching of the Unicef Rights of the Child, namely [Article 29: Education should include the development of respect for the natural environment.](#)

During the Infants assembly, children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 talked about what they could see in these photos; what made these places special; and how they would feel if they were there.



The children immediately noticed how green everything was, and enjoyed looking carefully at how these spaces could be used.

We then thought about what our planet would look like if we are not so careful, and read '*Greta and The Giants*' by Zoe Tucker. It is a brilliant book which tells the story of a little girl called Greta (based on Greta Thunberg, the environmental activist) who persuades the giants to stop destroying the forest so that it can be a home for all of the creatures.



It was lovely to hear the children's ideas during and after the assembly:

This is why we have Eco reps!

I always turn the taps off if someone has left them on.

We need to keep our planet clean.

We need to put our rubbish in the bin, otherwise it can harm the animals

We can walk to school instead of drive.

We can grow flowers in our gardens for the bees and butterflies.



"This is our moment. We cannot turn back time. But we can grow trees, green our cities, re-wild our gardens, change our diets and clean up rivers and coasts. We are the generation that can make peace with nature. Let's get active, not anxious. Let's be bold, not timid." #WorldEnvironmentDay

• Winter Hoops



Every child in school has made a Christmas decoration to take home. You will see our beautiful Winter Hoops hanging in the main school hall when you come to watch your child perform.

Oddsocks Day

**ANTI-BULLYING
WEEK 2021**



Thank you to everyone who came to school wearing odd socks in support of Anti-Bullying Week. We are currently counting all your kind donations before sending them off to The Anti-Bullying Alliance. Well done children for remembering that kind words brighten our days!

**ONE
KIND
WORD**

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

In support of The Anti Bullying Alliance

Story Advent Calendar



Here at school, there is definitely a feeling of excitement as we approach the holidays!

To continue to develop our **love of reading** right up until Christmas Day, every day from December 1st to December 24th, we will be uploading a festive story or poem read by one of our lovely members of staff onto You Tube to help your child count down the days and enjoy hearing some new and familiar tales.

Miss Challand will send out more details via email and text message on Tuesday!



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Reception Rehearsals

Reception are preparing to take to the stage in their Nativity next week. They have been practising really hard so that they're ready for the big day.



Christmas Shows

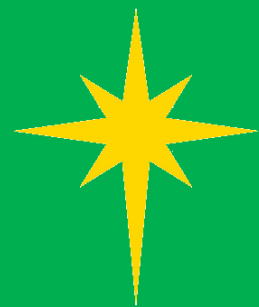
Health and Safety

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you into school to watch your child's Christmas show. Pupils are very excited to be performing for you!

Please note that these events will be very popular with parents/carers and we cannot guarantee social distancing. To help minimise the risk of transmitting Coronavirus please adhere to the following guidance which comes from Warwickshire Local Authority:

- If you feel unwell (not just with Covid 19 symptoms) please do not attend.
- Wear a face covering unless medically exempt.
- We will make sure the hall is as well ventilated as possible. Please don't close any windows.
- Consider taking an LFT before attending.
- We will be offering free refreshments. Please bring hand sanitiser and use before you enjoy a drink, biscuit or mince pie.

Many thanks in anticipation of your cooperation.



Sydenham Primary School

Friday 10th December



On Friday 10th December the WHOLE school will be raising money for Myton Hospice by running around the school field. Younger children will run 2km and older children 3-5km.

Bring your PE kit, Santa hat and 50p!

Raising money for Myton Hospice

Selection Box Raffle

Win a scrumptious chocolate selection box by joining in our raffle.

Log on to ParentPay and pay your 50p.

Winners will be drawn on Monday 13th
December.

Good luck!

Tickets only
50p!



Flu Immunisation

A message from Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership
NHS Trust

Re: Flu vaccination programme for school aged children

Due to unfortunate last-minute changes to staffing capacity, we have been unable to deliver a number of vaccinations at your school.

We would like to apologise for the inconvenience this causes. Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust are working together with our NHS and local authority partners to deliver the Flu vaccinations.

Due to the high demand we are pleased to inform you that we are now going to be running further clinics.

An **appointment for flu immunisations can be booked at the clinic in Warwick via our swiftqueue service online:**

The screenshot shows the Swiftqueue website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for HOME, SERVICES, ABOUT, BLOG, and CONTACT. There are also buttons for 'Login/Create Account' and 'Book an Appointment'. The main heading is 'Find a GP/Clinic and Book an Appointment' with the subtext 'Simple Instant Healthcare Bookings'. Below this, there are two search fields: 'GP/Hospital Name or Location' and 'Speciality'. The 'GP/Hospital Name or Location' field has 'Warwick' entered, and a dropdown menu shows three suggestions: 'Warwick, Warwickshire, England, United Kingdom', 'Warwickshire, England, United Kingdom', and 'Warwick Castle, Castle Hill, Warwick, England CV34 4BB, United Kingdom'. The 'Speciality' field has 'Immunisations' selected. A 'Search' button is to the right. Below the search fields, there are two columns of text. The left column says 'Choose a Date and Time' and 'Appointment that suits you and see real time availability.' The right column says '3. Easy Instant Booking' and 'Your appointment is instantly confirmed. Quickly reschedule or cancel if something changes.'



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Article 24: Health and health services

Diary Dates

Monday 29th November	Y2 trip to Kenilworth Castle.
Monday 29th November	Arts Ambassadors visit Leamington Art Gallery.
Wednesday 1st/2nd December	Y5 and Y6 silent disco—more information coming soon!
Thursday 2nd December	Y4 theatre trip—"Magician's Elephant," Royal Shakespeare Theatre.
Wednesday 1st December	Reception Nativity, 9.30—10.00am (YR AH parents/carers in the audience) Reception Nativity 10.30—11.00am (YR LS parents/carers in the audience)
Wednesday 8th December	Y1/2 carol concert, 9.30—10.00am (Y1 parents/carers in the audience) Y1/2 carol concert, 10.30—11.00am (Y2 parents/carers in the audience)
Friday 10th December	Whole school Santa Dash to raise money for Myton Hospice. Bring your Santa hat and a 50p donation.
Wednesday 17th November	Y4 trip to The Think Tank.
Tuesday 14th December	Y5/6 theatre trip—"The Magician's Elephant", Royal Shakespeare Theatre.
Thursday 9th December	Y3/4 carol concert, 9.30—10.00am. (Y3 parents/carers in the audience.) Y3/4 carol concert, 10.30—11.00am (Y4 parents/carers in the audience.)
Friday 10th December	Y5/6 carol concert, 9.30—10.00am (Y5 parents/carers in the audience.) Y5/6 carol concert, 10.30—11.00am, (Y6 parents/carers in the audience.)
Monday 13th December	Christmas dinner.
Tuesday 14th/Wednesday 15th December	PTA Secret Present Wrap Room
Thursday 16th December	YR/Y1 theatre trip—"The Very Hungry Caterpillar", Warwick Arts' Centre.
Friday 17th December	MUFTI Day—bring 50p to wear a festive outfit.

Monday 20th December—Friday 31st December School Closed for Christmas holiday

Monday 3rd January 2022 school closed for bank holiday

Tuesday 4th January 2022 school closed for in-service (teacher) training.

School re-opens on Wednesday 5th January 2022



Sydenham Superstars



Reception, Y1 and Y2



Years Three & Four



Years Five & Six

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes from Miss Glenny (Associate Headteacher)