

# The Victorians

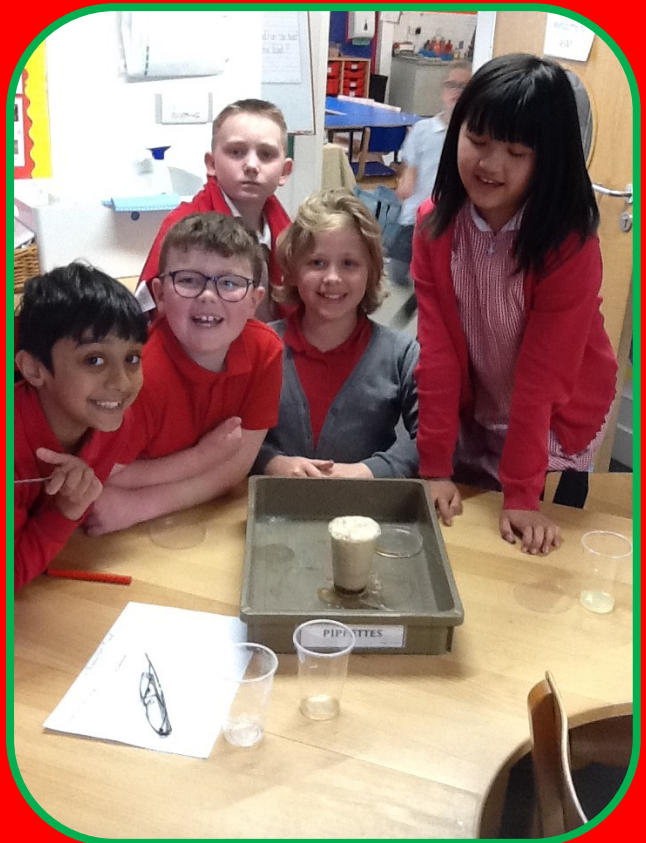


## Y6 Step Back in Time



Year 6 travelled back to the Victorian era this week to find out what education was like 150 years ago. Using role play, the children experienced life in the Victorian classroom. They wrote on slates and some unlucky children even had to wear the dunce's cap!

# Escape From Pompei

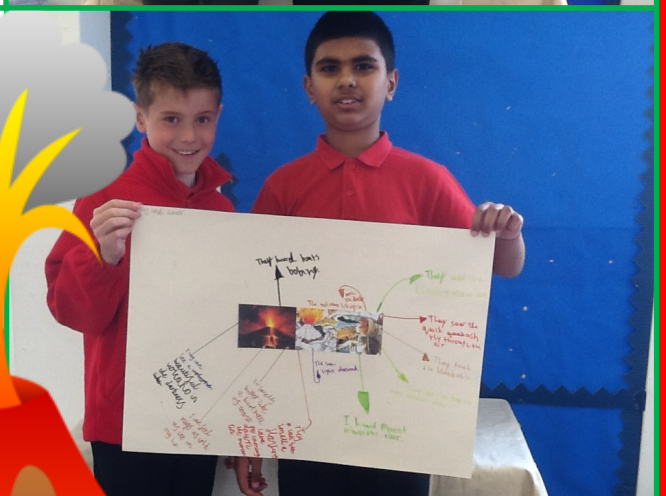
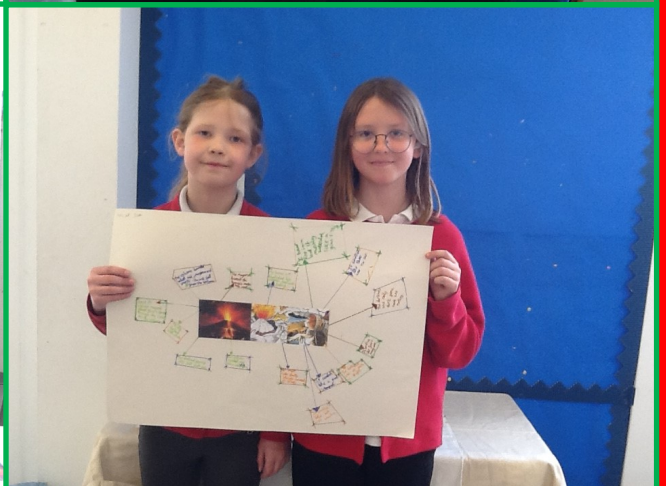
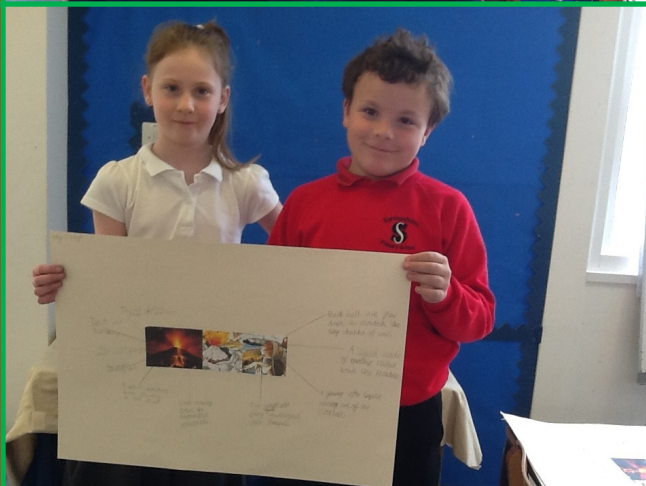
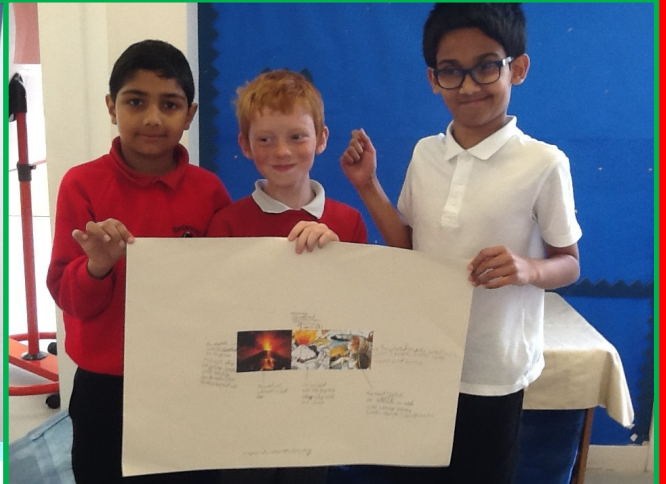


Year Four have been learning about the catastrophic explosion of Mount Vesuvius as part of their topic on the Romans. Pupils are planning a piece of writing about their escape from Pompei and have continued to learn about volcanoes in Science.



# Escape From Pompei

## Year Four writing plans



# Y2 Shared Writing





## The Forest's Blanket

The Forest's Blanket is made of chirping birds and blooming trees,  
We see a million leaves.



The Forest's Blanket is made of swaying trees and buds bursting,  
It keeps us cool.

The Forest's Blanket is made of flashing bees and hibernating hedgehogs,  
We see knitting spiders there.



The Forest's Blanket is made  
of crawling caterpillars and  
wriggling pupa.  
It keeps us company.

The Forest's Blanket is made of  
hidden passages and fresh,  
smoky smells.  
We see an army of  
ants marching there.

**By Y2 RK**



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# Ancient Egyptian Art



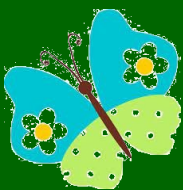
**Year Five have been exploring some of the artefacts found in the tomb of Tutankhamun.**

The children made careful sketches of the artefacts, closely observing the details of each archaeological find.





# Wriggle and Crawl



Year 2 have been inspired at home by their topic of “Wriggle and Crawl.” Chloe has made a bug hotel and butterfly feeder whilst Oscar has been collecting and observing invertebrates he’s found on his daily walk to school.







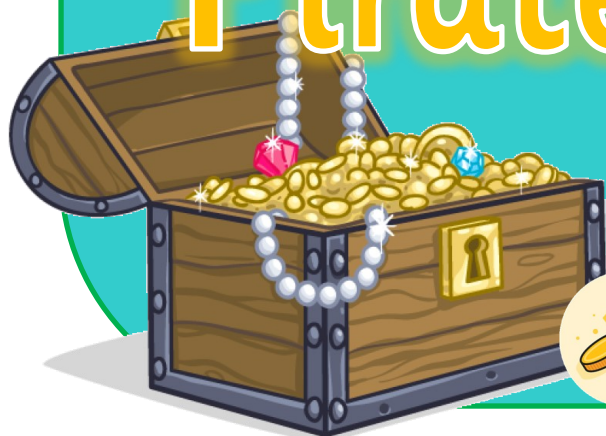
# Exploring Number



Ahoy, me hearties! Reception having been practising counting by sorting pirate treasure. The children loved recording different numbers and organising sparkling jewels into sets.



# Pirate Treasure!



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# Y1 Royal Tea Party

Y1 have enjoyed a traditional English tea party as part of their topic, "Bright Lights, Big City."

The children ate scones with jam and cream and relaxed with a lovely cuppa!





# Other Information

## **Easter Word Trail Winner**

Thank you to all of the families that participated in our Easter Word Trail. We hope you enjoyed taking part .

We would also like to thank everyone who agreed to display a letter in their window. We raised £84 for our school fund which we will use to support the children's learning .

We have drawn the winner and are very pleased to announce that **Bhaavi Kalsi** in Year 5 was the winner of a £25 Amazon Voucher. Congratulations, Bhaavi!

## **Parking**

A parent has raised serious concerns about the safety of the parking and driving on Calder Walk and its neighbouring streets. Please make sure that you stick to the speed limit and park within the law without mounting the kerb or blocking driveways. I'm sure we all agree that the safety of our children is paramount, so please can we work together to solve this persistent problem. Thank you for taking this matter seriously and ensuring that our pupils can come to school without fear of being injured.

## **Diary Dates**

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| Monday May 3rd 2021  | May Day—school closed for a public holiday.                                      |
| Monday May 24th 2021 | Class photographs.   |
| Friday 28th May 2021 | MUFTI (non-uniform) Day. Bring 50p to wear your own choice of clothes to school. |

### **Monday 31st May—Friday 4th June school closed for Whitsun holiday**

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| Monday 7th June 2021     | INSET Day—school closed for teacher training. |
| Wednesday 21st July 2021 | Break up for the summer holiday               |

### **Thursday 22nd July—Wednesday 1st September school closed for summer holiday**

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| Thursday 2nd September 2021 | School closed for teacher training. |
| Friday 3rd September 2021   | School closed for teacher training. |
| Monday 6th September 2021   | Autumn term begins.                 |

Please note that next Monday (3rd May) is a bank holiday so school will be closed. We re-open on Tuesday 4th May.

**Enjoy the long weekend.**

**Kind regards from Miss Glenny.**



# Sydenham Superstars

## YR LS

Mrs Scholes has chosen **Anna** to be the class superstar this week. Anna has been an excellent potion maker, mixing petal leaves and herbs to make perfume. She was able to describe her perfume and write its name. Well done!

## YR HC

**Lawa** is this week's YR HC superstar. Lawa has made good progress in phonics and is becoming more confident at speaking in English. He has also been working hard at home. Keep it up Lawa!

## Y1 EL

**Ramneek** has been nominated as superstar for making a super effort with her handwriting. Ramneek is trying really hard to form her letters correctly and make sure they sit on the line. Well done for all your hard work, Ramneek.

## Y1 CD

Miss Daly's superstar is **Penny** for her fabulous phonics. Penny is listening hard in phonics lessons and is using er sounds when she writes. She has also been a brilliant talk partner this week. We're really proud of you, Penny.

## Y2 RK

**Cris** is Y2 RK superstar for being a wonderful poet and collector of words. Cris has written a super poem called "Antarctica's Blanket" which is full of fabulous ideas and effective imagery. Well done!

## Y2 CP

The Y2 CP superstar is **Josh**. Josh has been chosen for his brilliant attitude to learning. He always has a go, concentrates and enjoys his learning—just like our pig, eagle and dolphin learning characters. What a Sydenham superstar!

## Y3 JL

Mr Lee has nominated Lucia as class superstar. Lucia is kind, caring and great fun to be around. Her smile really lights up the classroom! Lucia is a great talk partner who works hard in class and at home. Congratulations, Lucia.



# Sydenham Superstars

## Y3 CR

## Y4 AH

Mrs Keys has nominated **Mahad** as superstar. Mahad always works hard and listens carefully to instructions. He is also incredibly helpful around the classroom and rushed to Mrs Key's aid during Science this week when a bottle of vinegar lost its lid and spilt everywhere! Thank you, Mahad.

## Y4 SM

**Reece** is Y4 SM superstar. Reece has been a supportive talk partner this week. He has also persevered with some tricky maths learning on converting fractions, refusing to give up even when presented with a challenge. What a brilliant growth mindset attitude to learning.

## Y5 CB

Miss Ball is very pleased to choose **Saanvi** as this week's superstar. Saanvi has completed extra Egyptian learning at home as well as showing a huge improvement in her reading. She has been coming to Miss Ball every day to tell her about the exciting things that she has read about in her book and has been showing real enthusiasm in class

## Y5 JE

Well done to **Taimoor**—Y5 JE class superstar. This week, Taimoor has made a super effort to concentrate in class, focus on his learning and present his work neatly. He has also made a great Egyptian timeline.

## Y6 KG

**Zara** has been chosen as class superstar for consistently working hard and setting a good example. Zara was also a really good sport on Victorians day when she played the role of the child made to wear the dunce's cap!

## Y6 JvS

Mrs Van der Sterren was so impressed by **Matty's** writing this week that she has chosen him as superstar. Matty wrote a convincing Victorian school diary which was amusing and really drew on the facts he has learnt in History lessons. Well done, Matty!

**Have a happy weekend!**  
**Best wishes from Miss Glenny**