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Article 29: Goals of Education

Y2 Still Life Compositions





"Jznyar Malina" Sculpture From Nature By Kiara



I chose the butterfly because it blends in with the kiwi. I chose the flower between the shell and kiwi because the white on the shell and pink on the flower means "for me" childhood and the green means adult life. The big bottom bit is oldness and the small bit is death. The butterfly represents whizzing hope around the world. The kiwi is strength because it's kind of sour so nothing will eat or hurt you.

Y2 RK have been exploring still life art works. They began by experimenting with composition, carefully selecting and placing different natural objects. Pupils were encouraged to explain their choices. Here for you to enjoy are examples from Kiara, Seb, Amber and Robert.































"Pollinator" By Sebastian

I chose to put the shell on top of the grapes because it looked like a monster to me. I chose to put the butterflies next to the flowers because it looks like they're pollinating. The shell, grapes and lemon look like a contrasting pattern.

Y2 Still Life Compositions



"Still Life with Lemons"

By Robert

This is Amber's exquisite drawing of her still life composition.



















15.06.21 LO: To make a fossil.





We created our own fossils by using dinosaurs and plants to make impressions in salt dough.





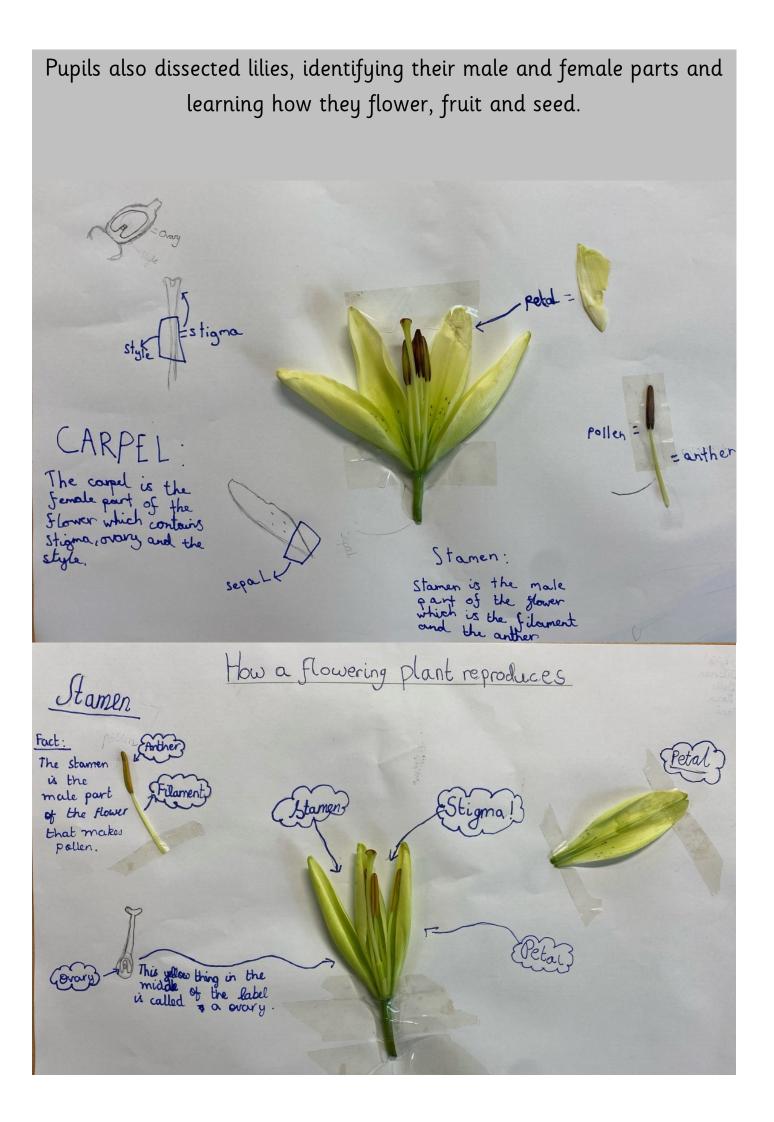


Y3 Fossils

Y5 Observational Drawings

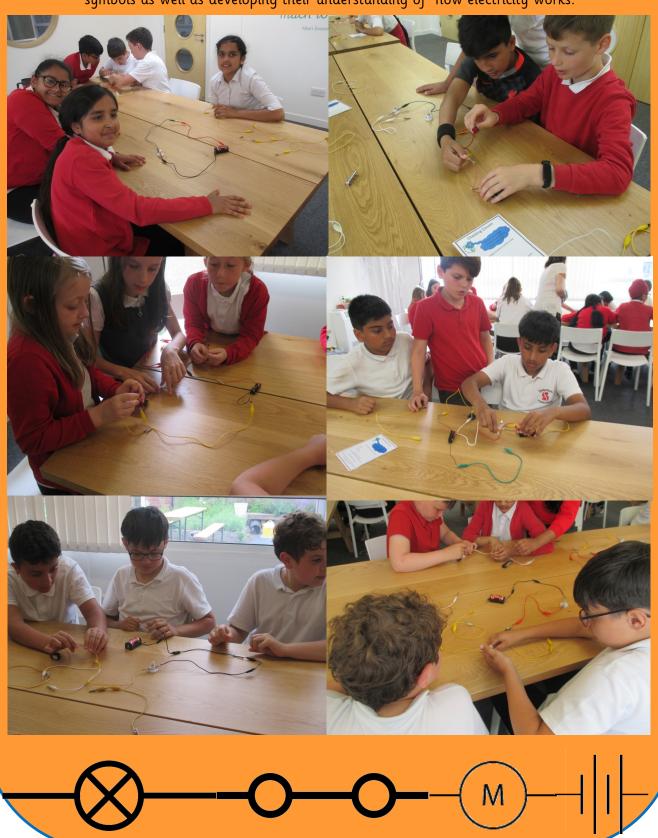
Y5 have been observing and drawing bees as part of their topic, "Sow, Grow and Farm."





Y6 Bright Sparks

Year Six have begun exploring electrical circuits using batteries, bulbs, crocodile clips and motors. The children had fun working together to make a series circuit and will go on to explore circuit symbols as well as developing their understanding of how electricity works.



Y4 Bayeux Tapestry

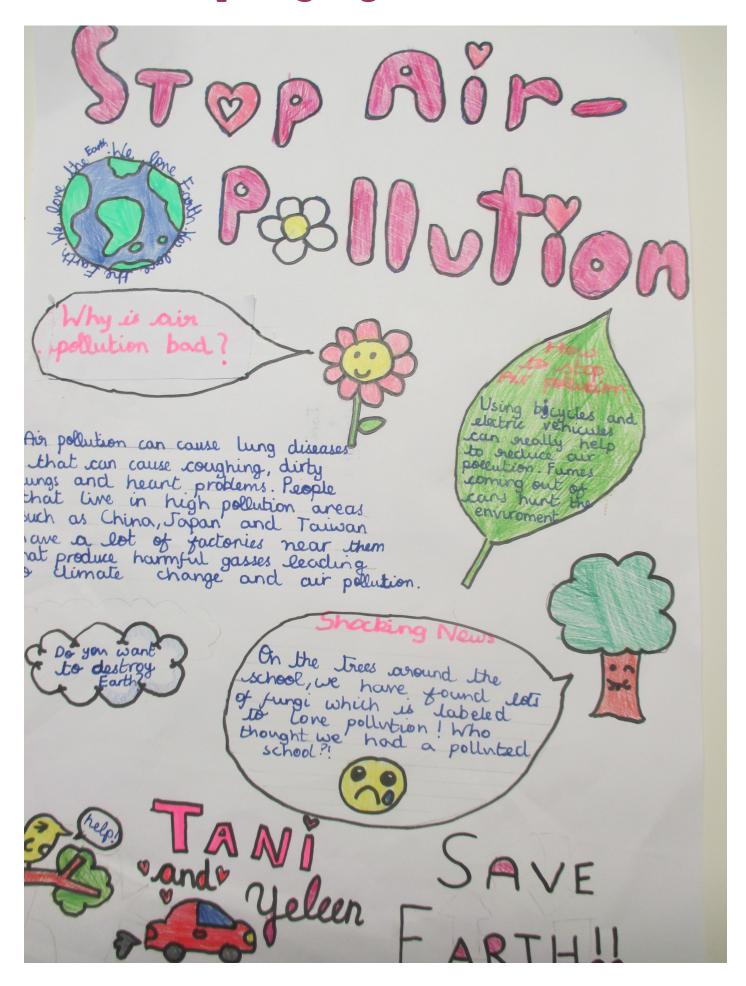




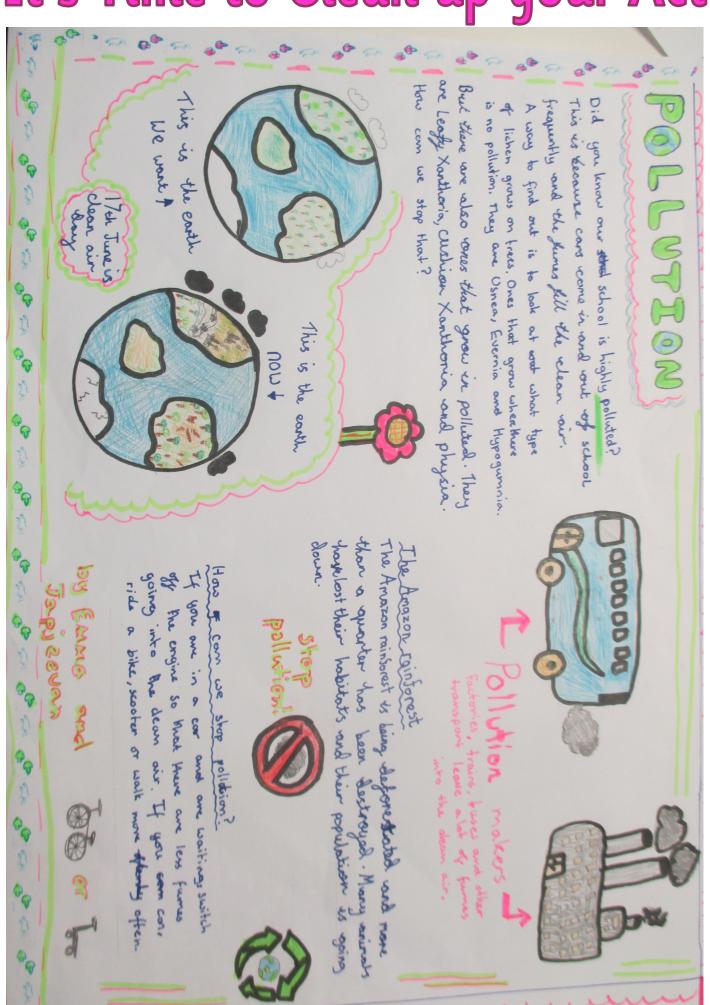


Year Four have been exploring The Bayeux Tapestry—a wonderful piece of primary source material. Pupils have been learning about the exciting events depicted in the tapestry as part of their history topic, "1066."

Y5 Campaign for Cleaner Air



It's Time to Clean up your Act



Sport's Week

Dear Parents/Carers,

Get set... as a school, we're taking part in the National Sports Week over the next few weeks We have lots of exciting activities for the children as we celebrate sport, diversity and being active.

National Sports Week - Monday 21st June - Friday 25th June

To support the National Sports Week. All classes will be joining in with different sporting activity over the week from skipping to hopping and much more. These activities will take place during the day in your child's classroom or outside.

Run for Life for schools - Friday 25th June - raising money for Cancer Research

On Friday 25th June will be taking part in Run for Life for Schools in aid of Cancer Research (I'm sure you will agree a worthy cause). On this day, children from Reception and KS1 will run 2km and children in KS2 will run 3km. Please share with family and friends and donate at https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/sydenham-primary-school

The aim is for children to be sponsored to run their race and for every child to complete the distance. We would love to raise at least £500 as a school and please remember to ask family and friends to add on Gift Aid. As it is MUFTI day please can children come in appropriate sports clothing (shorts or leggings, t-shirt and trainers) and have a water bottle. Each child will receive certificate and medal.

The Big Pedal – Monday 21st June to Friday 2 July

We are taking part in The Big Pedal. This is to encourage all children at Sydenham Primary for two weeks to take as many active journeys as they can to school. Please can you encourage your child to take active journeys to school on as many days as possible during the event, and join them on their way. Can you walk, cycle, run, scoot and/or wheel to school every day from 21 June to 2 July. **If you drive to school**, could you park further away from school and walk or scoot some of the way?! Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate.

Plus there are some great prizes to be won for the class who get the most active journeys over the two-week period.

<u>Sports Day 2021 – Monday 28 June – Friday 2nd July</u>

This year, we will be holding a 'Sports Day' during the Week Commencing 28th June. The Onside Coaches will arrange the activities during the children's usual P.E. lessons, when they will take part in competitive sports in four different 'houses', with the winning house announced at the end of the week. Regrettably, we will not be inviting any family spectators this year due to Covid-19

Enjoy the challenge! Encourage your child to be active, have fun and be safe!

Mr Lee

PE Coordinator





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Article 24: Health



YR LS

The YR LS superstar is **Moneek** who has been chosen for the ingenuity and creativity shown when making a model aeroplane. Moneek used a plastic bottle, cardboard tubes and paper to make a brilliant model, complete with propeller. Well done!

YR HC

Lacey has been chosen as the YR HC superstar. Lacey has settled in so well at Sydenham Primary School, quickly making friends and learning our routines. Lacey is a very kind, well behaved and friendly little girl and we love having her at our school.

Y1 EL

Mrs Lee has chosen **Noah** as class superstar. This week, Noah has written a wonderful story based on "Meerkat Mail." He used some lovely descriptive language and tried very hard to remember his finger spaces. Well done, Noah!

Y1 CD

Miss Daly's superstar this week is **Luca**. Luca has had a great week in class and has really managed his distractions and concentrated well. He has come in to the classroom every morning and got straight on with his Early Bird task which is lovely to see. Luca has finished so much work this week and everything has been to a really high standard—fantastic! We're really proud of you, Luca.

Y2 RK

The Y2 RK superstar is **Kris** for metamorphosising into a book worm! Kris has fallen in love with reading and has even been taking his book out on to the playground at break times. Well done, Kris for learning to appreciate the joy of reading.

Y2 CP

Erin is the Y2 CP superstar for being just like our frog Learning Character. Erin keeps on improving and is fantastic at learning from her mistakes. She really put her growth mindset into practice this week when having a go at her reading test. Well done, Erin!

Y3 JL

Mr Lee's superstar this week is **Karishma**. Karishma starts her new school on Monday and we will really miss her friendly nature, lovely manners and sense of fun. Good luck Karishma and keep up your positive attitude to learning.

Sydenham Superstars

Y3 CR

The Y3 CR superstar is **Kelsie**, who has been nominated for her outstanding contributions to topic learning this week. Kelsie has a passion for history and her knowledge of Mary Anning has amazed everybody in Y3 CR! Thank you for helping to teach the class this week Kelsie - you have been a superb assistant and we love your enthusiasm!

Y4 RK

The star of the week in Y4 RK is **Hardik.** He has worked hard this week in every lesson and showed a growth mindset by joining in with discussions in class, asking questions and choosing work that challenges him. Hardik is constantly enthusiastic about learning and it has been wonderful to see his concentration and effort at every opportunity. Keep up the great work, Hardik!

Y4 SM

Jacob has been chosen as the Y4 SM superstar for his great attitude to learning this week. Jacob has really persevered with each task and kept on trying in all lessons. Well done for your focus and good listening. You're a star!

Y5 CB

The Y5 CB superstar is **Plami** for making a super effort in Spanish lessons and for creating beautiful works of art. Plami is also such a kind, calm, polite and well behaved young lady who goes out of her way to think of others. Plami, you're a total Sydenham Superstar!

Y5 JE

Miss Ellershaw's superstar is **Olivia**. This week, Olivia has impressed everyone with her growing confidence and super work as part of a group. She has also completed some fantastic learning on decimals. Well done!

Y6 KG

Tara has been nominated as the Y6 JvS superstar. This week, Tara has really applied herself in class, concentrating well and using her time productively. She shown a positive attitude to learning and challenge which is very pleasing to see. Well done!

Y6 JvS

Mrs Van der Sterren has chosen **Simran** as superstar for working really successfully as part of a group. Simran cooperated well with other group members during Science and shared ideas when making different circuits. Well done Simran for collaborating with others and completing the task successfully.

Other Information

Primary School Quality Mark Assessment (PSQM)

We're very please to say that we have been successfully awarded The Primary School Quality Mark. The mark is in recognition of our fantastic provision in English and Mathematics. Once we receive the assessor's report, we'll share more information with you.

Hot Dinners

We were very much hoping to return to a full hot dinner menu with service for all pupils in the dining hall from June 21st. We had prepared the children for this, spoken to our kitchen staff and set out the tables in the hall so that we were ready to go! Sadly, the Local Authority has revised its guidance to schools following advice issued by Public Health. This is in response to the Prime Minister's decision not to relax lockdown restrictions until July 19th. The Local Authority is advocating a very cautious approach around social distancing in schools to reduce the possible spread of the Delta variant so, with this in mind, we have postponed our return to normal lunch service until July 19th. We are very disappointed about this but feel a duty to act cautiously. We hope you understand this and are looking forward to the return of our usual hot dinner menu during the last week of term. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Monday June 21st 2021 Sport's Week activities begin.

Friday June 25th 2021 MUFTI (non uniform) Day. Come in Sports wear and

bring a 50p donation. All proceeds to Cancer Research.

Thursday 15th July 2021 Y6 dragon boat racing.

Friday 16th July 2021 Meet your new teacher day.

Wednesday 21st July 2021 Break up for the summer holiday

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

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.

See you all on Monday.

Kind regards from Miss Glenny