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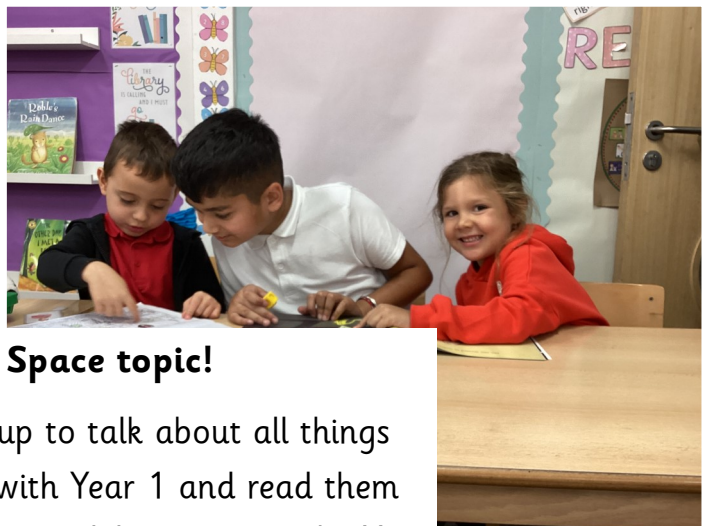


This week, Year Five have been teaching Year One all about the topic of Space. As you'll see, the children made excellent teachers.



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Article 29: Goals of Education

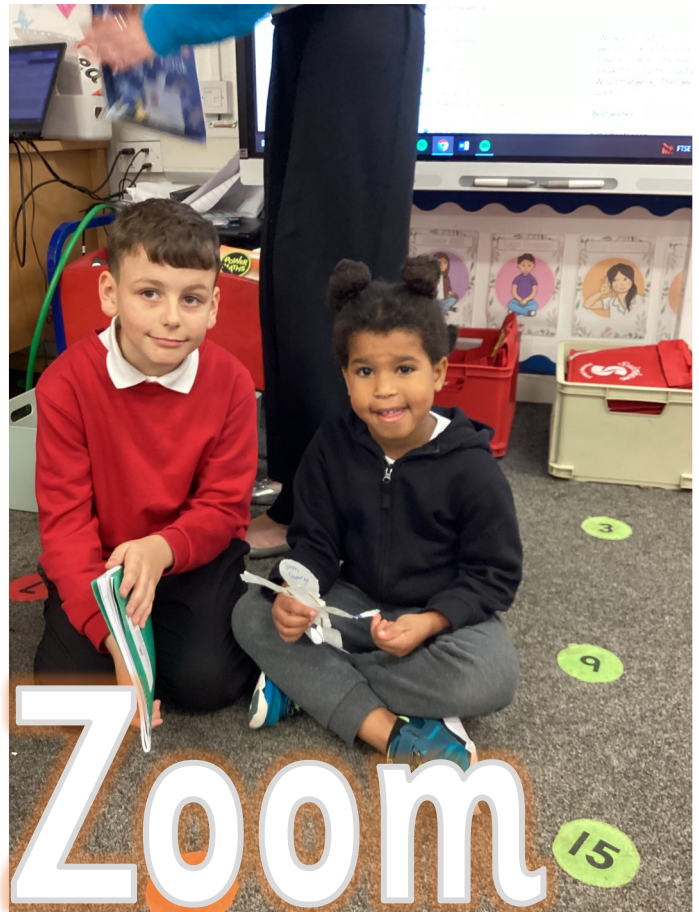
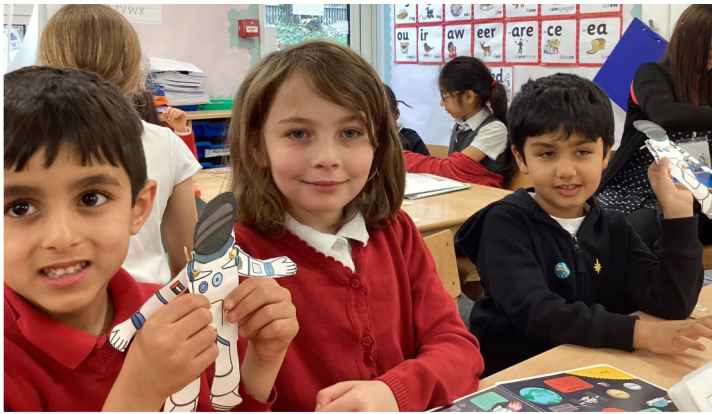


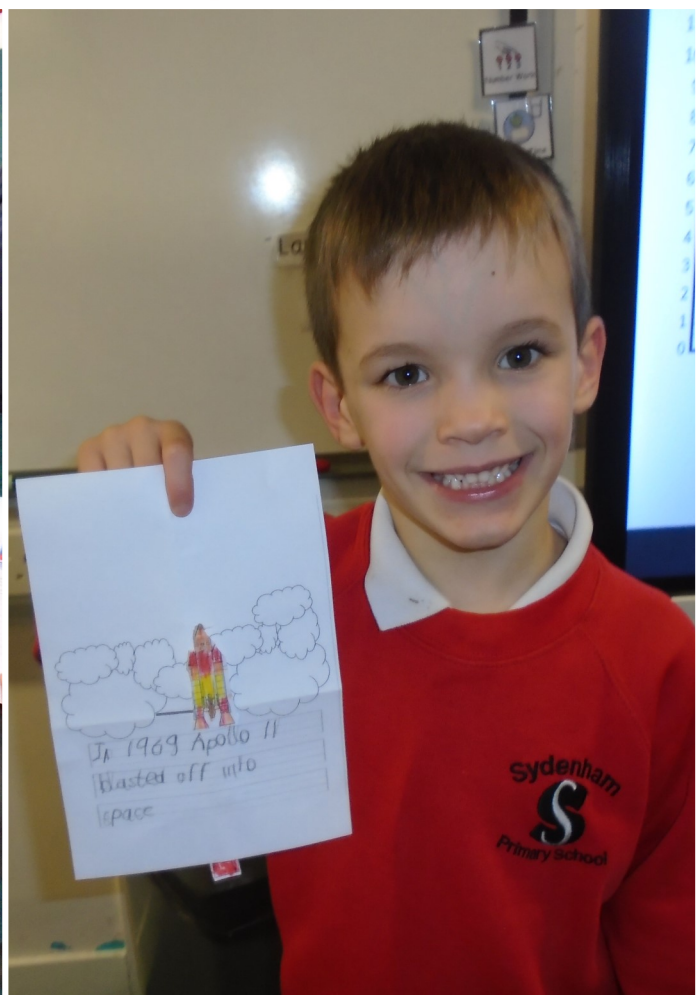


Introducing Year 1 to their Space topic!

This morning, Year 5 and Year 1 buddied up to talk about all things Space! Year 5 shared their Space learning with Year 1 and read them some Space stories. They also made astronaut models to give to the Year 1 children as a little present.

Everyone had a wonderful time!





Motionhouse Project

Year Three began their work with Motionhouse dance company this week.


Pupils are collaborating with Motionhouse on a three year project called, "The Wider World."

The sessions are led by dance practitioners Harrison and Hannah who help pupils use the language of creative movement to explore a range of ideas.




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Article 24: Health

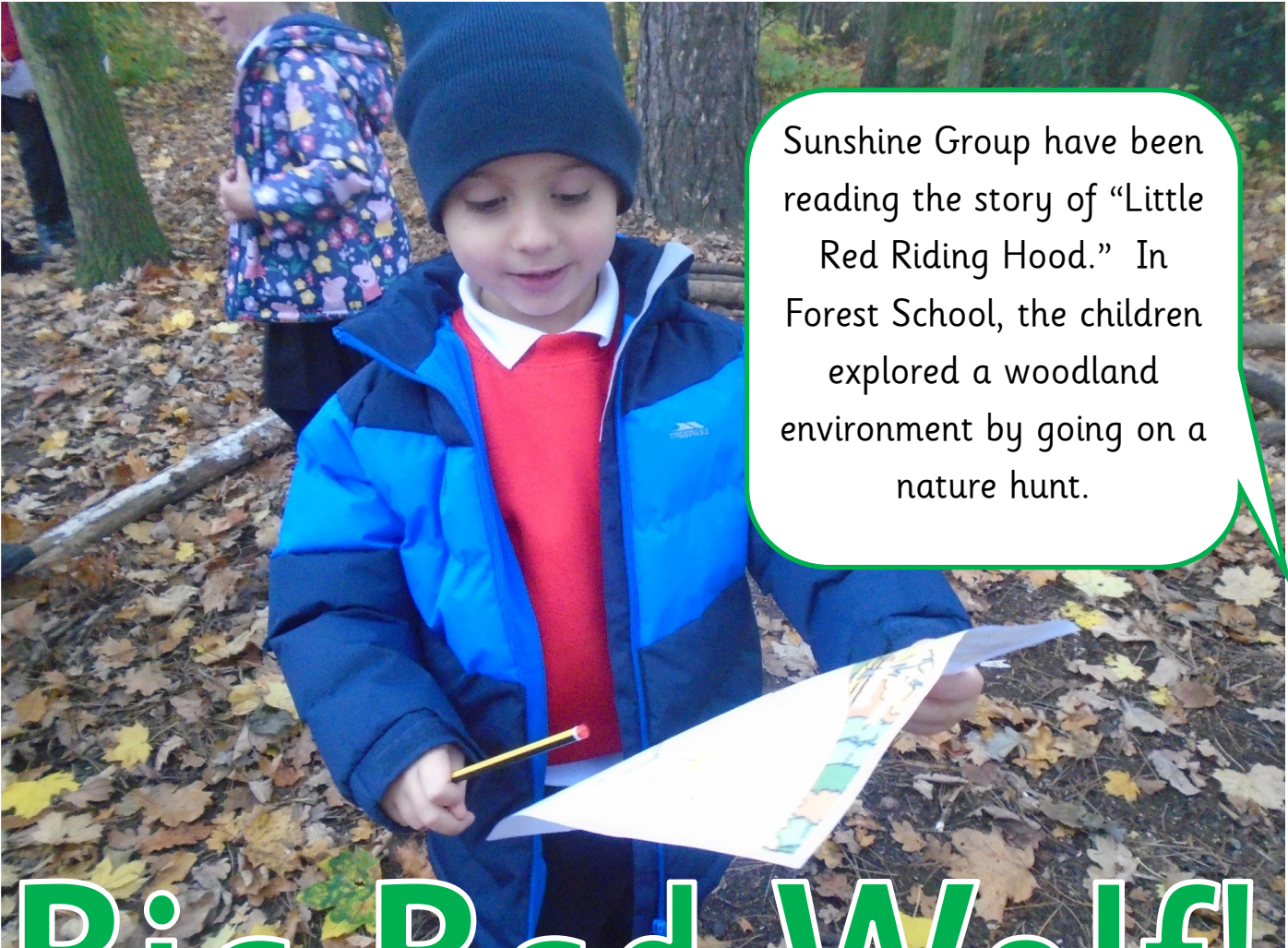
A group of children in a large hall with blue flooring are performing a yoga-like pose, bending forward with their hands on the floor. An adult male is standing on the left, observing them. In the background, there are educational posters on the wall, including one titled 'Collective worship texts' and another titled 'Languages at Sydenham'.

The project supports our PSHE curriculum and focuses on promoting inclusivity, addressing inequalities and empowering children to discover their voice and agency as creative, active citizens.

Motionhouse Project


The same group of children in the hall are now performing a dynamic movement exercise, possibly a dance or a game, with some children in the foreground moving quickly. The adult male is still on the left, watching. The background remains the same with educational posters.

The first session was great fun and we can't wait to see how the project develops.



Sunshine Group have been reading the story of “Little Red Riding Hood.” In Forest School, the children explored a woodland environment by going on a nature hunt.

Big Bad Wolf!



Back in the classroom, pupils made wolf masks and used them for role play. There was plenty of huffing and puffing!

The Highwayman

Year Five are reading Alfred Noyes' classic, narrative poem, "The highwayman" which tells the tragic story of Bess and her sweetheart, the namesake of the poem.



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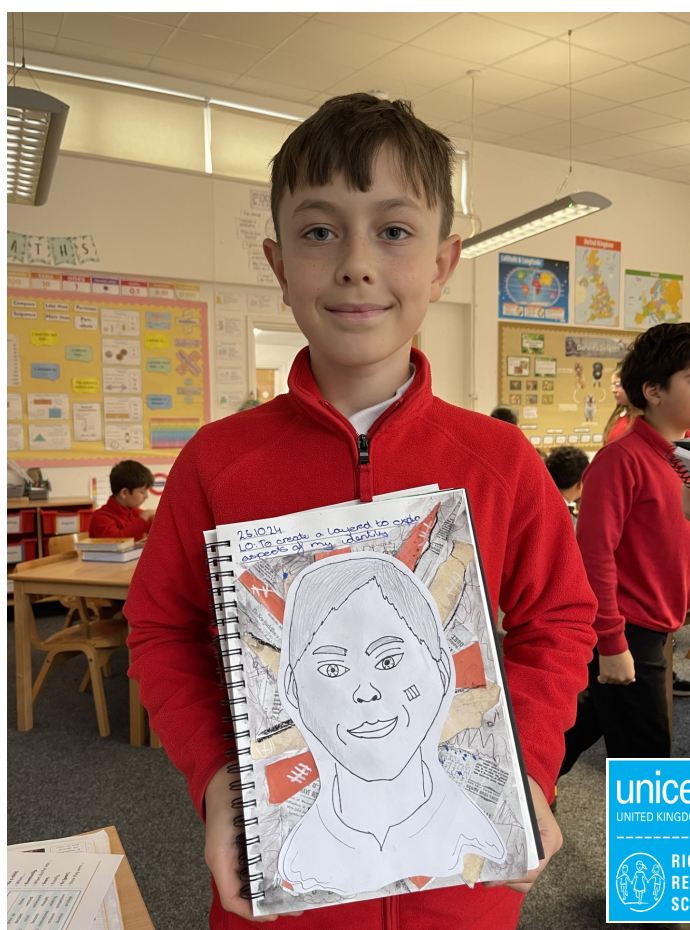
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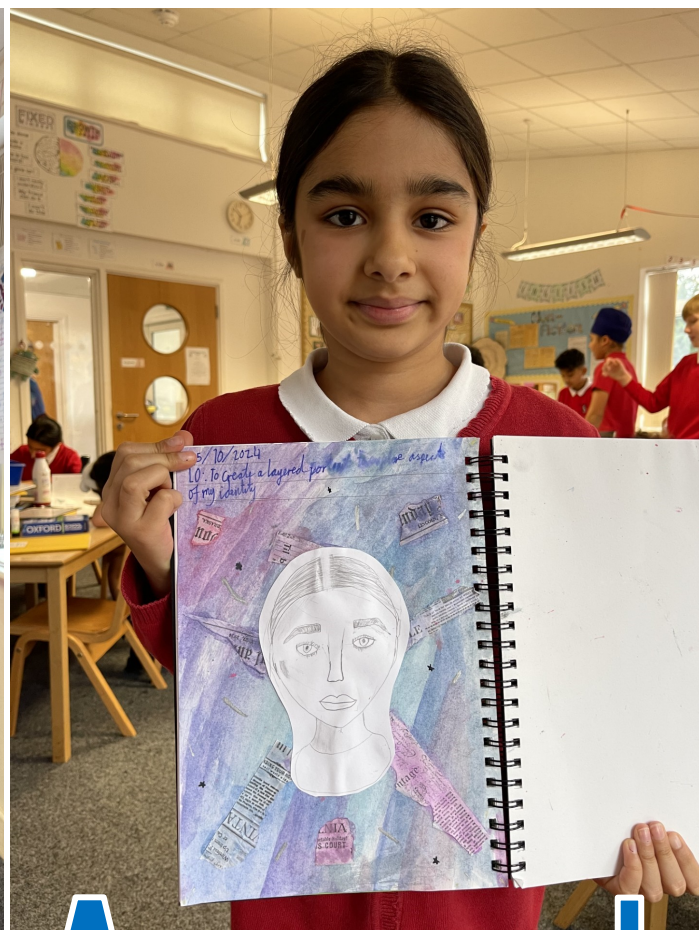
Pupils used their drama skills to perform the poem, using tone, pitch and expression to build a sense of tension as the poem rises to its climax—the death of the highway man as he races to the inn where Bess is waiting for him.



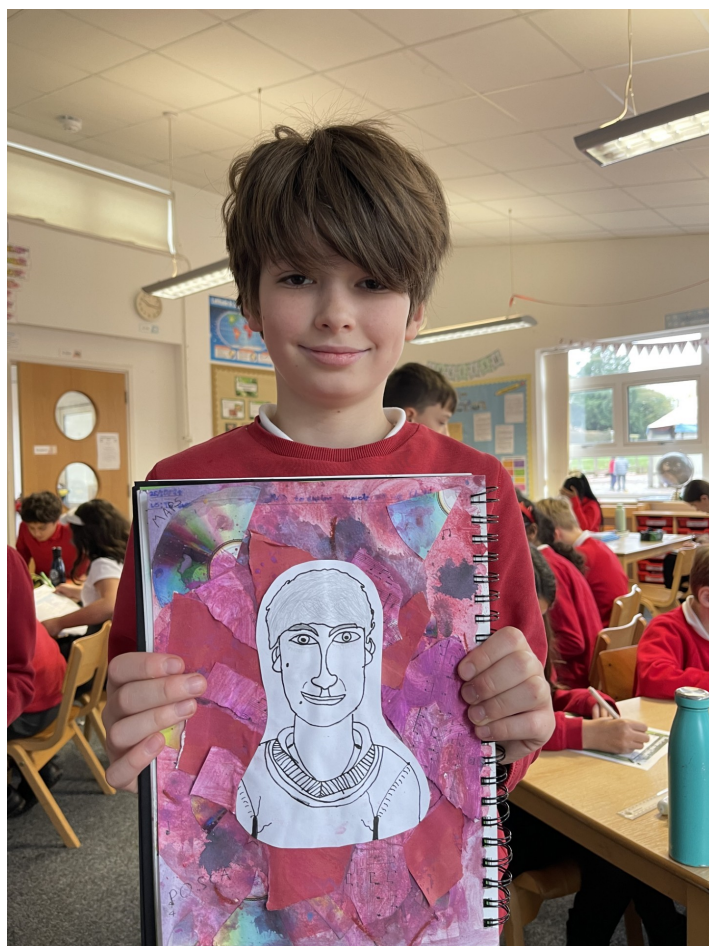
Year Six Artwork

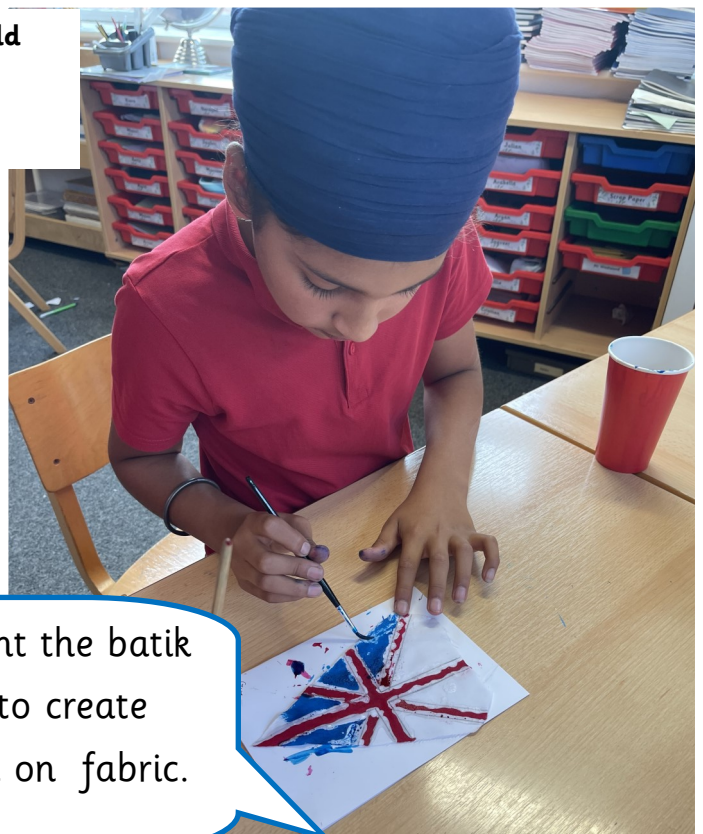
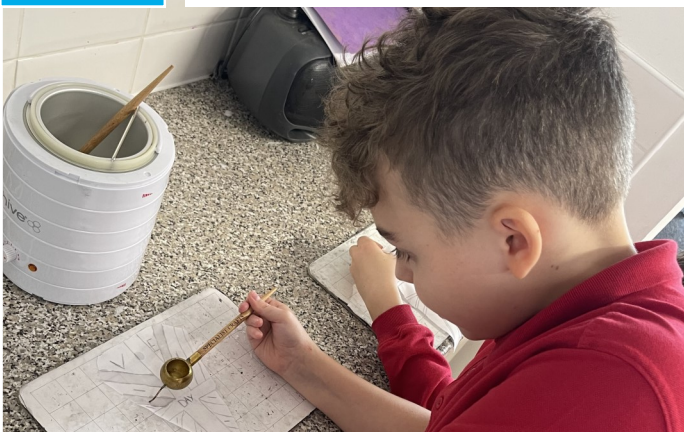
Year Six have made preparatory sketches of themselves in readiness for a larger self-portrait. They created a dynamic background for their sketches using mixed media.





Year Six Artwork





Before the half-term holiday, Y6 learnt the batik technique. Batik uses a wax resist to create colourful images and patterns, often on fabric.

Year Six Batik



Children made batik, Union Jack bunting for their WW2 street party. They invited their Reception buddies to the party. Great fun!

Sparkling Fun



In the spirit of bonfire night, this week in Forest School we tried our hand at sparklers! Sparklers are fun and exciting, but this was also a great opportunity to learn about the dangers of fire and how we must properly prepare ourselves in order to manage the risk involved.

The children were briefed about how hot sparklers can get and the damage they can cause if they came into contact with anyone. We worked as a team to clear an area of leaves and other flammable debris then set up a safe perimeter for others to watch from. The children had to wear a flame-resistant glove that covered the full length of their arm before the sparkler could be lit, and a bucket of water was kept close by to extinguish the sparkler if needed and place the still hot remains once the sparkler went out. An adult with their own flame-resistant glove stood by to monitor at all times. Once the sparklers were lit, the children had to hold them away from their body to avoid any hot sparks flying onto them.

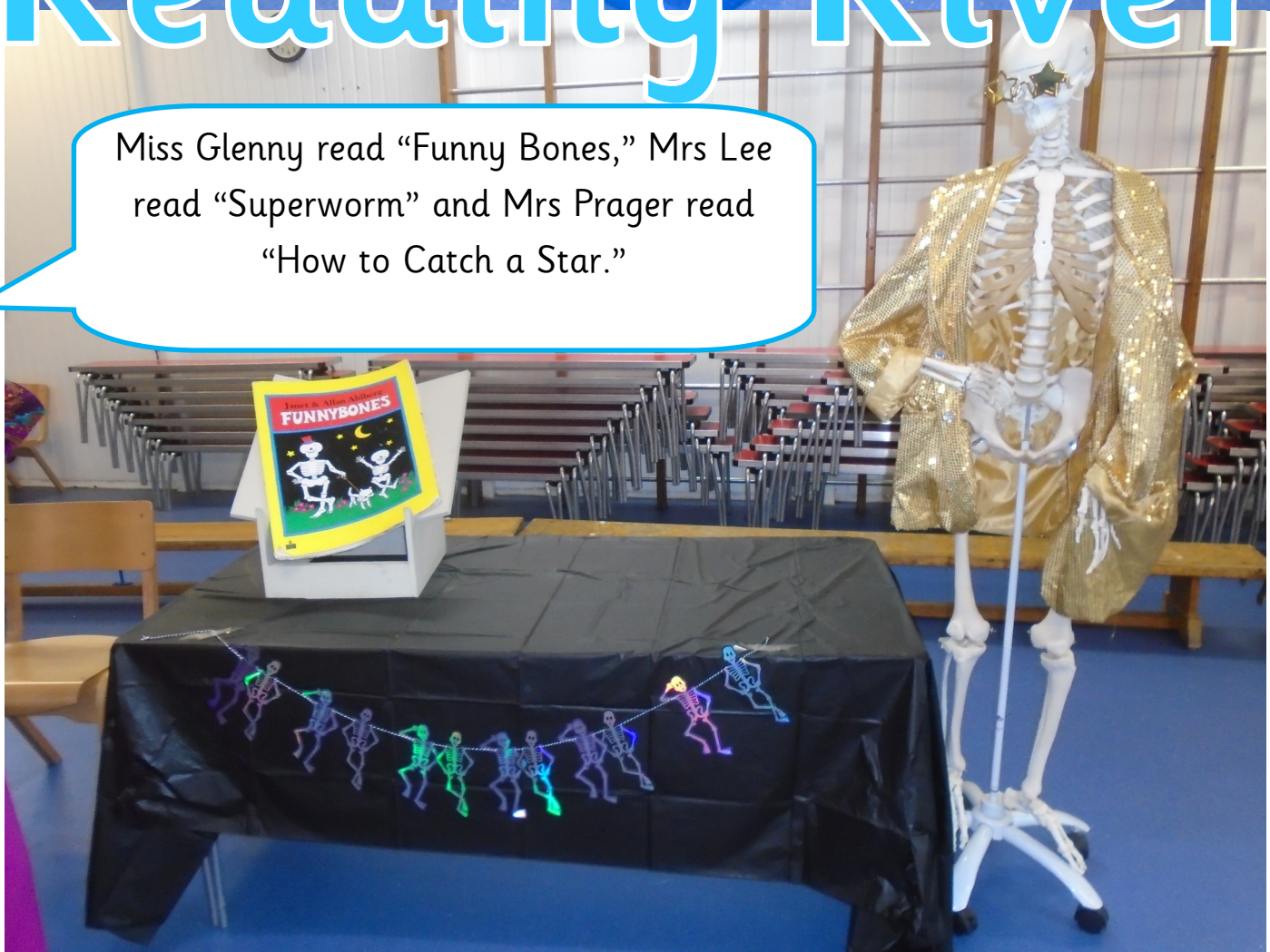
Please ensure that any activities involving sparklers, fireworks or any other flame are done in a controlled environment with water and a trusted adult close by! That way you too can have as much fun as this group of children did.



On Thursday, Kingfisher pupils and parents came together to listen to some stories.

Reading River

Miss Glenney read "Funny Bones," Mrs Lee read "Superworm" and Mrs Prager read "How to Catch a Star."

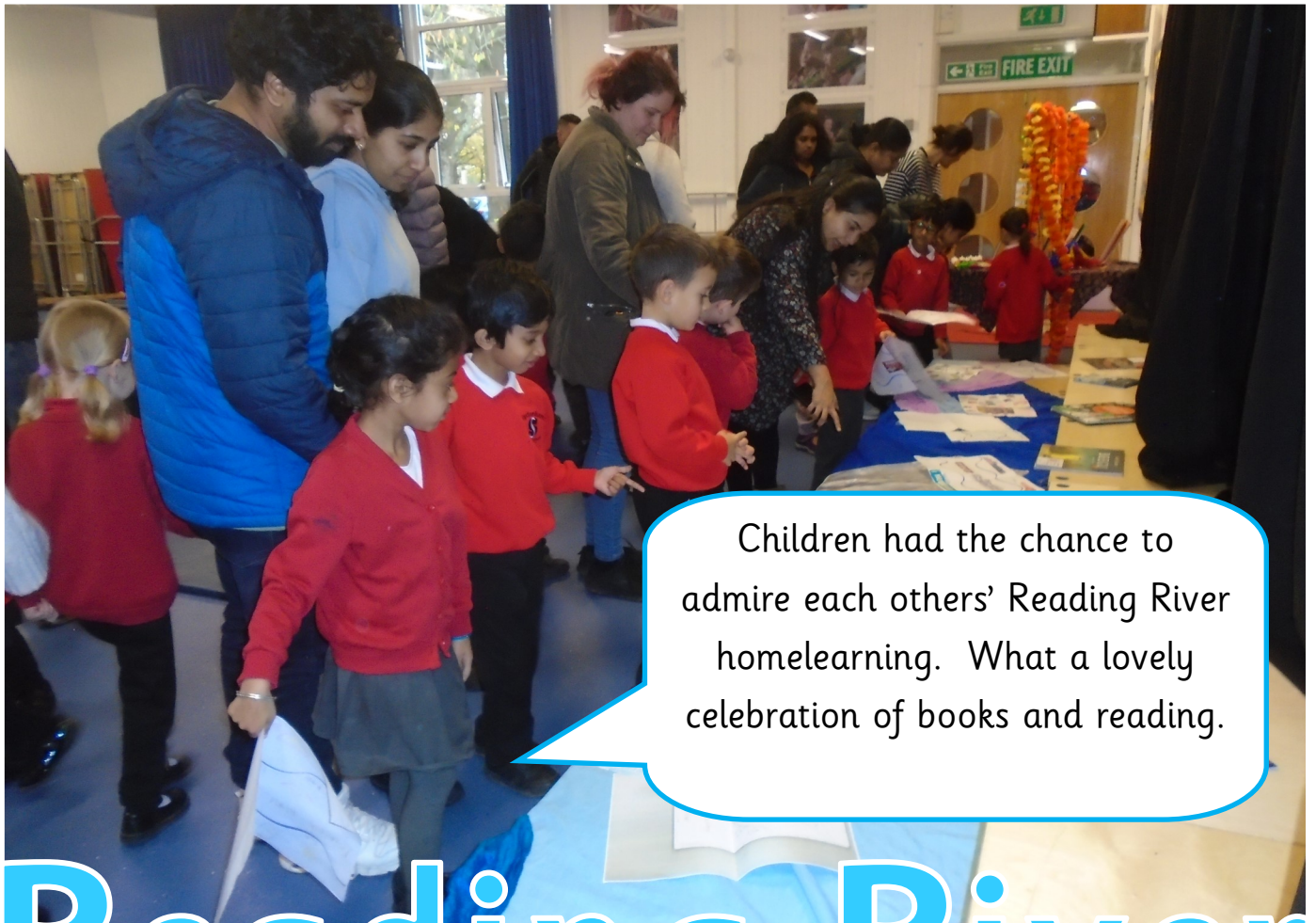




The hall was decorated to match each story and there was a raffle to win a book.

Reading River





Children had the chance to admire each others' Reading River homelearning. What a lovely celebration of books and reading.

Reading River



CHRISTMAS JUMPER COLLECTION

**Do you have any outgrown or unwanted
Seasonal or Christmas jumpers?**

**Drop them at the collection box in the school office!
Children's & Adults sizes are welcomed.**



**We will hold a jumper sale before the holidays, all
proceeds go to the PTA to help fund new resources
for school.**

**Festive drinks & snacks will also be available,
more details to come!**

Grab a bargain & help reduce clothing waste !



Please donate clean, re-sellable items



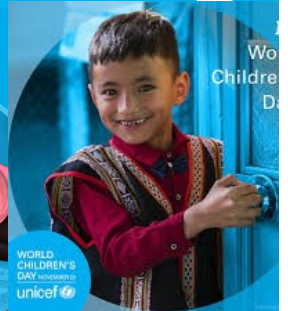
World Children's Day

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It's World
Children's Day!

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Listen to the future! Join us on **Wednesday 20th November** to stand up for children's rights.

World Children's Day is UNICEF's annual day of action for children, by children, marking the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child on 20th November 1989.

We will be celebrating this day in school with a range of activities that teach children about their rights and encourage them to raise their voice on issues that affect them.

We will also be fundraising for Unicef by encouraging all pupils to **come to school wearing something blue**. If you're able, please donate £1.00 to Unicef via ParentPay.

**WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD
RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL**



**Children's rights are learned, understood
and lived in this school.**



World Children's Day



To mark this special occasion, we will be buying every class a special Paddington Bear Unicef advent calendar to enjoy during December.

Only by fulfilling and protecting the rights of every child, — including children's social, economic, cultural, civil and political rights — can we ensure a better future for all . Please support us by joining in.



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Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 45: Advice and Assistance on Children's Rights.



KS2 Theatre Trip

Join Dick and his trusty cat on an exciting quest to see if the streets of London really are paved with gold. Can Dick find love, can his faithful feline rid London of King Rat and his hordes of little rats, and will his dream of becoming Mayor of London ever come true? There's only one way to find out!

Years Three and Four will be visiting the Belgrade Theatre in Coventry on Wednesday 27th November to watch a morning performance of the pantomime, "Dick Whittington." Years Five and Six will watch an afternoon show on Thursday 28th November.

The cost of this trip is £21.08. Please log on to your ParentPay account to make your payment. There will be more details closer to the trip.

Dick Whittington

YR/1/2 Theatre Trip



Soar into space for your festive family treat with this exciting adaptation of the award-winning book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler – as seen in the popular 2022 BBC TV Christmas animation.

On a far-off planet, Smeds and Smoos can't be friends. So, when a young Smed and Smoo fall in love and zoom off into space together, how will their families get them back?

Music, laughs and interplanetary adventures for everyone aged 3 and up, from Tall Stories – the company that brought you The Gruffalo and Room on the Broom live on stage.

Reception, Year One and Year Two will be visiting Warwick Arts Centre on Monday 9th December to watch a morning performance of "The Smeds and The Smoos." The cost of this trip is £17.42 Please log on to your ParentPay account to make your payment. There will be more details closer to the trip.

The Smeds and the Smoos

Christmas Lunch

Roast Turkey

**Cocktail Sausage, Stuffing Ball with
Gravy [G.SU]**

or

**[vg] Roast Quorn Fillet, Veggie Sausage,
Stuffing Ball with Gravy [G]**

**Served with Crispy Roast Potatoes, Garden
Peas, and Sliced Carrots**

[vg.h] Christmas Cracknel [G.SU]

or

[vg.h] Christmas Shortbread[G]

Christmas lunch will be on Tuesday
10th December. The office will be
contacting parents and carers soon to
explain how you can sign your child
up for the special lunch.

Allergen Key
V - Vegetarian
VG - Vegan
D - Dairy
G - Gluten
SB - Soya
SU - Sulphites
H - Homemade



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

190
DAYS
100%



183
DAYS
96%



179
DAYS
94%



175
DAYS
92%



More than
18 days
absence less
than 90%



ABSENCE = LOST OPPORTUNITY



Did You Know... ?

If Your Child's Attendance During the School Year...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

was 95%	9 Days from School	50 Lessons
was 90%	19 Days from School	100 Lessons
was 85%	29 Days from School	150 Lessons
was 80%	38 Days from School	200 Lessons
was 75%	48 Days from School	250 Lessons

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters

COME & TRY

Netball

For girls in years 4, 5 & 6

LEAMINGTON NETBALL. SUPER SKILLS

TUESDAYS | 6PM | LEAMINGTON NETBALL CLUB

Ready. Net. Go!



CONTACT JESS ON 07368 289466 TO REGISTER



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LATENESS

What this means for your child...

*Bad start to the day
Missed Information
Different from Peers
Am I in Trouble?
Feel Responsible*

*Confusion
Anxiety
Worry
Upset
Embarrassment*



**BE SURE TO GET INTO
SCHOOL ON TIME!**

**Our school day starts at
8.55am**

- * 5 minutes lateness per day = up to 1 whole DAY missed every TERM.
- * 15 minutes lateness per day = 2 whole WEEKS missed every YEAR.
- * 50 minutes late once a week = 1 whole DAY missed EVERY HALF Term
- * 50 minutes late ONCE a week = 1 whole WEEK missed every YEAR.
- * 50 minutes late every week = 90% attendance over a year.

Diary Dates

Monday 11th November	Road Safety Week and Y5/6 Bikeability.
Tuesday 12th November	KS1 Family Learning session, 1.50—3.20pm
Thursday 14th November	Y1 Puffins, Reading River, 9.30—10.00am.
Tuesday 19th November	KS1 Family Learning session, 1.50—3.20pm
Wednesday 20th November	Y5 Woodpeckers assembly at 9.05am. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend.
Wednesday 20th November	Wear blue for Unicef World Children's Day.
Monday 25th November	YR trip to Compton Verney.
Tuesday 26th November	YR and Y6 height and weight checks.
Tuesday 26th November	KS1 Family Learning session, 1.50—3.20pm
Wednesday 27th November	Y3 and Y4 visit the Belgrade Theatre to watch "Dick Whittington." pantomime, "Dick Whittington."
Thursday 28th November	Y5 and Y6 visit the Belgrade Theatre to watch Dick Whittington.
Thursday 28th November	Emotion Coaching workshop for Reception parents, 2.15—3.15pm.
Thursday 28th November	Christmas decorations go up in the hall.
Friday 29th November	Black Hole Planetarium comes to school for Y1.
Friday 29th November	MUFTI (non-uniform) Day. If your child wears their own choice of clothes, please donate at least 50p via ParentPay. All money raised will support the local charity, Parenting Project.

Diary Dates

Monday 2nd December	School closed for INSET (In-Service training.) Children back at school on Tuesday 3rd December.
Wednesday 4th December	Reception Nativity at 9.30am. Families are warmly invited to attend.
Monday 9th December	YR, Y1 and Y2 visit Warwick Arts' Centre to watch "The Smeds and The Smoos."
Tuesday 10th December	Christmas lunch.
Wednesday 11th December	KS1 Christmas concert at 9.30am.
Thursday 12th December	Y3/4 Christmas concert at 2.15pm.
Thursday 12th December	Y6 visit to St Mary's church.
Friday 13th December	Y5/6 Christmas concert at 2.15pm.
Monday 16th December	Rock Steady concert at 2.15pm.
Tuesday 17th December	Winter Craft session—sign up via Parent Pay.
Friday 20th December	Christmas MUFTI—come to school in a festive jumper or outfit. If your child wears their own choice of clothes, please donate at least 50p via ParentPay. All money raised will support the local charity, Parenting Project.
Monday 23rd December—Friday 3rd January, school closed for the Christmas holiday.	
Monday January 6th 2025, School closed for INSET (In Service Training.) Children return to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025	

Diary Dates



Sydenham Superstars



YR and Key Stage One

Have a nice weekend.

Best wishes from Miss
Glenny



Key Stage Two