

Hello Yellow

Find out how we raised hundreds of pounds for charity this week!



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Article 24: Health





On Tuesday, school turned yellow in support of the mental health charity, Young Minds.



Thanks to the generosity of our families, we have so far raised £454 via our Just Giving page.



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Throughout the day, pupils enjoyed mindful activities which can support good mental health.



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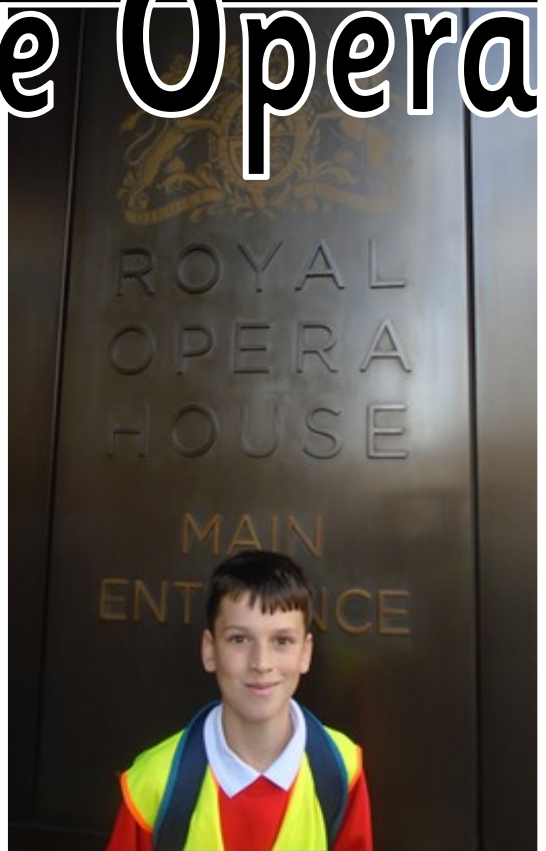
Here are Year Two who practised their Butterfly Breathing and then spent time in nature which helped them to feel calm and happy.

THE ROYAL OPERA

L'ELISIR D'AMORE



Y6 Go to the Opera



On Tuesday, Year Six travelled to The Royal Opera House in London to watch a live performance of "L'Elisir D'Amour" which translates as, "The Elixir of Love." This was a unique and memorable experience.

THE ROYAL OPERA



L'ELISIR D'AMORE




The opera told the story of a young couple, enchanted by a magical love potion. Pupils were captivated by the fabulous singing, beautiful costumes and amazing scenery. They particularly liked the use of a real tractor on stage and a dog which made two appearances.

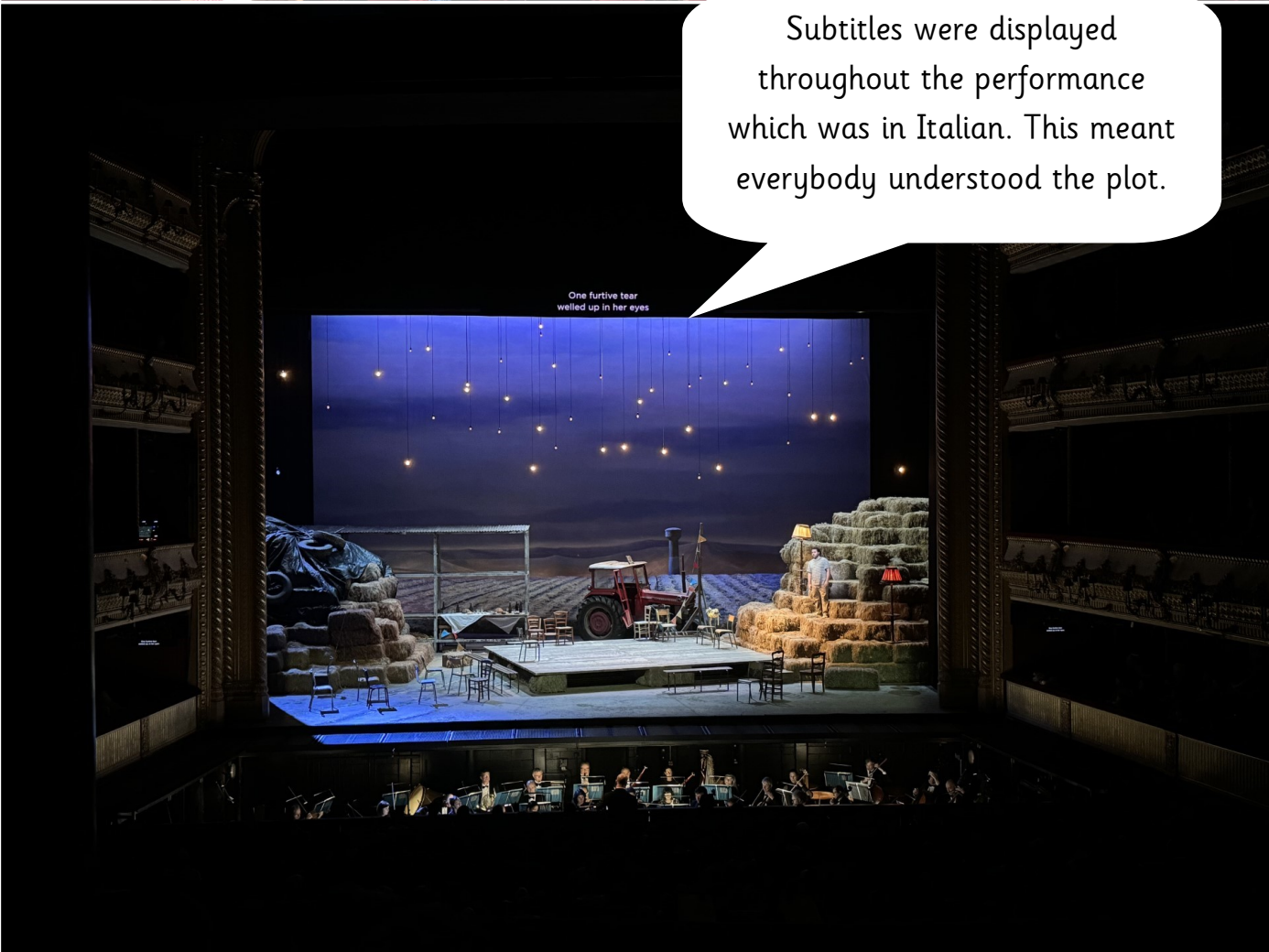


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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture.**

Y6 Go to the Opera



The opera house was a beautiful building. It even had statues and chandeliers!



Subtitles were displayed throughout the performance which was in Italian. This meant everybody understood the plot.

One furtive tear
welled up in her eyes

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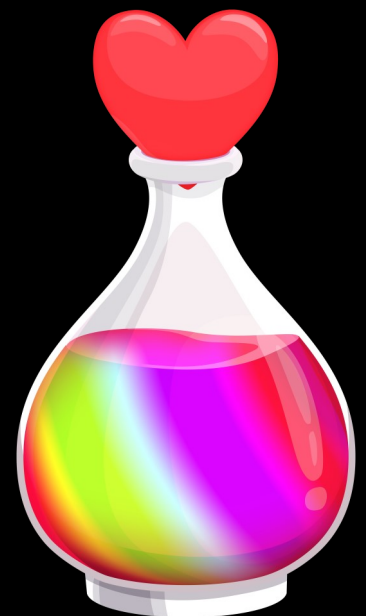
On their return from the Royal Opera House, pupils were inspired to write their own elixir of love potions.

A pinch of Halloween spice,
A sprinkle of gingerbread,
Chunk of lipstick from a lady,
Mystical smell of perfume from the forests of Punjab,
Magical stars all the way from Mars,
Irresistible sweet strawberries,
Soon you will be with the one you adore.

(By Ravleen)

If you want to make a love elixir,
Take a drop of a phoenix's fiery tear,
A teaspoon of the smell of toasty cinnamon,,
This is to make sure in your love you've won.
A drop of moonlight from the roof of your home,
The taste of a chocolate gnome,
The rushing sound of the ocean
This is all you need to make your potion.

(By Jacy)



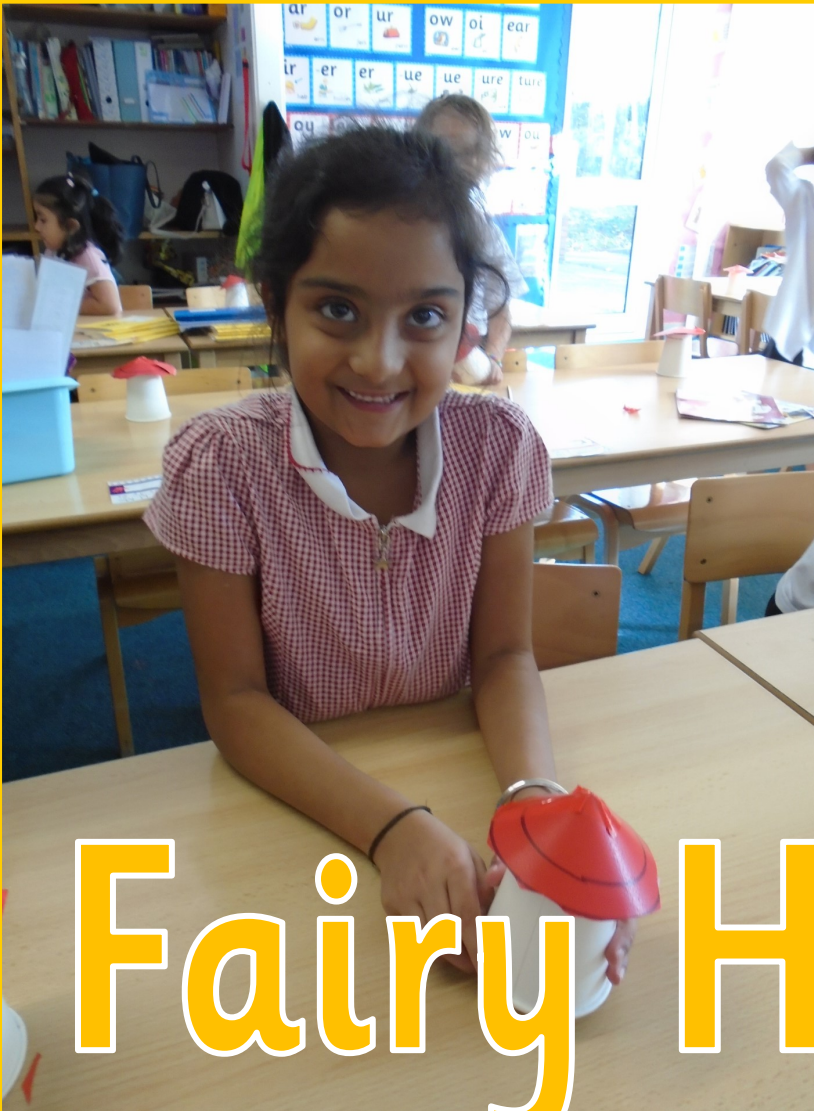
Fairy Houses

What would a woodland fairy like in their ideal home? Y1 have been exploring this question and have designed and made the perfect home, fit for a fairy.



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The children used card, tape and paper cups to make their fairy homes. They had to cut carefully and fold the card to create a cone shape for the roof. They then had to see how they could use the tape to secure the all the pieces of their house.

We're hoping that the fairies move into their new homes very soon!

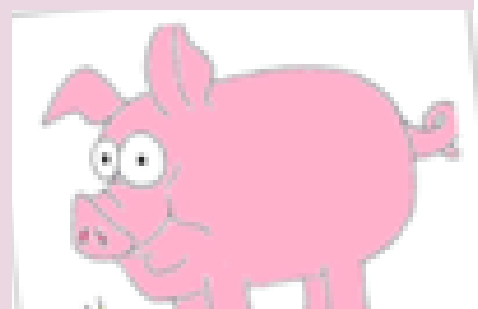
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Have A Go Heroes!

At school, we teach children positive learning behaviours such as concentration, perseverance, curiosity, cooperation, enthusiasm and imagination using animal Learning Characters. This week, pupils in Reception have been challenged to use their Learning Characters at home.

Several children were inspired by our pig character who reminds us how important it is to have a go at new things, even if they are difficult. Pictured above are Nyelle who had a go at rollerblading and Yigit who tried to fold his clothes by himself for the first time—what learning superstars!



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Food Tasting



Year Three have been tasting unusual and different foods this week.



Before tasting, each pupil worked with their talk partner to describe what each food smelled, looked and felt like.

The children found the kale very tickly and the onion quite pungent.



Music Mark

We are very proud to have been re-awarded the Music Mark in recognition of our commitment to offering pupils a rich diet of musical opportunities in school. As well as weekly lessons delivered to all students by qualified music teachers, visiting specialists also teach brass to Year Five and Music Technology to Year Three. We host Rocksteady lessons and offer cut-price guitar, flute, recorder and clarinet tuition as well as running a choir and hosting performances from visiting, professional musicians. We very much value music and the benefits it brings to pupils so are thrilled to have received this award again.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

This school is proud to be a
MUSIC MARK SCHOOL

In recognition of a commitment to
providing a high-quality music education
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Bridget Whyte
CEO of Music Mark



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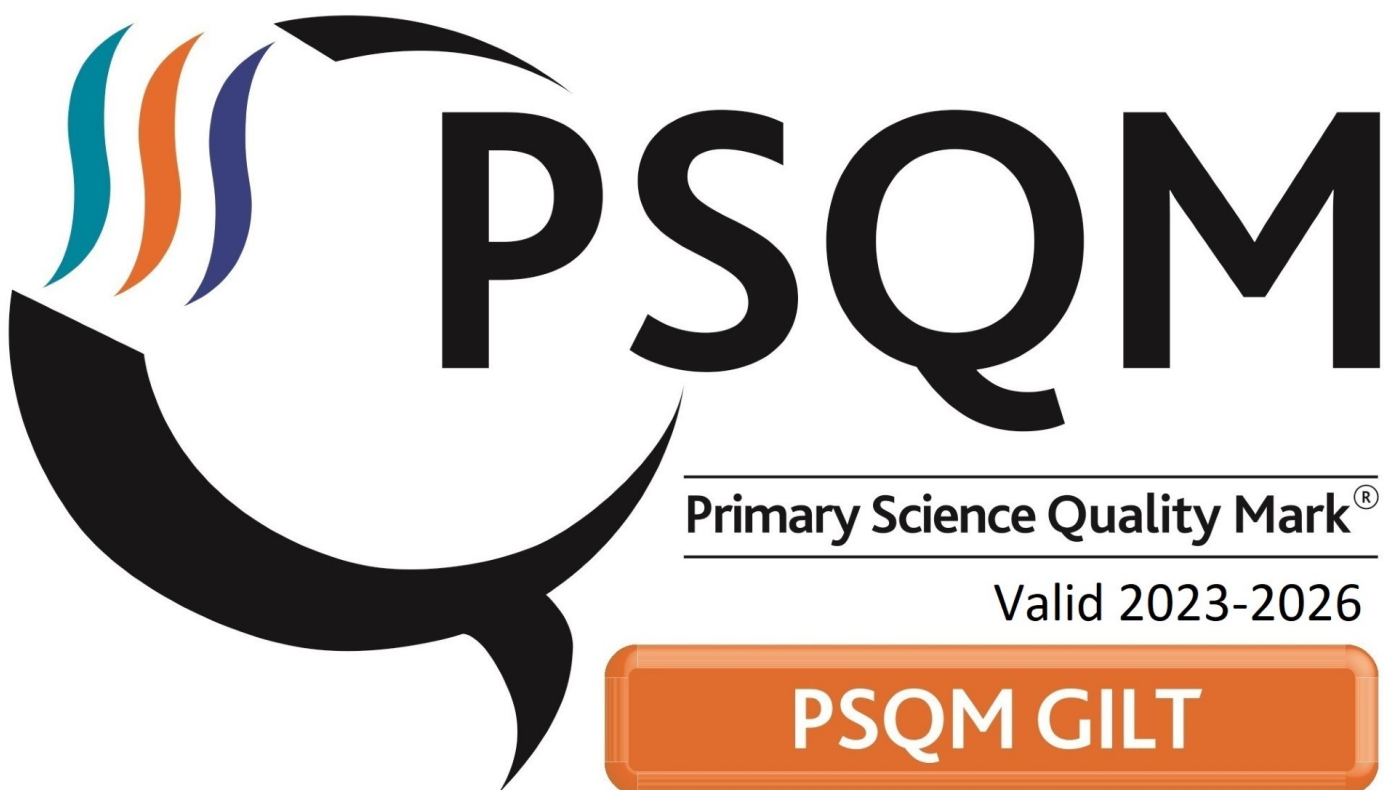
Find out more:



Science Mark

We are also very proud to have been awarded the Gilt Primary Science Quality Mark in recognition of our delivery of the Science curriculum. After submitting a portfolio of evidence, the assessors commented: “We have no hesitation in awarding the PSQM gilt quality mark. There is so much to celebrate, for example the strong links with families, the work done to develop science capital, the cross-curricular links and effective monitoring...School is clearly fully aware of the need to cater for the learning needs of all children ...and it is great to read how science has continued to flourish and grow.

Well done to Mrs Harrad, our Science Subject Leader for all her hard work!



Diary Dates

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| Tuesday 17th October | Y6 CB Moorhens class assembly at 9.15am—CANCELLED (parents/carers, please attend the poetry slam instead.) |
| Tuesday 17th October | Peer mediation training for Y5 JE Kittiwakes |
| Thursday 19th October | Peer mediation training for Y5 SD Woodpeckers |
| Monday 23rd October | Protective Behaviours (personal safety) lessons in school. |
| Tuesday 24th October | YR reading workshop for parents/carers at 2.30pm. |
| Tuesday 24th October | Y6 JvS Swans poetry slam. |
| Wednesday 25th October | Y6 CB Moorhens poetry slam. |
| Friday 27th October | MUFTI (non-uniform) Day—bring 50p if your child wears their own choice of clothes to school. |
| Monday 30th October—Friday 3rd November school closed. | |
| Monday 6th November | Pupils return to school after the half-term holiday. |
| Tuesday 7th November | Y6 JvS Swans class assembly at 9.15am— CANCELLED (parents/carers, please attend the poetry slam instead.) |
| Tuesday 7th November | YR Diwali party from 2.00pm—parents/carers are invited. |
| Wednesday November 8th | Parents' Evening, 3.30—5.30pm. Please book using the link which has been emailed to you. |
| Thursday November 9th | Parents' Evening, 3.30—7.00pm. Please book using the link which has been emailed to you. |

Diary Dates

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| Thursday 9th November | Y2 visit Warwick Castle. |
| Friday 10th November | Second City Brass Ensemble visiting school. |
| Friday 10th November | Y2 Bikeability session. |
| Tuesday 14th November | Y2 LM Swallows class assembly at 9.15am. |
| Thursday 16th November | Y5 and Y6 visit The Royal Shakespeare Theatre to watch "The Box of Delights." |
| Tuesday 21st November | Y1 EL Kingfishers class assembly at 10.15am. |
| Wednesday 22nd November | YR Maths workshop for parents/carers at 2.30pm. |
| Thursday 23rd November | Y3 and Y4 visit The Belgrade theatre to watch "Cinderella." |
| Friday 24th November | MUFTI (non-uniform) Day—bring 50p if your child wears their own choice of clothes to school. |
| Tuesday 28th November | Y5 JE Kittiwakes class assembly at 9.15am. |
| Monday 4th December | School closed for staff training. |
| Wednesday 6th December | Reception Nativity at 9.30am. |
| Monday 11th December | Reception, Y1 and Y2 visit Warwick Arts' Centre to watch "The Gruffalo." |
| Tuesday 12th December | Christmas crafts for Y1 and Y2 families. |
| Wednesday 13th December | Y1 and Y2 carol concert at 9.30am. |
| Thursday 14th December | Y3 and Y4 carol concert at 2.15pm. |
| Friday 15th December | Y5 and Y6 carol concert at 2.15pm. |



Sydenham Superstars



YR and Key Stage One

Have a nice weekend.
Best wishes from Miss
Glenny



Key Stage Two