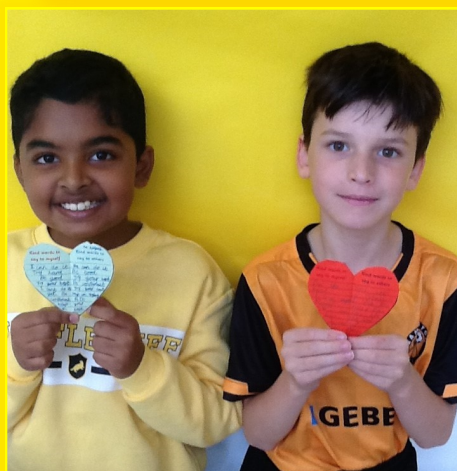


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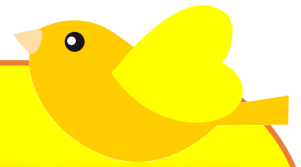


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Article 24: Health



Hello Yellow



A great big THANK YOU to everybody who joined in with our celebrations for World Mental Health Day.

The school was awash with yellow today in support of the charity "Young Minds" whose work helps to improve the well being of children and adolescents in the UK. Your generous financial donations are very much appreciated.



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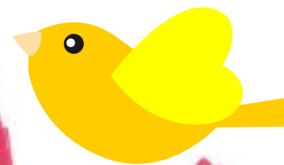
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RELAX



● Breathe



● Play with friends



● Read a book



● Talk to someone on your network band



● Distract yourself



● Go to a safe place



Wellbeing Tips from Mahad

Hello Yellow

Mental Health Awareness Rap

Mental health, we need to get that behind us.

There's one thing we need to focus on:

Breathe in, breathe out,

Breathe in, breathe out.

Think before you do something,

Within your heart and inner soul,

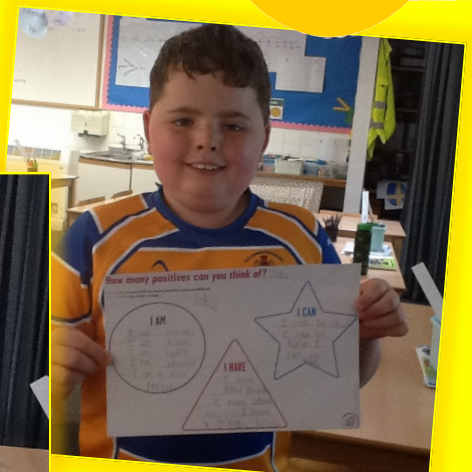
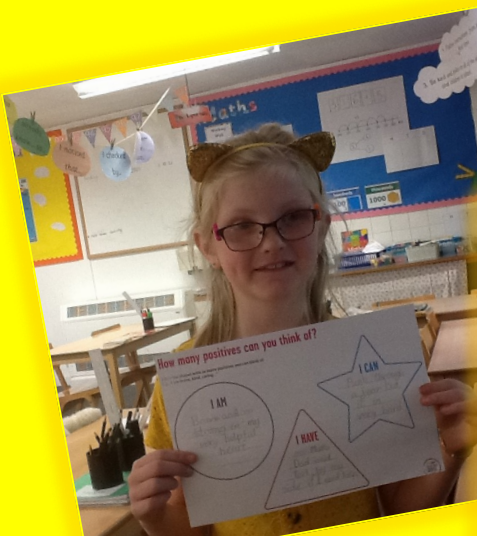
Think positive thoughts and positive words,

Get the positive vibe feeling in your mind.

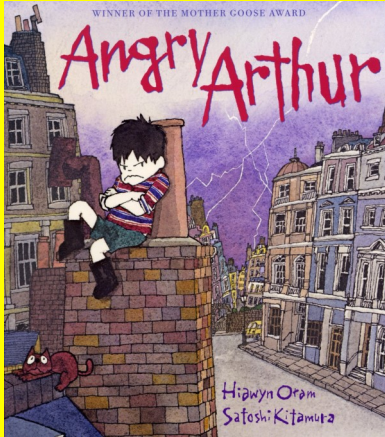
So get the anger out and wipe your tears away

Because positive things are on their way.

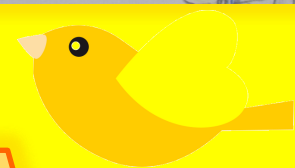
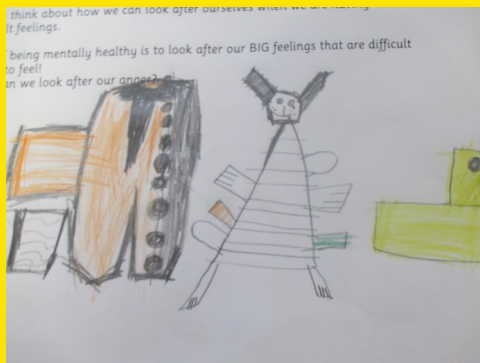
By Tayyaba (Y4)



Hello Yellow



Year Two read the story of “Angry Arthur” and then thought about positive ways to handle the difficult feeling of anger. You can see some of their ideas below:



Y2 Manging Anger

Hello Yellow



kind

Y1 sat in a circle and reflected on some of their strengths and qualities. They used a dice to roll around the circle and shared their positive thoughts

caring

funny

good friend



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helpful

thoughtful



They completed star outlines and wrote a sentence about their positive qualities. Then they shared their sentences with the class.

National Poetry Day



National Poetry Day is an annual mass celebration on the first Thursday of October that encourages all to enjoy, discover and share poetry. All week, pupils have been exploring language through a range of poems and many were inspired to write their own verse. Children also performed poetry to help them understand the cultural significance and power of the spoken word.

Y1 Seasonal Verse

Autumn

Fuzzy, grey squirrels,
Bright, glittery sunlight,
Slow, howling wind,
Twirly, floaty leaves,
Cute, small birds,
Squelchy, wet mud,
Brown, shiny conkers

By Brian (Y1)

Autumn

Soft, grey squirrels,
Warm, bright sunlight,
Cold, slow wind,
Red, soft leaves,
Colourful, brave birds,
Wet, soft mud,
Hard, smooth conkers.

By Humna (Y1)



Y4 Poetry Slam

National Poetry Day

Inspired by the Black poets on the Blue Peter website, Y4 RK composed their own spoken word poems. Pupils discussed the cultural significance of spoken poetry in communities around the world and how this relates to the oral tradition. They then worked on their own or in groups to write poems about something that mattered to them. Subjects included, protests in India, equality and equity, world hunger, respect, kindness and protecting the environment. The class held a poetry slam where every poem was performed to a supportive audience. Here are some examples of the children's fantastic work:

The rhyme is cold, the history is dark,
It was not always a happy world,
You see, people were judged,
People were forced. People were kidnapped,
People needed help.
Now it's gone, the darkness has disappeared,
Now you can make a difference and change the world,
You can make the dark world happy.
For once. This time.

By Rajbinnd (Y4)

People protesting in the hot, Indian
sun,
Turning weak,
But still protesting,
Being blasted by water and bullets,
Day after day,
But we can stop this.

By Harman and Joshua (Y4)



We are all equal
We chose our destiny,
We are who we are.
We don't have to change
We'll find your talent.
I live in the past,
You live in the future.
Black is beautiful.

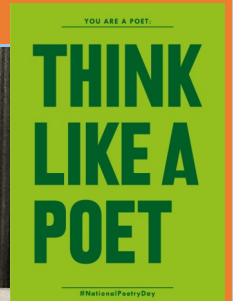
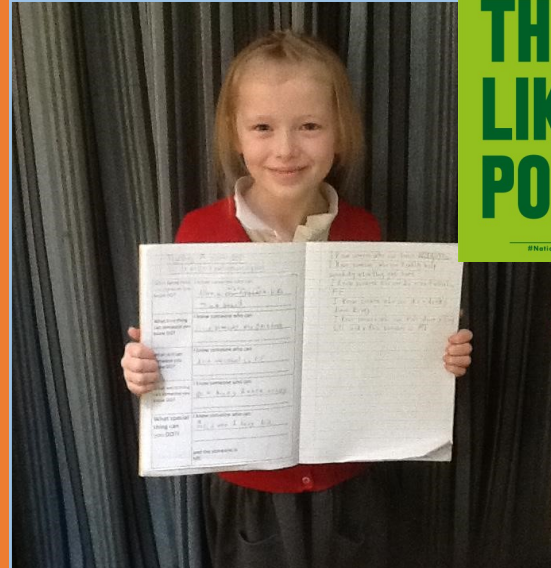
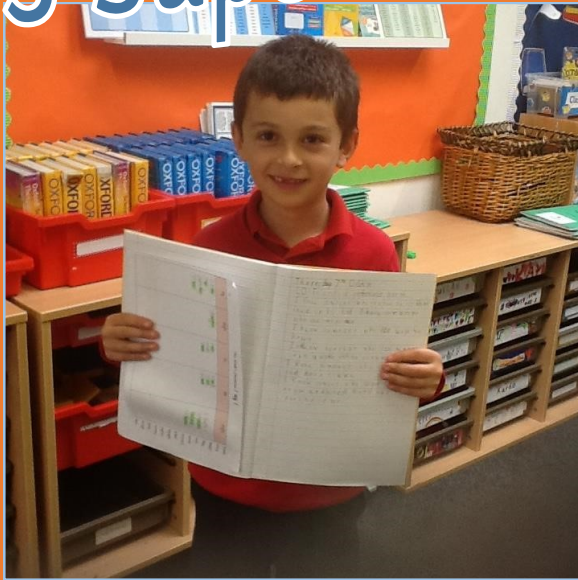
By Kelsie (Y4)

Never disrespect by colour,
You're beautiful the way you are,
Like a shining star.
Don't ever judge other people,
They are pretty the way they are,
Like the sun.
Be the future in history.

By Ravleen and Millie (Y4)

National Poetry Day

Y3 Superstar Poets



Kris and Amber won special praise for their fabulous poems called, "I Know Someone Who..." Their poems were inspired by the work of the wonderful Michael Rosen.

Y5 Out of this World Space Poetry

Year Five flexed their poetry muscles this week by writing poems about the moon using figurative language. Jake's poem is particularly rich in metaphor, simile and powerful adjectives:

The Moon

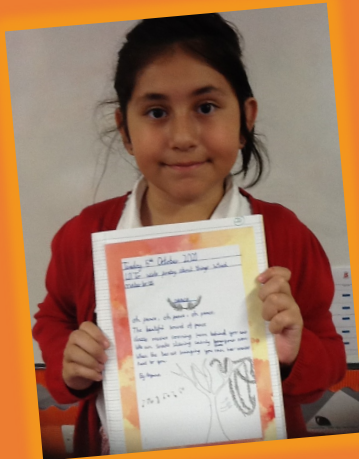
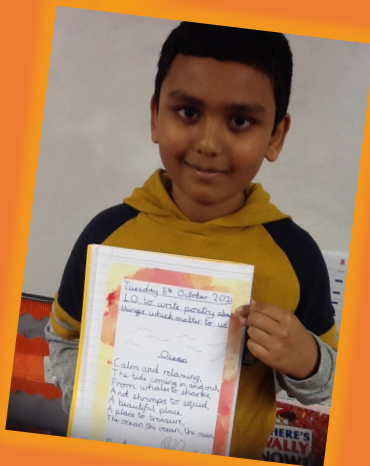
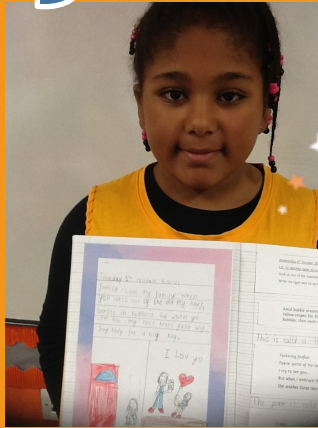
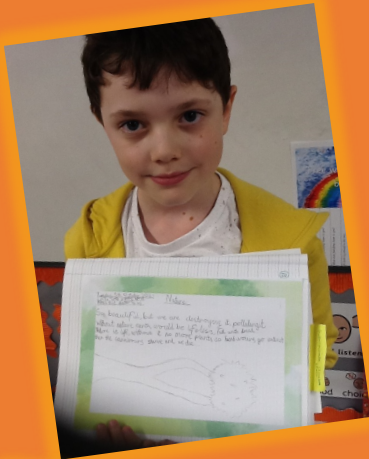
The moon is a crystal, silver CD shimmering in the sunlight,
The moon is a steel eyeball as emotionless as a pebble,
The moon is a nocturnal mirror shining in the light of the stars,
The moon is an ancient balloon floating in the night sky,
The moon is a delicate angel watching over us.

By Jake



National Poetry Day

Y4 Poetry Stars



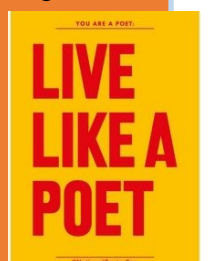
Y4 SM penned verse about topics that were close to their hearts. Themes included family, love, nature and the environment.



Reception Performance Poets



Reception did a brilliant job learning and performing a poem about Goldilocks and the Three Bears.



Arts Ambassadors



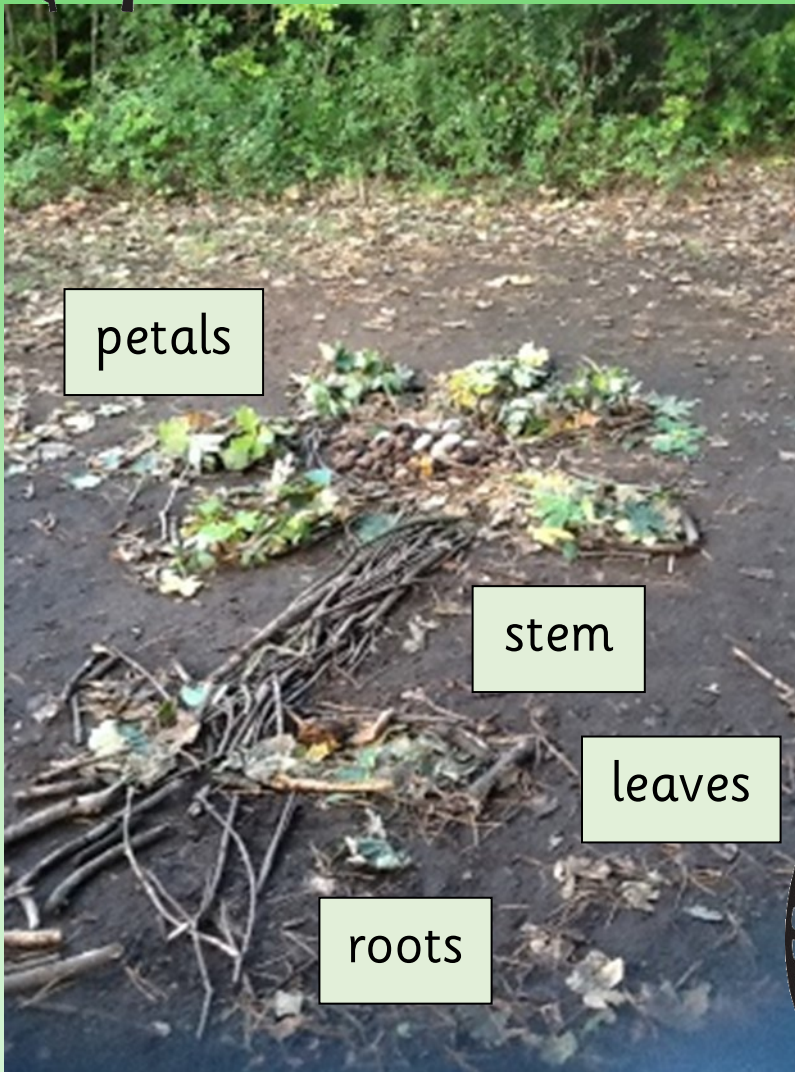
Meet our wonderful Arts Ambassadors who are responsible for promoting the visual and performing arts at school. The ambassadors are currently working with Miss Glenny and staff from Leamington Art Gallery and Museum, developing an exciting whole school project. Watch this space!



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Y1 Natural Art



Y1 have been learning the names for the different parts of a plant by making artwork from natural materials.. The children worked together to create an outline of a flower and then collected natural objects to fill it in.

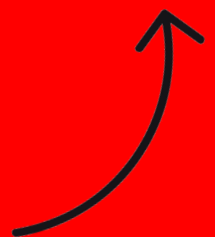
Supporting your child with reading

We encourage every child to read at least four times a week at home so that they can become confident and fluent readers. Here are some questions that you can ask your child when reading with them:

1. Look at the front cover. What could the book be about?
2. Who is the author? Do you know any other books written by them?
3. Who is the illustrator? Do you like their style?
4. What does that word mean? Read the words around it to try to figure it out.
5. Can you read an unfamiliar word? Sound it out and blend the sounds together.
6. Who are the main characters?
7. What do you think will happen next?
8. How do you think that character feels? How do you know? How would you feel in that situation?
9. Can you predict how the story will end?
10. Who is your favourite character? Why?
11. Is there a hidden message in the story? What is it?



Don't forget to sign your child's reading diary every time they read!



Look who's reading...

Jackson has been enjoying reading his Tom Gates book this week. Here are his thoughts on why he loves reading:

It's the fact that it's not real and it's something that helps you get off the iPad. It's like you have become one of the characters when you read a book. I love it!



I think that Jackson's words mirror those of British writer and poet, Benjamin Zephaniah. There is nothing better than getting lost in the pages of a book!I wonder who will feature in next week's newsletter!



Sometimes I travel by bike, sometimes by car, train or plane, but my favourite way to travel is by book. It's cool, and there are no limits
- Benjamin Zephaniah

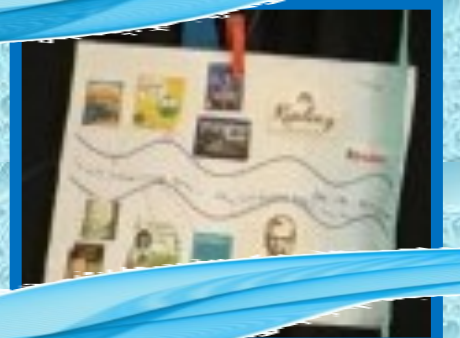
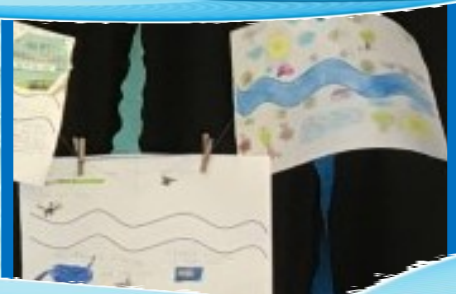
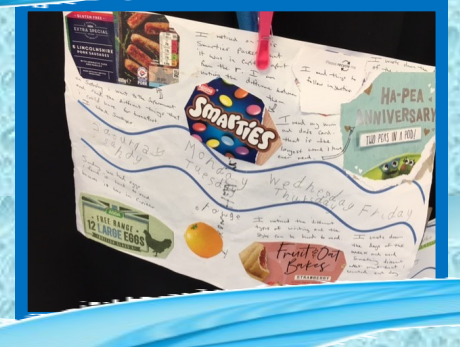
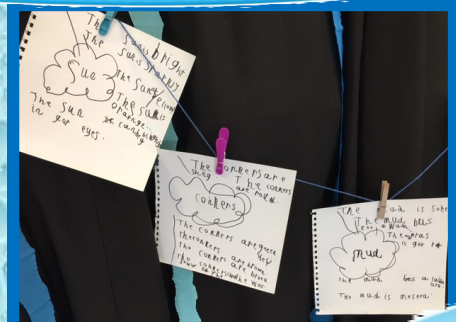
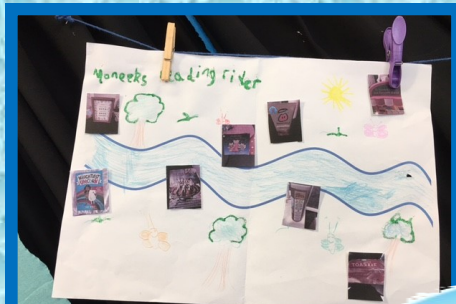
Happy reading, everyone!
Miss Challand



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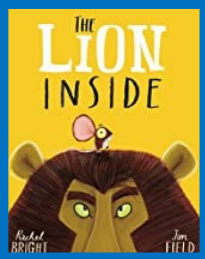
Welcome to the Reading River!



We were absolutely delighted to have some visitors in school on Wednesday — our lovely parents and carers for the pupils in 1CD came to visit our Reading River! The children had worked really hard at home, reading everything and anything they could get their hands on, and creating these beautiful collages. They listened really carefully to three stories in the hall, learning some new vocabulary and answering questions based on the words



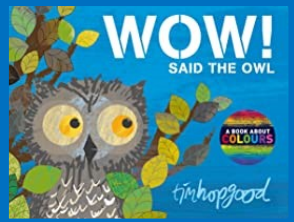
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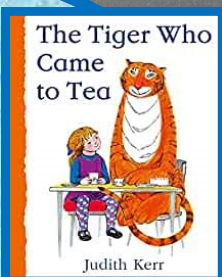
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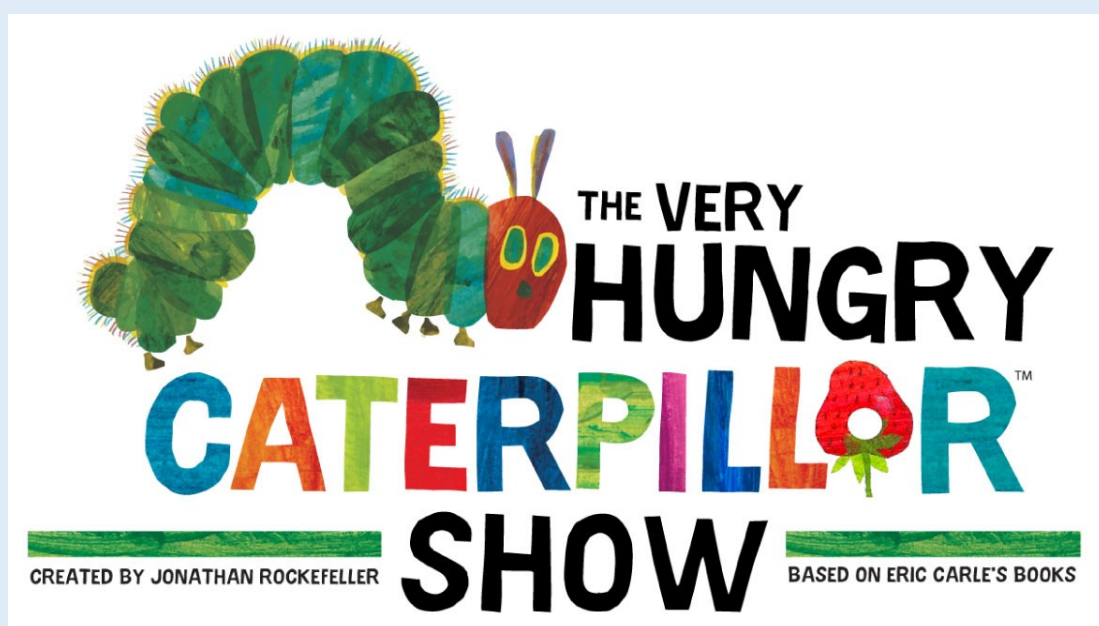
curious

YR and Y1 Theatre Trip



Dive into Eric Carle's bright and colourful world as his beloved stories are transformed from page to stage, using a menagerie of 75 lovable puppets and charming music. Featuring your favourite titles: ***Brown Bear, Brown Bear, 10 Little Rubber Ducks, Dream Snow*** and of course, the star of the show, ***The Very Hungry Caterpillar*** which celebrated its 50th Birthday in 2019.

Reception and Year One will be visiting Warwick Arts Centre to watch a performance of "The Very Hungry Caterpillar Show" on Thursday 16th December. Children will travel by coach and should be back in time for their lunch at the usual time. The cost of the trip is £12.95. Please visit Parent Pay to make your contribution—an option is available to pay in three instalments.



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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture

Y5 and Y6 Theatre Trip



"Magic is always impossible. That's what makes it magic."

A magician conjures an elephant from the sky, setting off a chain of events so remarkable, so impossible, that it changes life in the quiet and lonely town of Baltese forever. A boy called Peter is catapulted into the quest of his life, overturning everything he ever thought he knew, and discovering that happiness can come from the most unexpected places.

Year Five and Year Six will be visiting The Royal Shakespeare Theatre to watch a performance of "The Magician's Elephant" on Tuesday 14th December. Pupils will go home at the end of the school day for their dinner and then return to school at 5.45pm for departure by coach to Stratford-upon-Avon. The show will finish late (approximately 10pm) so children will be allowed to come into school a little later the following day (details to follow nearer the time.) The cost of this visit is £16.50. Please visit ParentPay to make your contribution—an option is available to pay in three instalments.



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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture

Y2 and Y3 Theatre Trip



“Beauty and the Beast” at The Belgrade Theatre

This year The Belgrade presents the enchanting tale of Beauty and the Beast. One of the most popular panto titles ever, this long awaited production will be extra special and guaranteed to bring a touch of magic, mayhem and monstrous fun to your festive celebrations.

Things are looking bleak for beautiful Belle! Kidnapped by the beast, she is locked away in a castle with little hope of escape. But unbeknownst to her, the beast is actually a handsome prince under the curse of an evil enchantress. Only by changing his selfish ways and finding true love can he ever hope to break the spell. Will the Beast change his ways in time? And will Belle ever get back home? There's only one way to find out!

Years Two and Three will be visiting The Belgrade Theatre in Coventry to watch a performance of “Beauty and the Beast” on Thursday 25th November at 10.15am

Children will travel to Coventry by coach, and have a slightly later packed lunch (snacks will be provided at the theatre by school). The children will be back in school by the end of the school day.

The cost of this visit is £16.50 per child. Please visit ParentPay to make your contribution—an option is available to pay in three instalments.

WOULD YOUR CHILD LIKE TO PLAY IN THEIR VERY OWN ROCK BAND?

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Rocksteady in-school band lessons are the perfect opportunity for your child to learn new skills, develop friendships and have the time of their life. Parents often find that Rocksteady lessons also boost children's confidence, wellbeing, and even academic achievement.

Here's some more information about what your child could experience:

- Lessons are held during the school day. There's no experience necessary and all instruments are provided, so it's totally inclusive and accessible for all.
- Your child can choose from drums, vocals, keyboard or electric guitar (subject to availability). They'll join their bandmates for a weekly 30-minute lesson, where together they'll learn some of their favourite songs, developing up to 300 musical skills along the way.
- You can proudly watch as your child performs in their Rocksteady concert at the end of each term, showing you and their friends just how far they have come.
- Rocksteady is the largest provider of rock and pop band lessons, working with thousands of UK primary schools every year. Our experienced band leaders will guide and inspire your child to progress their musical skills at your child's own pace, ensuring they enjoy the journey.
- A highlight of the school week, your child could enjoy the Rocksteady experience for £34.85 a month (no payment in August). There is a money back guarantee for the first month and you can cancel at any time.
- ***NEW*** You'll also receive regular updates on your child's progress through the parent timeline.
- ***NEW*** Your child will become either a Mini Rocker (Reception to Year 2), Rock Hero (Year 3 and Year 4) or a Rock Icon (Year 5 and Year 6).

Places are offered on a first come, first served basis. Selecting different instrument options will also give you the best chance of getting a place. To secure your child's spot in the band or find out more visit www.rocksteadymusicschool.com or call 0330 113 0330.

Best wishes,
Mark Robinson | Chairman and Founder



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HERE'S WHAT SOME PARENTS AND HEADTEACHERS
HAVE TO SAY ABOUT ROCKSTEADY LESSONS



Libraries Week

#librariesweek
Take action with your library

LibrariesWeek
4-10 OCTOBER 2021



Leamington library is open and welcoming book lovers!
All children are eligible for a free library card and can borrow up to
ten books, e-books or audio books without charge.
Don't delay; join today!

Brunswick Hub have a chilled foodbank scheme to support families in crisis

There is a £5 charge but you will receive around £20 of basic foods



There's always milk, bread, cheese, ham, margarine, eggs, frozen chicken and frozen mince, and depending on availability there may be some extras as well

We can substitute items if they do not meet your dietary requirements.

Please call 01926 422123 to chat to one of our team about your order



PTA Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of our Parent Teacher Association will be held on **Wednesday 3rd November at 4.30pm**. The meeting will take place via Microsoft Teams.

At the meeting we will elect a chairperson, treasurer and secretary for this academic year.

If you haven't yet informed Miss Glenny that you'd like to be involved in the PTA, please do so by emailing her at:

glenny.c1@welearn365.com

(Your email address will be needed in order to set up the Teams meeting.)

The PTA is responsible for organising fun and exciting community, fund raising events that benefit our school. If you'd like to volunteer in any capacity, please come along to the meeting.



Diary Dates

Monday 11th October	School closed for in-service (teacher) training.
Tuesday 12th October	Pick-up time changes back to 3.20pm for all children.
Tuesday 12th October	Ros Ingram (artist) begins art project with Y2.
Monday 18th October	Y3 trip to Cadbury World.
Wednesday 13th October	School photographs—individual portraits.
Tuesday 19/Wednesday 20/ Thursday 21 October 2021	Parent/Carer conferencing via Microsoft Teams—information about how to book your appointment coming soon!
Wednesday 20th October	Y1 EL Reading River, 9.15—9.45am.
Friday 22nd October	MUFTI (non uniform) Day—bring 50p to wear your own choice of clothes to school. All donations to School Fund.
Monday 25th October—Friday 29th October school closed for half-term holiday.	
School re-opens on Monday 1st November	
Tuesday 2nd November	Y5 visit to The Space Centre.
Tuesday 19th October	YR and Y3 Diwali workshop.
Thursday 25th November	Y2/3 theatre trip—"Beauty and the Beast."
Friday 26th November	MUFTI (non uniform) Day—bring 50p to wear your own choice of clothes to school. All donations to School Fund.
Tuesday 30th November	Nasal flu immunisations—provisional date.
Wednesday 1st/2nd December	Y5 and Y6 silent disco—more information coming soon!
Wednesday 1st December	Infant Nativity, 9.30—10.00am.
Wednesday 8th December	Y1/2 carol concert, 9.30—10.00am.
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.
Friday 10th December	Y5/6 carol concert, 9.30—10.00am.
Monday 13th December	Christmas dinner.
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



Years One & Two



Sydenham Superstars



Years Three & Four



Years Five & Six

Remember that school is closed on Monday for training. See you on Tuesday 12th October.

Best wishes from Miss Glenny (Associate Headteacher)