

# Y2 Making Waves

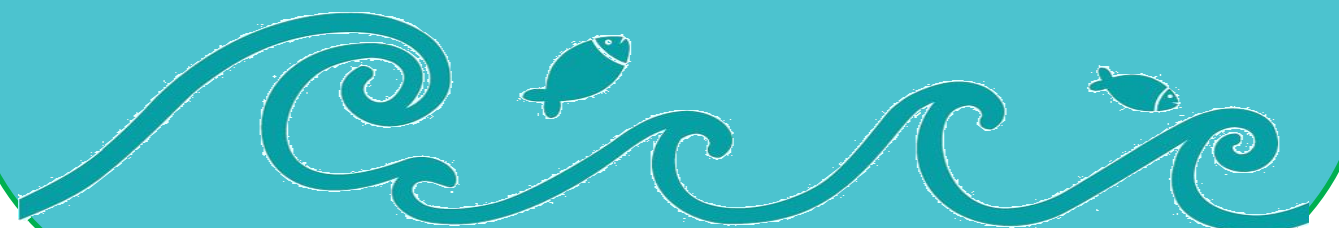


UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture



Year Two have been learning all about waves as part of their topic, "Coastline." Pupils studied different artistic representations of waves before working in oil pastel to create their own pictures of the ocean.



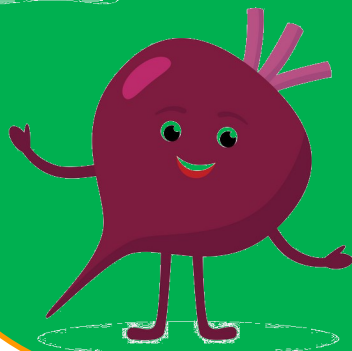
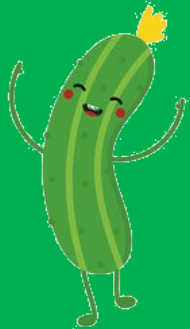
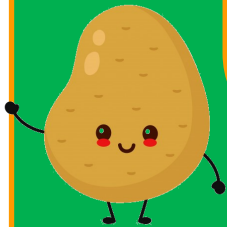


Pupils used mixed media (acrylic, water colour, charcoal, oil pastel) to capture the ENERGY of the waves.





# Vegtastic Learning!



Reception have been exploring their vegtastic topic 'Are Carrots Orange?' Pupils played 'What am I?' by trying to guess what fruit or vegetable was hiding in a bag. They also wrote their own label for tinned food, drew a picture of their family at mealtime and followed instructions to make their own fruit kebab.

During busy learning the children made some crazy vegetable characters from carrots and potatoes! After school, when everybody went home, these naughty characters came out to play as you can see from the photographs.







# Fruity Fun



Reception have been following instructions.

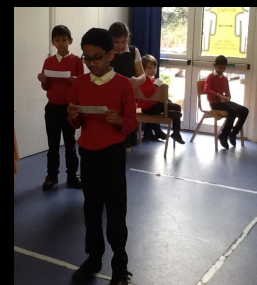


They made delicious fruit kebabs.





# The Taming of the Shrew



Year 4 have been exploring Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew." Pupils thought about the themes, plot and characters in the text and had fun making freeze frames and working with excerpts from the text.



# Y4 Science



In Science, Y4 have been finding out about dental hygiene. Two eggs were placed overnight in vinegar. One was coated in fluoride toothpaste whilst the other was not. The egg covered in toothpaste survived well but the shell on the other had dissolved. This shows how brushing our teeth can keep them healthy.



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Article 29: Goals of Education



# In Praise of Poetry

## Poems: The Legend

Poems, poems, always poems that take us to another world.

Expressing our feelings through our thoughts and ideas.

Poems can be about making us laugh, making us smile and making us cry.

Writing amazing poems makes us feel calm and proud.

Poems—you are a magnificent gift so that we can share our experience of life and the beautiful things around us.

Poems are the best and it makes us say, “Poems, you are a legend!”

**By Tayyaba (Y3)**

**Sydenham Primary School Poet Laureate**





# Congratulations!



Well done to Jake, the winner of our Festive Word Trail. Jake's prize is a £25.00 Amazon voucher. We hope you choose yourself something nice, Jake.

If you would like to be a winner, look out for more competitions to enter in the future.

## Parking

We have received two complaints this week about parking—one from a parent and the other from a local resident.

As mentioned in the newsletter of 12th April, please park within the law and remember to show consideration to the needs of pedestrians and local residents.

Please avoid mounting the pavement or blocking drives. Where possible walk, scoot or cycle to school or park further away from school and then walk.

Both incidents have been reported to the police by the complainants. We urge anybody who sees illegal parking to do the same.





# Easter Egg Raffle

Win a delicious, chocolate Easter egg by joining in our raffle!

Pay 50p on Parent Pay to enter—there will be a winner in each class. The draw will take place on Thursday 1st April and eggs will be sent home that day. Good luck!





# KENILWORTH SATURDAY ART CLUB REOPENS 24TH APRIL

**Primary School Class**  
**1.15pm to 2.45pm - followed by Secondary**  
**Kenilworth Old High Street**  
**Parochial Hall**

£16 per session



**INSTAGRAM**  
**KENILWORTHARTCLUB**



**TO CHECK CLASS**  
**AVAILABILITY, PLEASE CONTACT**  
**JULIE SOMMERVILLE**  
**07968 031831/**  
**KENILWORTHARTCLUB@OUTLOOK.COM**

**JULIE IS EXPERIENCED IN TEACHING ART,**  
**FULLY DBS CHECKED AND IS A MASTERS**  
**POSTGRADUATE IN PAINTING**







**£10  
PER DAY**

**£8 PER  
SIBLING**

# EASTER HOLIDAY CAMP

LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE.

**TUES 6TH - FRI 9TH  
APRIL**

**10AM - 2PM**

**THE SYDNI CENTRE,  
LEAMINGTON, CV31 1PT**

**BOOK YOUR PLACES:**

**[info@pifoundation.co.uk](mailto:info@pifoundation.co.uk)**

**POSITIVE  
IMPACT**  
Foundation



**AGES  
5 - 12**

**All camp staff have an up to date DBS and a minimum L3 qualification and follow strict COVID-19 policies & procedures.**

**\*FREE places available for FSM & HAF Programme.\***



## Family Bread Making



A **free** 5 week course for families.

Thursdays 10:00-11:00 starting 29th April 2021

Join us to learn how to make different types of bread and to deepen your understanding of how this family activity can support learning and development.

For more information, contact Jan:

JanLennon@warwickshire.gov.uk or 01926 736390

### Family Learning

Warwickshire Adult and Community Learning

Book a place: [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/acl](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/acl)—'Our Courses'

## Adult and Community Learning: Family Learning Understanding Your Child's Behaviour



Fully researched, evidence-based approach to supporting behaviour

Activities to enable you to support your child's development and behaviour

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For parents of children aged 0-12 years old



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10 x 2 hour sessions, spread across one school term

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With Jan Lennon, Catherine West and Tanya Speirs

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The Solihull Approach

For more details, or to book a place, email Tanya:  
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## Soothing Sacks Wellbeing for Children

**Free 5 week online course**  
Choose either:

**Thursday 29th April 1.00pm - 2.30pm**  
**Or Thursday 10th June 1.00pm - 2.30pm**

During this period of change and uncertainty many children  
are experiencing anxiety and stress and this is impacting on  
their health and wellbeing.

This 5 week course is designed to give parent/carers the  
knowledge and skills to support their children and boost their  
happiness and wellbeing

**Resources will be provided to create a wellbeing toolkit**

If you would like to attend, use the QR code or link below and choose Family  
Learning:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/adultlearningandtrainingcourses>



If you require any further information please  
email: [katrinamcdade@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:katrinamcdade@warwickshire.gov.uk)  
[cheryl.neil@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:cheryl.neil@warwickshire.gov.uk)





# Are you facing financial hardship because of the pandemic?

The Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme can help you if you are struggling to access food and energy.

The scheme helps people in crisis by offering emergency support and putting them in touch with services who can offer longer term help.



You are not alone, call today on  
0800 4081448 or 01926 359182 to  
discuss your circumstances with a  
friendly advisor.

[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/  
facinghardship](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/facinghardship)



# Other Information

## **Easter Egg Raffle**

Thank you so much for the many entries we have received for our Easter Egg Raffle. We have purchased one Easter Egg for each class and the raffle will be drawn on Thursday 1 April .

If you have not already done so, please log in to Parentpay to be in with a chance to win one of our delicious Eggs. One ticket costs 50p but you can enter more than once if you wish . Please note that if you are purchasing more than one ticket, enter the amount in parent pay as 50p and then the quantity of tickets you wish to purchase. Parent pay will then calculate the amount for you to pay. *(Please check this amount is correct before you pay.)*

## **MUFTI Day**

We have added today's MUFTI as a payment item in Parent Pay. We hope this makes it more convenient for you to donate to our School Fund as not all of you will carry cash. If you have more than one child at our school, please visit each child's account to make the payment as we have set the payment amount to 50p.

Parent Pay do charge a payment service fee for each payment made to them. This means we will not achieve the full 50p donation so this is a trial for this month's MUFTI day . You can of course continue to donate in cash if this suits you . We are more than happy to receive your thoughts and comments on your preferred payment method

## **Parent Pay**

Parent Pay now offers a "bank transfer" facility. Please bear in mind that if you use this option your payment can take up to 10 working days to reach us. We will not be able to issue any refunds or make any adjustments until this payment has cleared . Please also bear in mind that as the payment can take a while to reach us, for the payment to be successful you must have the funds in your account on the day it arrives with us not on the day you make the bank transfer. We are always happy to make refunds and/or adjustments for families that have made an error with their payments but please bear in mind the above. We do find that if you use any of the alternative payment methods in parent pay other than "bank transfer" we are able to offer a far more efficient refund or adjustment service to you

## **Diary Dates**

Thursday 1st April 2021	Easter egg winners announced.
Thursday 1st April 2021	Last day of the Spring Term.
Friday 2nd April 2021	Good Friday—school closed for a public holiday.

### **Monday 5th April—Friday 16th April school closed for the Easter holiday**

Monday 19th April 2021	Pupils return to school for the Summer Term.
Monday May 3rd 2021	May Day—school closed for a public holiday.
Monday May 24th 2021	Class photographs.

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

Monday 7th June 2021	INSET Day—school closed for teacher training.
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# Sydenham Superstars

## YR LS

**Moneek** is the YR LS superstar. Moneek has made brilliant progress in phonics and shown a fantastic attitude to maths. She is a wonderful role model for other children and should be very proud of herself.

## YR HC

**Toma** has been chosen as class superstar for his super learning in phonics. Toma is an enthusiastic learner who wants to do well. Keep it up, Toma!

## Y1 EL

The Y1 EL superstar is **Lilybelle**. Lilybelle has worked hard to keep her handwriting neat and well formed throughout longer pieces of writing. She has also made a super effort to be independent in all areas of her learning. Well done!

## Y1 CD

The class superstar this week is **Luke**. Luke has followed all of the school rules and shown lovely manners. He has worked hard and been a fantastic talk partner. You're a star, Luke!

## Y2 RK

Miss Knight's superstar is **Alona**, for her intense concentration and imagination in her artwork. Also for teaching the class a little Russian and for never giving up. Well done!

## Y2 CP

Miss Peters has chosen **Joseph** as superstar. Joseph has shown a brilliant attitude to his learning this week. He has taken a real pride in his work and really concentrated on his presentation which is beautiful. Joseph has confidently shared his ideas and used the vocabulary the class talked about in their reading lessons.

## Y3 JL

Mr Lee's superstar this week is **Ruhma**. Ruhma is making great progress with her mental maths and handwriting. She is always kind and tolerant and is becoming more confident at sharing her ideas as each week goes by. Keep up the good work, Ruhma!



# Sydenham Superstars

## Y3 CR

**Meena** is the 3CR Superstar this week. Meena comes to school every day with a lovely, sunny optimism which brightens up the classroom! She has a wonderful attitude to learning and is working incredibly hard. Well done Meena

## Y4 SM

The Y4 SM superstar is **Keva**. Keva is an incredibly kind and caring girl who brings enthusiasm and a love of learning to the classroom every day. Keva is a joy to teach and should be very proud of herself.

## Y4 AH

Mr Hawes would like to choose **Jevan** as his superstar for this week. Jevan has been fantastically engaged in his learning of the Shakespearian play *Taming of the Shrew*. He has demonstrated excellent insight into some of the play's underlying themes and issues and has contributed well in class. In addition, he did an excellent job of directing his group when performing their scene of the play by using expression, actions and projecting his voice into his performance. Well done, Jevan!

## Y5 CB

Miss Ball has chosen **Anant** as superstar for a brilliant first week at school. Anant has settled straight in and made friends with everybody. His behaviour is perfect and he's been confident enough to share his ideas and read his learning aloud. What a super start to life at Sydenham.

## Y5 JE

**Rajveer** has been chosen as superstar for his fabulous minibeast presentation. Rajveer chose to work on his presentation independently as his talk partner was away. He shared it with the rest of the class with confidence, using lots of expression when he spoke. Great job!

## Y6 JvS

**Bram** is the Y6 JvS superstar this week for his amazing maths skills. Bram solved a very complicated fractions problem in class using high level mathematical reasoning. His classmates were wowed by his expertise! Well done, Bram.

## Y6 KG

Miss Gillespie would like to choose **Ella** as this week's superstar. Ella is such a kind girl who demonstrates great empathy towards others. During a discussion about the children's hopes for the future, Ella's wish was that everyone else's dreams would come true. You're a true superstar Ella.

**Have a great weekend.**

**Best wishes from Miss Glenny.**